



Dear Parents,

Finally, the weather is starting to change and this week we have seen a glimmer of sunshine. Children have been able to enjoy the field and our beautiful surroundings. As the signs of summer approach, this means that we do have to be 'sun aware'. Please send your child with a sun hat and apply sun cream before they come into school. Water bottles are needed daily and we have plenty of water fountains around school to make sure that these are refilled - Article 24 of the Convention of the Rights of the Child.

Over the last year, the limited access to school and use of remote learning has made so many schools and businesses rethink the ways in which we work. Some new routines have been an asset to the functioning of school e.g. arrangements have been put into place to enable children in Reception and Year one to be served hot lunches in the KS1 hall, via the purchase of a hot trolley. They are in familiar surroundings which also supports a smoother transition within the locality of their own toilets and playground. But there are some practices that we will be glad to end. Reaching prospective new parents has been tricky during these times so we have been busy thinking of ways this can be achieved that will futureproof the school. Therefore, at the beginning of this week we have had a company in school capturing all of the great experiences, opportunities and teaching and learning that takes place at Leasowes to create a digital prospectus. This will be available on the school website in the coming weeks. There will be many familiar faces and visitors will be able to get a snapshot of life at Leasowes. Watch this space and I will send out the link via the newsletter for you all to peruse.

As you are fully aware, the Leasowes Library Hub is our pride and joy. As one of our fundraising projects, we have created a wish list of books that we would like to purchase for our children to have full access to. There are two ways to donate: either through 'Peters' where money can be donated or 'Amazon' where you can choose to buy a specific book for school. We are so grateful for all of the donations that we have received so far. I have signposted overleaf our progress to date. We have until 7th June 2021 to raise as much money or purchase the rich texts that our children deserve. If you feel that you could support school then please use the links below. In addition to these donations, we have received a phenomenal number of donated books in immaculate condition. Thank you!

[Library Donation](#)

[Library Wishlist](#)

This week Mr Rock has been supporting the professional development of future Primary Teachers by introducing them to Forest Schools. On Monday two groups received the full experience due to poor weather conditions, whereas other groups were more fortunate. The groups were introduced to shelter building, slack lines, fire building to name a few. Once again, with our amazing grounds, we are so fortunate that here at Leasowes our children have access to this provision led by fully trained staff. Experiences to remember.

As always, it is really important that we communicate effectively with you about your children. Therefore, 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 Leadership Meetings with Mr Coombs and myself.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mrs Bettany
Headteacher

Together we learn. Together we grow.

Help at Home

The National Curriculum states that all children should be able to recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12×12 by the end of Year 4. We have bought some wonderful resources that the children are already aware of and can be accessed at home as well as in school. These include TT Rockstars (trockstars.com) and Maths.co.uk. Your child should have their own individual log in. If you require further support with logging on, please do not hesitate to contact their class teacher. There are also free resources available that your child will already be familiar with such as 'Hit the button'. As with other areas of the curriculum, the best approach to learning and retaining times tables is little and often.

We recommend 10-15 minutes per day.

Thank you for your support.
Miss Thelwell and Miss Matthews

Values in Action

At Leasowes we pride ourselves on living our values within school and encourage children to also live by these out of school. We are currently thinking about the value of love and all of our assemblies will ensure that we focus on what this means at Leasowes and beyond. Whilst we have a focus value, we never forget the importance of all of the values. Mrs Gee shared a lovely moment that she had with her class during a collaborative art project. She aptly named it 'Collaboration in Action'. I think it is just lovely and felt it also needed sharing. Let's see if you agree?

Non-Uniform Day

Well done to all for supporting our non-uniform day today. It was an extremely stripy day! Thank you for the donations.



Save the Date

Traditional themed
Summer Fayre
25th June
5.30pm – 7.30pm

Article 31

Children have the right to rest, relax and play. Enjoy your half term break!



Wow, thank you so much!

As you can see we have had so many books purchased from our Amazon wish list. In addition, we have had a significant amount of money donated so we are able to purchase our chosen books. See the links overleaf if you would like to support. Thank you so much!

A magical new library for Leasowes

[Donate >>](#)

Target: £2,000.00

Raised: £370.00

Deadline: 07/06/2021

11 Days Remaining

[Donate >>](#)

£2k

£1.8k

£1.6k

£1.4k

£1.2k

£1k

£800

£600

£400

£200

We are looking to raise funds to fill our wonderful new school library with inspiring and exciting new books. Creating an engaging and inspiring library is key to encouraging our Leasowes children to read for pleasure.

