



Together we learn. Together we grow.

Dear Parents,

We have had a great start to the Summer term and the weather has certainly been good to us this last few weeks. It is really important to keep hydrated in the hot weather and we have water fountains available to every year group. Please ensure a water bottle is sent in daily so that the children can access water when they need to.

We are always extremely proud of all our students at Leasowes and this week is no exception. One of our pupils, Imani, has been thinking about how she could help people in the community. Imani has written a letter to Jeremy Lefroy, Member of Parliament for the Stafford Constituency, to ask for help in providing a community fridge in Stafford market. She would like people to be able to donate food they do not need, so that others less fortunate can have a healthy meal. Imani has been saving her pocket money to pay for the fridge but is asking for support with a location and unveiling. Mr Lefroy has replied, thanking Imani for her kind suggestion and put her in touch with our local Councillor and Governor, Ann Edgeller. It is wonderful that Imani is thinking of others and would like to make a difference to people's lives. Courage and respect in action! Watch this space to see if Imani manages to get the project up and running; we wish her the best of luck.

As you are all aware, Health and Safety, along with safeguarding, is always the highest priority at Leasowes. We have recently received a full Health and Safety Audit, which we have been striving towards for the past 18 months. I am thrilled to announce that through the audit, Leasowes was moved from a grade 2 to a grade 5. This is the highest rating possible and demonstrates our embedded culture across the school. I would like to thank all staff, Governors and our pupil 'Safety First' Team.

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

## Safety First!



## Community Fridge

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### Walk to School Week!

This year's national 'Walk to school' week campaign takes place from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May. We would really like as many children as possible to join in with this 'get active' initiative. The teachers will be talking to the children about walking to school during lessons next week and reminding them about road safety.

### Social Media Update

We are aware that some of our students are active on WhatsApp. Just to let you know that WhatsApp has updated their terms and conditions and announced that the new age limit has increased from 13 to 16 years of age.



### Football Success!

Once again, the annual six a side football competition held at Leasowes was a huge success. This year, we decided to hold the event over three consecutive days. Over these days, over 340 children competed for their schools. This year, not only was the competition successful, but so were our very own Leasowes footballers. On the Wednesday evening, the Year 6 got through to the finals, only to be beaten in the semis by Oakridge, who went on to win on the day. The next day, Year 5 went one further and made it to the final, finishing as runners up to Barnfields. On the Friday, we yet again went one further and won the Year 4 competition by beating Parkside in the final that went to a nail biting penalty shootout. Over the three days, Leasowes were the only team to make it to the finals in each competition. Well done to all involved, and a special mention to the PTFA, who gave up their time to put on refreshments over the three days, raising a whopping £380.

### 'Health Mind: Healthy Body'

Here at Leasowes we are always striving to improve our practice. This year we have been thinking carefully about how we can support pupil well-being. For the first time we will be introducing a 'Healthy Mind: Healthy Body' event. This event will take place on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, and will tie in with the school's Outdoor Learning Day. The event will start at 2:45pm with a whole-school family assembly on the Key Stage 2 Playground. There will be a plethora of activities to try like: cosmic yoga, street dance, cricket, Forest Schools, construction, healthy food creation, first aid and many more. Please make sure that children are appropriately dressed for outdoor learning day and the event that follows. We are hoping that this will be a great success and have many more to follow. Thank you to Mrs Wood and Mrs Moores for organising such an exciting event.

### Leasowes Extra

There are some exciting activities taking place in the before and after school provision during this term. The Early Years pupils are taking part in a range of activities around the theme of transport and holidays. In addition, they are also having messy play themed nights exploring a range of textures including slime, ice chalk, cloud dough and moon sand. Over in KS1/2, the activities are themed around the topic Spring and new life. They have their very own butterfly farm which allows them to observe the life cycle, from egg to butterfly. We currently have limited availability in both settings. If you wish to make an enquiry please contact Mrs Caven: email: [extra@leasowes.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:extra@leasowes.staffs.sch.uk) Tel: 01785 337375.