



Leonard Stanley Newsletter 2026

Weekly Newsletter, Friday 17th July 2026

From the Head Teacher

Headteacher's End-of-Year Message

As we reach the end of another school year, I would like to take a moment to reflect on what has been an incredibly busy and successful term—and indeed, a memorable year. Nothing that we achieve at Leonard Stanley would be possible without our dedicated and professional team of teachers, teaching assistants, pre-school practitioners, office staff, cleaners, kitchen staff, FOLSS members, volunteers and governors. Together, they create the unique and caring community that makes our school so special. My sincere thanks go to every one of them for their hard work, enthusiasm and commitment.

A very special thank you goes to **Mrs Evans**, who retires today after many years of distinguished service at Leonard Stanley. She has made a tremendous contribution to the school community, and we wish her every happiness and success in her retirement.

Our school continues to go from strength to strength, with pupil numbers steadily increasing. Since September, we have welcomed ten new children and their families to our school community, and we are expecting a similar number of pupils to join us across various year groups in September. Demand for places remains strong, and we now only have spaces available in next year's Year 1 class.

This week, our Year 6 pupils wowed audiences with their production of **The Aristocats**. It was wonderful to see the entire year group come together to deliver such a polished and entertaining performance. Every child played their part brilliantly, and their hard work culminated in a truly outstanding show. Congratulations to all involved, and thank you to **Mr Allen, Mrs Paget, Mrs Murray and Lynda** for their support and dedication. Year 6 also received their SATs results this week, and we are delighted that their achievements once again place us well above the national average.

The week has also been filled with other memorable events, including a highly successful Year 1 visit to **Copsegrove Farm**, our end-of-year church service at **St Swithun's**, and the annual swimming gala. It was particularly lovely to see so many parents and grandparents joining us to support the children at the gala, helping to make the occasion such a special one.

Our swimming pool continues to be one of the school's greatest assets. This term, every child has enjoyed swimming three times a week, and the benefits—in confidence, enjoyment, life skills and physical development—have been significant. My thanks go to all the staff who teach swimming throughout the week, and especially to **Mr Burrows and Mrs Simmonds**, whose daily care and maintenance ensure the pool remains in excellent condition. I know that many families will enjoy making use of this fantastic facility during the summer holidays.

As mentioned previously, we are excited that our programme of school improvements will continue over the summer break. The former kitchen area will be transformed into two dedicated intervention rooms, alongside a modern, smaller kitchen space. In addition, the old Elliott building will be removed, creating a significantly larger outdoor learning environment for our Reception and Year 1 children. These developments will further enhance the facilities available to our pupils, and we look forward to sharing updates as the work progresses.

A reminder, as shared in Wednesday's message, that our [End-of-Year Questionnaire](#) remains open until this evening. We greatly value your feedback and would be delighted to hear your views.

Finally, I would like to wish all our children, families and staff a restful and enjoyable summer break. To our Year 6 leavers, we wish you every success and happiness as you begin the next exciting chapter of your journey. Thank you for everything you have contributed to our school community.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back for the Autumn Term on **Wednesday 2nd September**.

Have a wonderful summer.

Mr A Milner





Great British Summer Saving

The Department for Education has asked us to share information about the government's **Great British Summer Savings** scheme, which aims to help families make the most of the summer holidays while reducing costs.

From **25 June to 1 September 2026**, families can benefit from a temporary reduction in VAT on a range of family activities, including children's meals at participating restaurants, family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts and exhibitions, and admission to many attractions across England. In addition, children aged 5–15 can travel free on buses throughout August.

The scheme provides an opportunity for families to enjoy educational, cultural and recreational experiences at a lower cost during the summer break.

To help families find participating venues, the Government has launched an attraction finder website where you can search for offers in your local area:

👉 [Great British Summer Savings Attraction Finder](#)

We hope this information is helpful as you plan activities for the holidays and wish all of our families a happy and enjoyable summer. ☀️

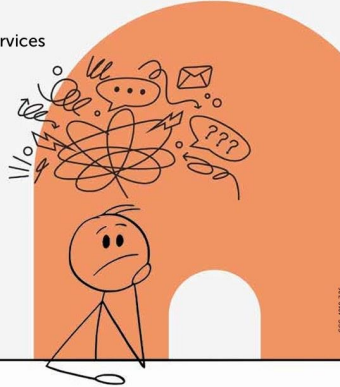
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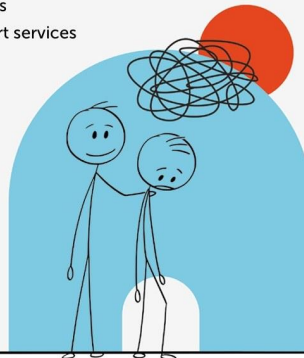
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Home Reading Challenge

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

Y6 = XX%

Y5 = 92%

Y4 = 89%

Y3 = 97%

Y2 = 100%

Y1 = 93%

FOLSS News

☀️ The Big Stanley Summer Sponsorship starts today! ♻️

Please support the children in completing their booklet over the holidays—there will be prizes and top contribution awards. 🏆

🐷 Fill those pigs and their time! Burn off some energy, help the planet & raise funds for the school. 🌍

If you prefer digital sponsorship please use this link: 🔗 <https://gvwhl.com/VAOKH>

📅 Please join us at our Annual General Meeting in September—Wednesday the 23rd—to find out more about how you can help FOLSS.

