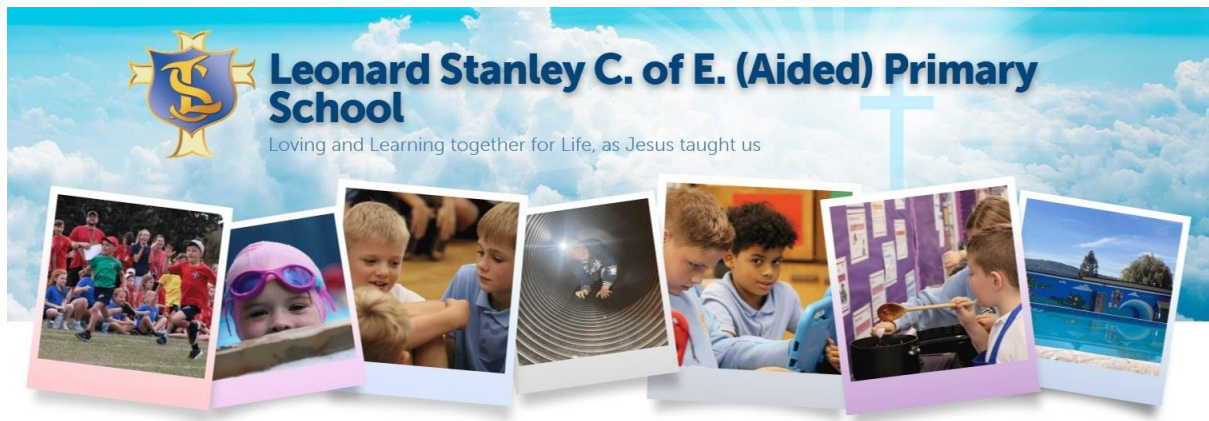




# Leonard Stanley Newsletter 2026

Weekly Newsletter, Friday 13th March 2026

## From the Head Teacher

This week has been a lively and engaging one in school, filled with a wonderful variety of activities. Year 1 and Year 3 enjoyed their judo sessions, while Year 1 also took part in music rehearsals as they prepare for their concert at Cheltenham Town Hall next week. Year 4 have been busy making pizzas in their cooking sessions, and Year 6 created impressive clay elephants inspired by the work of Henry Moore. Reception were delighted by a visit from a vet, sparking lots of curiosity and conversation.

We also made some improvements around the school, with new chairs arriving for Year 2 and a fresh carpet laid in the KS2 cloakroom as part of our ongoing investment in our learning environment.

Tuesday's power cut provided an unexpected challenge and served as a helpful reminder of how much a modern school depends on electricity and the internet to run smoothly.

As we head into the final two weeks of term, there is still plenty happening. Please continue to refer to the weekly reminder for key information. Next week, alongside the Year 1 trip, we will be holding parents' evenings on Tuesday and Wednesday, and we will be supporting Comic Relief on Friday—another busy and exciting week ahead.

We look forward to seeing many of you at the Mothering Sunday Service at Kings Stanley School this Sunday at 10am.

Mr Milner

## Preschool News

A reminder that our preschool is **closed next Wednesday, 18th March**, for an INSET day

## Mothering Sunday

We warmly invite all our pupils and their mothers (fathers are welcome too!) to a special Mother's Day service at **King's Stanley Primary School hall** on Mothering Sunday, **March 15th, at 10:00am**.

This will be a simple yet meaningful occasion where we celebrate and appreciate all our mothers together. The service will be led by Rev. Leah Collins, and there will also be opportunities for some of our children to take part, for example, by playing an instrument, reading a poem, or contributing to the service in another way.

This is a **joint venture with the families of King's Stanley Primary School**, making this a true community event. St George's Church will also be providing drinks and cakes.

We hope to see as many of you as possible for this special celebration.



## Home Reading Challenge

**HOME READING CHALLENGE** – Well done to all children who have read at home to an adult at least 3 times this week:

**Y6** = 92%

**Y5** = 97%

**Y4** = 93%

**Y3** =100%

**Y2** =100%

Y1 = 85%

A super week, well done!

## Our School Charity

### School Council Visit – Easter Egg Donations

**The School Council in KS2 will be visiting Dursley Tab Community Food Hub on Friday 20th March.** The Children will take part in activities to learn how we support people facing the cost of living crisis, and how we work to reduce food waste in the community.

If you and your families would like to engage with our work, we are inviting children to bring in **Easter Eggs as donations**, which we will distribute to our service users during the Easter period.

If you would like to support us, please send your Easter Egg donations into school **by Thursday 19th March, so that the School Council can bring them along when they visit us on the 20th.**

**Thank you for your continued support in helping us make a transformational difference in the lives of those we support.**





1 - Our chosen school charity this year.

