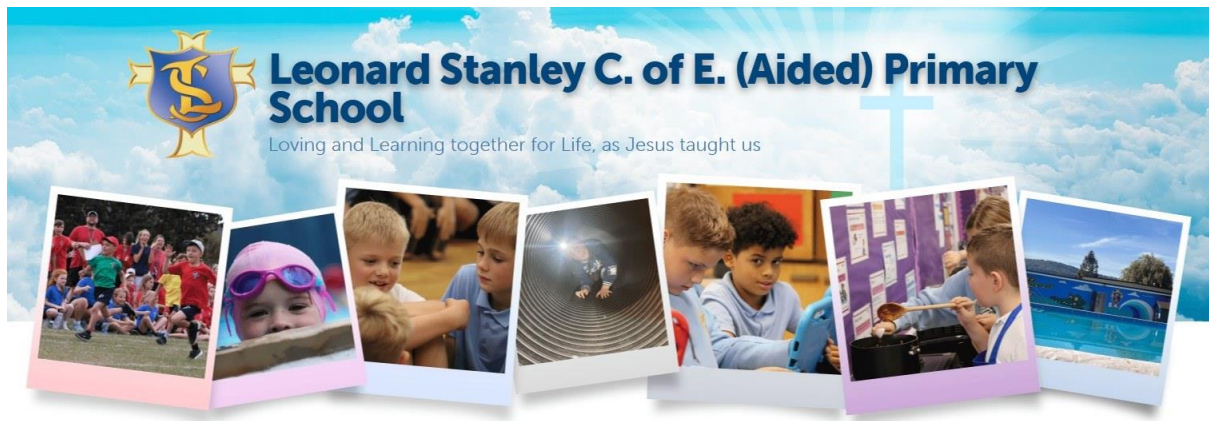




Leonard Stanley Newsletter 2026

Weekly Newsletter, Friday 27th March 2026

From the Head Teacher

End of Term Round-Up

We've had a wonderful final week of term, filled with activity, community spirit and plenty of memorable moments.

Monday saw the return of our much-loved *Bunny Hop*. The children took part with great enthusiasm—Year 5 supported our pre-school pupils beautifully, while Year 6 partnered with their Reception buddies. The event also generated fantastic sponsorship for FOLSS, for which we are very grateful.

On **Tuesday**, Mrs Bullingham hosted the annual *Year 1 Breakfast*. It was extremely well attended and provided a lovely, calm start to the day. Year 3 also enjoyed revisiting Highborder Lodge, where they sang for the residents—a special experience for everyone involved.

On **Wednesday**, we held a whole-school *Prayer Afternoon*, organised by Mrs March with support from Rev. Leah. Children took part in a carousel of reflective activities focused on prayer, hope and the positive changes they would like to see in the world. Rev. Leah and Pat then joined us again on **Thursday** for our Easter service, which retold the Easter story through readings, songs, drama and prayer.

Also on **Thursday**, Year 5 travelled back in time as the Vikings "invaded" our school. Pupils explored artefacts, learnt about daily life in Viking times and took part in reenactments—a highly engaging and informative day.

Today, we rounded off the week with our third Vision Day: **TOGETHER**. The whole school walked the 5K route up to Penn Woods—an annual favourite of Reception—where spring

was in full bloom. It was a wonderful opportunity to enjoy nature and celebrate being together as a school community. With three vision days now complete, we look forward to our final theme, *"For Life,"* next term, when we will explore aspiration.

We wish all our families a joyful and restful Easter break.

School reopens on Monday, 13th April.





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 = 84%

Y5 = 100%

Y4 = 89%

Y3 = 85%

Y2 = 97%

Y1 = 74%

Enjoy holiday reading!

