

Friday 30th January 2026

Weekly Newsletter

♥ Parent/Carer Progress Meetings ♥

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents and carers who attended Parents' Evening over the past couple of weeks. Your time, engagement, and ongoing support make a real difference to your child's learning and wellbeing.

We truly value the strong partnership we share with our school community and appreciate the positive conversations and feedback that help us continue to grow together.

Thanks again,
Team LSJP ♥

🐻🐻🐻 Reception's Bear Hunt 🐻🐻🐻

Wow, wow, wow! What an amazing morning our reception class had on Wednesday as they visited Lilford Park to take part in a bear hunt!

We are so proud of how well they listened to their adults and how sensible they were whilst walking to the park.

The boys and girls searched the park and woods for the bears using their amazing binoculars which they made themselves! When they'd found the bears, they worked in pairs and used their phonic skills to read the names and wrote these on their sheets. After finding all the bears, they enjoyed a lovely little picnic including the jam sandwiches which they had made in school on Tuesday! Finally, they got to enjoy some time playing on the park.

What a fabulous first visit for our youngest children! Well done Reception!

🍏🍏 Morning Break: snacks 🍏🍏

This is a polite reminder regarding children's morning fruit snack. Children are allowed to bring to school some fresh fruit in. We do not allow cereal bars or alternative snacks for morning breaks, and this is in line with our healthy food strategy/approach. As part of the National Fruit Scheme, school are able to provide children with fruit snacks for afternoon breaks.

We would also like to remind you about cutting grapes that are sent in as either a snack or as part of lunchboxes into quarters as they are a potential choking hazard. Please see the image below:

🏀🏀 Sporting News 🏀🏀

⚽ ATSA Football ⚽

Monday afternoon saw the football team take on St Benedict's at Atherton High school. Conditions were very cold, but the team were raring and ready to go. We went a goal down early on but managed to equalise shortly after. The lead changed numerous times from then on until eventually the final whistle blew, and we were unfortunately on the wrong side of a 4-3 score line. It was great to see the resilience to keep getting back into the match, and the team displayed sportsmanship throughout. Onto the next 🍊

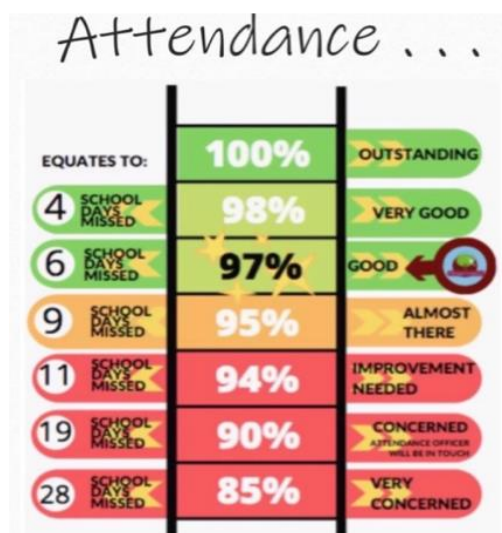
⚽ LLG Football ⚽

On Thursday, we suffered our first defeat of the season in what was a hard fought 4-3 loss to a very strong, physical Gilded Hollins. Despite going 4-1 down, the boys showed great character on resolve to get it back to 4-3 with goals from Spencer, Johnny and Sam M. Despite the defeat, Mr Miller fully believes this was one of our best performances in a long time. Well done to players of the match Daniel and Spencer.



⚠️ Holidays – not allowed in term time ⚠️

We are continuing to receive notifications from families regarding taking holidays in term time. We politely remind parents and carers that holidays should not be taken in school time. Holidays are unauthorised absences and may result in penalty fines as shared in the updated warning notice on attached. Holidays in term time also have a detrimental effect on children's emotional well-being as often when they return to school, particularly after a 2-week absence, friendship groups have often moved on/shifted.



Year 6 Parent/Carer SATs Meeting

On Monday 2nd February, Mr Thomason will be holding a meeting for current Year 6 parents and carers to share information about their child's end of year assessments and how we can support them over the coming months.

🕒 Advance Notice- School Visits 🕒

Over the next few weeks, we have a number of classes heading out of school to enrich their learning on educational visits. Please keep an eye out on both ParentMail and Tapestry for information regarding these visits.

Thursday 5th February Year 3

To take part in a Roman workshop our Year 3 children will become Romans for their day as they enhance their history topic.

Monday 9th February Year 6

To complement their learning about the Ancient Egyptians, Year 6 are off to Bolton Museum where they will take a virtual tour around burial chamber of the pharaoh Tuthmose III.

Wednesday 11th February Year 1

Our Year 1 class are off to Bolton Museum to learn more about Playful Pastimes as part of their history topic.

Friday 13th February Year 4

A visit to Bury Fire Station where the children will learn just what it is like being a firefighter and how to keep themselves safe in the event of a fire.

What a busy, yet exciting few weeks we have in store!

! Advance Notice !

We have been informed by the local authority that school will now be closed on **Thursday 7th May** due to being used as a polling station for local elections.

App of the Week:

History at a Glance



An amazing app that allows you to explore world history in an interesting and fun way.

DIARY DATES

DATE	Event
Each Sunday	St Mary's Church Sunday Service @ 10am with Sunday School. Junior Park 2K Run @ Leigh Sports Village (free for 4-11yr. Old's) 9am
Monday 2 nd February	Year 6 SATs Meeting @ 3:35pm & 5:00pm
Thursday 5 th February	Year 3 to Grosvenor Museum in Chester
Monday 9 th February	Year 6 Visit to Bolton Museum
Wednesday 11 th February	Year 1 Visit to Bolton Museum
Friday 13 th February	Year 4 Visit to Bury Fire Station

Sleeping Beauty

WEDNESDAY 21st - SATURDAY 31st JANUARY 2026

Weekdays - 7:15pm • Saturday Evening - 6:15pm

Matinees 24th 25th 31st - 1pm

ST JOSEPH'S HALL, 82 CHAPEL ST, LEIGH, WNZ 2DB

TICKETS:

ADULTS - £12

UNDER 16s - £6

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