## Red Nose Day, Friday 20th March

This year, to celebrate *Red Nose Day*, we having a non-uniform day

Our school charity this year is the **Community Food Hub**; therefore, we are not formally collecting donations for Red Nose , but if you would like to donate, we have set up the following link [via ParentPay](#).

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## FOLSS News

 Self-portrait orders have been delivered to school. Orders will be sent home over the next couple of days. For any issues, please email [friendsofleonardstanleyschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofleonardstanleyschool@gmail.com). Thank you for your orders; we've loved seeing the children's fab designs.

 Sponsor forms will be coming home soon for the Bunny Hop  on the 23rd March.

Thanks FOLSS.

## Term Dates 2025 - 2026

**Please note the dates for 2026/27 are now on the school website.**

Wednesday 18/03/26 - Pre-School Inset Day

Friday, 27/03/26 - School Closes at 1pm for Easter Holidays (No OOSC Club)

EASTER HOLIDAYS

SUMMER TERM

Monday, 13/04/26 - School Reopens

Monday, 04/05/26 - School Closed - Bank Holiday

Friday, 22/05/26 - School Closes at 3:15pm for Half Term

HALF TERM

Monday, 01/06/26 - School Reopens

Friday, 26/06/26 - School Closed - Inset Day

Friday, 17/07/26 - School Closes at 1pm for Summer Holidays (No OOSC Club)

## Secondary School News



**SIR THOMAS RICH'S  
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**OPEN MORNING**  
**21 April and 22 April**

*"The culture here is one of belonging and community. As a result, pupils flourish. The personal development of pupils threads alongside the academic learning. Pupils thrive through a wide range of established opportunities designed for their personal growth." Ofsted 2020*

We warmly invite prospective parents and pupils to visit Sir Thomas Rich's School for our April Open Mornings. These events are primarily aimed at Year 5 boys planning to sit the Gloucestershire Grammar Schools' Admissions Test this September; although pupils from other year groups and their families are very welcome to attend.

Register online, or for enquiries email the school on [admissions@strs.org.uk](mailto:admissions@strs.org.uk).

Curiosity  
[www.strschool.co.uk](http://www.strschool.co.uk)

A poster for Sir Thomas Rich's Gloucester Open Mornings. It features a group of five boys in blue school uniforms standing in front of a brick building. The text is in white and yellow on a dark blue background. A quote from Ofsted 2020 is included. At the bottom, there is a small inset image of a boy looking at a tablet, with the word 'Curiosity' and the school's website URL.



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## Walk and Talk: The Easter Story



## Junior Bake Off – young bakers needed for new series

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## Cheltenham Town Women FC

We're excited to invite the **Leonard Stanley C. of E. Aided Primary School** community to join us at **Kayte Lane Stadium** this March, as **Cheltenham Town Women FC** host **three consecutive Sunday home fixtures**.

**The Robinesses** compete in the **FA Women's National League Southern Premier**—the highest level of semi-professional women's football in England and **just one step below Women's Super League 2**. These matches provide a great opportunity for families to enjoy **high-quality women's football locally** in a welcoming, family-friendly environment.

Sunday fixtures at Kayte Lane are particularly popular with families, offering an affordable and enjoyable afternoon out close to home.

### March Home Fixtures

#### Kayte Lane Stadium, GL52 3PD

- **Sunday 8 March** – Cheltenham Town Women vs **AFC Bournemouth Women** Kick-off: **2:00 pm** | Gates open: **12:30 pm** Buy tickets [HERE](#)
- **Sunday 15 March** – Cheltenham Town Women vs **Bristol City Women Academy** Kick-off: **2:00 pm** | Gates open: **12:30 pm** Buy tickets [HERE](#)
- **Sunday 22 March** – Cheltenham Town Women vs **AFC Wimbledon Women** Kick-off: **2:00 pm** | Gates open: **12:30 pm** Buy tickets [HERE](#)

## Big Brush Club

**Big Brush Club – Free Oral Health Webinar for Parents and Caregivers** We are pleased to invite you to our **Big Brush Club Oral Health Webinar**, designed to support families and caregivers in promoting positive oral health habits at home. This friendly, informative session will provide practical guidance to help you feel confident in supporting your child's dental wellbeing. **What the Session Will Cover**

- The importance of toothbrushing and how to establish a consistent daily routine
- Guidance on choosing the right toothbrush and toothpaste
- How diet and daily habits affect children's oral health
- Answers to common questions from parents and caregivers **This webinar offers clear, reliable advice to support healthy habits at home.**

### Webinar Details

- **Duration:** 45–60 minutes

- **Cost:** Free
- **Who should attend:** Parents, carers, and guardians of children aged 0–11

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prize

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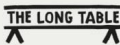
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