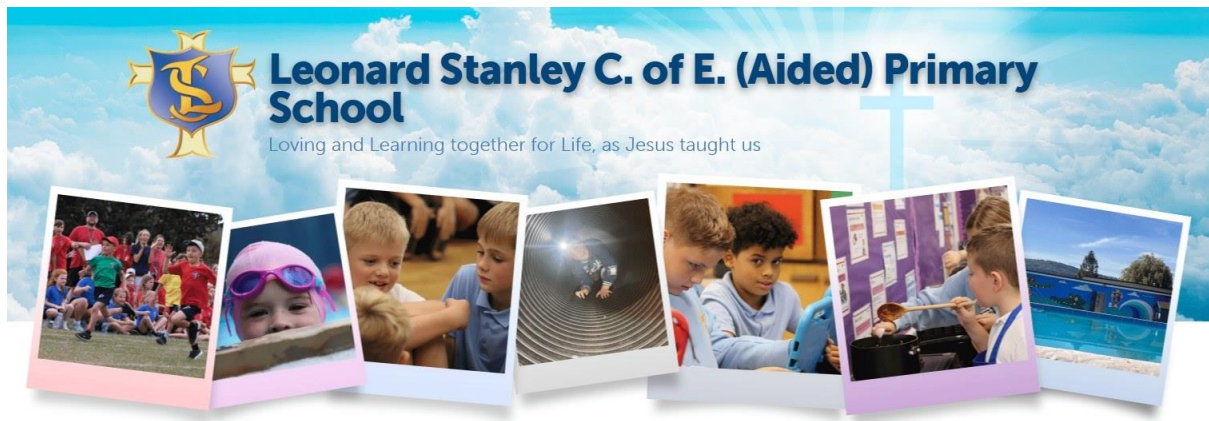




Leonard Stanley Newsletter 2026

Weekly Newsletter, Friday 6th March 2026

From the Head Teacher

Dear parents/carers,

Mothering Sunday Event – Sunday 15th March

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to attend our Mothering Sunday celebration at Kings' Stanley School. It promises to be a lovely occasion. If you haven't yet registered, there is still time to do so using the FORMS link on the EduLink app (see details below).

A Huge Thank You for Your Support

We are very grateful for the community teamwork shown during the recent virus that affected the school. Following last week's deep clean, we have continued with enhanced cleaning throughout this week and have temporarily moved to classroom-based lunches to help prevent further illness.

We have already received some encouraging feedback about the new lunchtime arrangements. They have created a calmer atmosphere and appear to be working well for both KS1 and KS2. We will continue to refine the system, but please be assured that all children have plenty of time to eat before heading out to play.

Hockey Success for Years 5 and 6

Congratulations to our Year 5 and 6 pupils who took part in a hockey competition this week. They performed brilliantly and returned to school with silver and bronze medals. A fantastic achievement—well done to everyone involved!

World Book Day Celebrations

It was wonderful to celebrate World Book Day together in school. Our book swap proved to be a great success, with an exciting range of books being shared across the school. A big thank you to Mrs Bullingham for organising such a popular event.

Parents' Evening Reminder

A reminder to book your Parents' Evening appointments for **17th and 18th March** via EduLink.

Mr A Milner

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. Please let us know if you can join us using the FORMS link in EduLink.



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 = 100%

Y4 = 93%

Y3 = 100%

Y2 = 100%

Y1 = 75%

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

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- No experience necessary - just strong writing & communication skills.
 - No set minimum hours commitment.
- You will liaise with the Co-Chairs & school to establish what is needed & find suitable grants.
- Obtain quotes, complete application forms & follow the progress of bids.

Email friendsofleonardstanleyschool@gmail.com for more info & expressions of interest. Thank you!

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
GLOUCESTER**

OPEN MORNINGS
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.

Curiosity
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 wall. The school crest is visible in the top left. The text is in a mix of fonts, with 'OPEN MORNINGS' in a large, bold font. A quote from Ofsted 2020 is included. The bottom section contains information about the events, including the date, time, and how to register. A small image of a boy looking at a tablet is in the bottom right corner.

Community Information

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Walk and Talk: The Easter Story

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WALK & TALK THE EASTER STORY

Sunday 29th March 2026

Meet 10.00am at King's Stanley Playing fields
(near the carpark entrance)

Everyone is welcome to join us for a walk around the two villages, sharing our way to hear the Easter Story, as told by the donkey (and, not a real donkey!).

Finishing in Leonard Stanley for hot cross buns.

ST. GEORGE'S & ST. SWITHUN'S
IN THE STANLEYS



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TEAM OF CHURCHES

Junior Bake Off – young bakers needed for new series



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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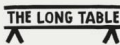
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