FOLSS News

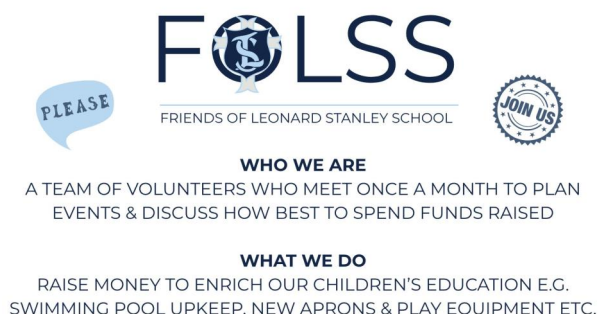
Polytunnel Tidy Working Party, 11th & 12th April, 10am until 12pm – gates will be open; please come and join us!

Please return Bunny Hop sponsor money by Wednesday, 15th April – thank you.

Pool Re-opening 1st June – Family Memberships are now Live! We have frozen last year's price of £70 and added the option of one additional adult family member for just £20! If you have someone who helps provide care for your children over the summer holidays, this is the perfect way for them to also take the children 'named' on the membership swimming. Any additional adults must also complete the RESUS training.

Memberships are limited to a maximum capacity of 120 families so don't miss out; buy your membership and book your resus training here: [Pool Membership and RESUS training Tickets, Leonard Stanley Primary School, Stonehouse | TryBooking United Kingdom](#)

Big thanks go to Pete Smith of Hogg & Smith Plumbing, who has kindly installed a new outdoor tap to keep us swimming this summer.



Our School Charity



1 - Our chosen school charity this year.

Stroud District Food Bank together with Trussell Trust.

At Leonard Stanley Primary School, we understand that every family can face challenging times, and needing a little extra support is nothing to be ashamed of. We are able to issue food bank vouchers for any families who may benefit from them, and we offer this with complete confidentiality and kindness. If you feel this would help you, or you would like to

talk through any worries, please get in touch with our family support worker, **Lisa Hills**, who is here to support you without judgement.

Term Dates 2025 - 2026

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

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)

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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,
discovering the real story of the Easter story, as told by the donkey (really, not a real donkey!).

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Holiday Camps & Easter Activities



Copsegrove Farm

Family Farm Open Day

Date: Sunday 26th April
Time: 11.30 - 4.30pm
Location: Copsegrove Farm, Bisley, GL6 7AH
Please come and join us at Copsegrove for the day to celebrate Spring and see what our farm is all about!

- Welsh Black calves
- Derek Blewgi, our handsome bull
- 12pm-2pm Meet Midnight and Moonlight the Owls
- Metal detecting for Roman relics
- Farmyard games
- Spring walk to woodland to toast marshmallows over open fire
- Hawthorne and Hare Morris dancers and music
- BBQ serving Copsegrove burgers, hot dogs & veggie options
- Teas, coffees and ice creams
- Bull pen bar (minus the bull!) soft drinks or something stronger

Limited tickets on sale now
£4.75 per adult, £2.50 per child

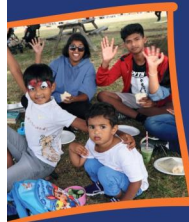


We hope very much to see you there!
Kate and Martin
www.copsegrovefarm.com



HAF Spring 2026 is coming!

Make sure you're signed up
and ready to book!



Bookings open

Monday 23 March at midday

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Bournside Sports Centre, Warden Hill Road, Cheltenham GL51 3EF

TUESDAYS, 5.30PM - 6.30PM (**CLEEVE**)

Cleeve Sports Centre, Two Hedges Road, Bishop's Cleeve, GL52 8AE



PREMIER LEAGUE KICKS

MONDAYS, 5.00PM - 7.00PM (**PRESTBURY PARK**)

Prestbury Park, New Barn Lane, Prestbury, GL52 3LE

TUESDAYS, 5.00PM - 5.45PM (**THE ROCK YOUTH CENTRE**)

The Rock, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham, GL51 9AH

THURSDAYS, 5.15PM - 7.00PM (**WHADDON YOUTH CENTRE**)

Whaddon Youth Centre, Dart Road, Cheltenham, GL52 5QW

Part of Fuel Thursdays in partnership with The Children's Society



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