



Dear Parents,

Welcome back! Hope you have all had a rested Easter break and are ready for the new term. Before we think about the up and coming events of the Summer term, I would just like to mention our 'Aspire to Be Future Me' event. The last week before the holidays we launched our very first 'Aspire to Be Future Me' day. This was organised by Miss Leonard and our School Council Team. The idea derived from our value of Aspiration. The children were thinking of ways to drive the value to encourage us to think about aiming high to be the best we can be now and in the future. Children were encouraged to think about their future careers and dress accordingly. As always, the community fully supported this and the children really thought carefully about which jobs they would like to do. To further support this, we had parent volunteers in the afternoon, providing exciting and informative presentations to give the children insight into what is involved. We had a fantastic range, which I have listed overleaf, and the children were able to choose two career presentations to attend. I had the privilege of popping into all of the talks, which were just brilliant. The buzz around school was fantastic and speaking to the children, all had an amazing time. I even managed to get my photograph taken on the police motorbike! We are hoping that this will continue to evolve and grow into an annual event. I would like to give a special thanks to Miss Leonard and the School Council for organising this. It was a wonderful experience and once again demonstrated aspiration in action.

We have a busy half term coming up. This time is particularly important for Year 6, as, with the rest of the country, they prepare to sit their end of KS2 SATs. The children have arrived back to school refreshed and ready to do their very best. Please ensure that the children get plenty of rest over this period and that they attend every day.

As always, if you have a query about your child, the best person to initially contact is the class teacher. If you feel you need to speak to someone more senior, please contact the phase leaders. The phase leaders know their departments well and share information at senior leader meetings with myself and Mr Coombs.

Thank you for your on-going support,

Mrs Bettany  
Headteacher



### Fun in the Sun

We are finally starting to feel warmer weather and are hoping for a good summer to allow the children to play in the sun. Please remember to send in water bottles, hats and apply suncream in the morning to keep our children well protected. Also, this is a time when children may need medication for hayfever. On advice, school are only allowed to administer medication prescribed by a doctor. However, you are able to administer the medication before school and after.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

### Save the Date!

Our Summer Fayre this year, organised by our PTFA, will be held on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June from 11am -2pm

### Fish n Quiz

We have a Fish n Quiz for adults organised for Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May from 7pm - 10pm  
All Welcome!

Together we learn. Together we grow.

### Enjoyment

Our focus this half term is our value of enjoyment. I launched the half term with an assembly on Monday morning. This thought about all the additional learning opportunities the children at Leasowes were able to take part in last term and how such experiences drive & consolidate learning. This was a phenomenal list. We finished with a presentation of photographs of children having fun whilst they learn.

Woody has been working really hard on his writing at home and has written so much over the holiday. He now says that he really enjoys writing stories and diary entries. A future author in our midst! Keep up the great work.



### Career Opportunities

As stated overleaf, I wanted to share the list of career presentations ran by our parents and volunteers at our 'Aspire to Be Future Me' day. We had: Paramedic, Probation Officer, Civil Servant, Teacher, National Crime Agency, Dance Teacher, Working Abroad (Disney World), Quantity Surveyor, Fireman, Architect, Musicians, Nurse, Physicist, Video Game Designer, Retired Police Officer and Wedding Car Hire, Police Motorcyclist, Hospitality, Physiotherapist, Footballer and Football Manager. Wow! No wonder it was an absolutely fantastic day. Thank you so much for all the support and lovely comments we have received.

### Dads Defib Challenge

DDchallenge is a fundraising initiative set up by Andy Middleton and his son Charlie. Charlie is in reception and the initiative has been set up in response to a request for fundraising for a defibrillator for Leasowes Primary School. As the title suggests it is designed to encourage other dads and family members to be as active and participate as much as they would like in reaching the goal.

Andy will be raising funds by completing various activities including cycling, walking and climbing. There will also be competitions and activities which will involve the children. A 'just giving' page has been set up:

[www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/dadsdefibchallenge](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/dadsdefibchallenge)

A website is also available,  
[www.ddchallenge.co.uk](http://www.ddchallenge.co.uk)

A total of £1400 is our aim which will be enough to purchase a Medina A15 Heart On Defibrillator and provide training to all staff. Please keep an eye on social media and on the website and check your emails for updates and info of how you can all get involved.

Thankyou for your help and support, let's work together and make this happen.