✨ We are always looking for new members and ideas of how to fundraise and what projects you'd like to see improve our children's learning experience.

🏆 FOLSS would like to thank each and every person who has contributed, donated, liked, shared, and supported this school year.

And to the team, who work so hard to plan fundraising events, give up their time and energy to ensure FOLSS can support the school financially for the enrichment of the children.

We wish you all a wonderful summer break.



Breakfast Club & Atlas After-School Provision

Breakfast Club

The breakfast club will continue to be run in the Pre-school from 7.30am with Mrs Bennett and Mrs Babbage. The cost is £6/session for block bookings and £8/session for ad hoc sessions.

To reserve your place please email: breakfast@leonardstanley.gloucs.sch.uk

After School Club

Please find a link to **book Atlas aftercare** at Leonard Stanley for the Autumn term 2026. Please note there is no maximum number each evening to facilitate ad hoc bookings.

<https://atlasclamps.co.uk/aftercare/leonard-stanley-primary-school/>







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Save money on your childcare costs by using the Tax-Free Childcare and Childcare Voucher schemes. As we are Ofsted registered, you could receive up to £2,000 per child per year towards fees. These government schemes make quality childcare more affordable and help you make the most of your savings.

ENTER OUR MONTHLY PRIZE DRAW

Scan the QR code opposite to enter our monthly prize draw! You could win free places or money off our holiday clubs. It's our way of saying thank you for choosing us to care for your children. Don't miss out – scan and enter today for your chance to win!







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Our School Charity



1 - Our chosen school charity this year.

Term Dates 2025 - 2026

Key Dates:

September 1st: School Closed – INSET day

September 2nd: School opens at 8.40am

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

Holiday Camps & Activities

COMMUNITY HOLIDAY CAMPS

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5-13 YRS OLD | GIRLS ONLY SESSIONS | FREE HOT MEAL | SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
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- Hone downhill skills in small groups
- DBS-checked qualified coaches
- 9am-4pm Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays (except bank holidays)





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SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMPS

9:00 - 15:30



PERFORMANCE COACHING

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Wednesdays
Fridays

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Mondays
Fridays

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9AM - 4PM
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MONDAY 17TH AUGUST

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- Creative activities
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AGES 4-11

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JOIN THE FUN AT THIS YEAR'S THREE CHOIRS FESTIVAL!



INSPIRING MUSICAL EXPERIENCES FOR ALL AGES

The Three Choirs Festival returns to Gloucester this summer with an incredible line-up of musical activities for everyone.

Experience the joy of singing in our creative workshops led by renowned musical director Tim Steiner. If you're looking for drama, join Festival favourite Edward DeBorja for an immersive show featuring some of Shakespeare's most intense characters. Planning a holiday with the little ones? The Lipout Duo will take you on an interactive journey to your favourite destinations.

With free admission for children at selected family events, it's the perfect time to discover why audiences return to the Three Choirs Festival year after year!

Family Events, Don't Forget!

Saturday 29 July
MY FAVOURITE THINGS
6-10 adults, £4 under 10s, under 10s FREE
Discover the joys of singing, creativity and performance in this brilliantly light-hearted workshop led by renowned musical director Tim Steiner. Based on songs from the beloved musical The Sound of Music.
Ideal for adults and children alike.

Sunday 30 July
MEET THE MACBETHS
6-12 adults, £8 under 10s, under 10s FREE
Two of Shakespeare's most dramatic characters are brought to life by actor and musician Edward DeBorja in this immersive show for adults and older children.

Saturday 1 August
BESIDE THE SEASIDE
£10 adults, under 10s FREE
Let us whisk you away to a range of holiday destinations from the 1950s and 60s to the present with... and don't forget to come and have a go on a violin workshop at the end!
Ideal for babies, toddlers and young children.

Thursday 25 July
LET'S CALL THE WHOLE THING OFF
6-12 adults, £8 under 10s, under 10s FREE
In this fun, light-hearted workshop from renowned music director Tim Steiner you will sing through the classic song 'Let's Call the Whole Thing Off' from the musical The Sound of Music.
Ideal for adults and children alike.

Full family event listings and more information available at Schools.org 01452 7618 629 @ThreeChoirs

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What we do in the Woods

- Adventure Days
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- Woodland Sleepovers
- Birthday Parties
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- Outdoor Learning in Schools



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Thursdays, 10am to 4pm
23rd July, 6th, 20th & 27th August

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Our Activities are aimed at school aged children. Under 8's are welcome and should be accompanied by an adult.

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Monday 20th July - Saturday 29th August

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Craft · Create · Play

A different craft each day, hosted by Kids Stuff

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Bring your friends, family and a picnic and enjoy a fantastic range of activities for all ages! Activities take place throughout the day, with most offered free of charge and some available at a very low cost. Each day features a slightly varied programme.

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- ★ Bubble football ★ Tennis ★ Face painting
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18.00-19.30

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