



**Week beginning: 13.3.26**

We have had a lovely week at Leesons this week and ended it with a wonderful assembly led by Fox class. Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended and stayed for our celebration assembly.

*The Leesons Team*

**Attendance and Punctuality**

Our attendance and punctuality for this week can be seen in the table below.

Class	Attendance (%)	Punctuality (number of lates)
Little Orchard	94%	3
Hedgehog	91.9%	3
Robin	96.67%	2
Owl	94.29%	1
Woodpecker	96.43%	3
Kingfisher	94.38%	0
Badger	97.27%	3
Fox	95%	0
Rabbit	96.52%	2
Mole	97.46%	4
Starling	94.5%	2
Otter	95%	2
Stag	98.1%	2
Kestrel	97.5%	0

Well done to Stag Class who won Leo the Attendance Bear and the Attendance cup this week!

Well done to the following class who won the Punctuality cup this week - Kingfisher, Fox and Kestrel!

Both the attendance and punctuality winners will get an additional ten minutes play time. Well done to Owl Class for winning the Walk to School Award.

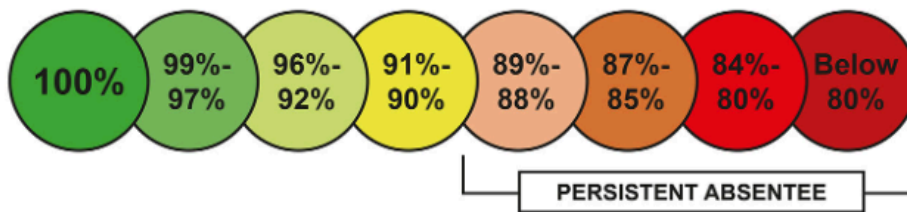


**Attendance**

Our whole school attendance this week is **95.74%**. Thank you to all of our families for your continued support in helping children attend school every day and arrive on time. Good attendance is so important, as it helps children feel settled, confident and ready to learn. Let's keep working together to make every school day count.

# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



## Which CIRCLE are you in?

**Language of the week**

Flag	Language	Country	Greeting	Picture
	Japanese	Japan	Konnichiwa	

In Japan, people don't have signatures – they have their own seal. Known as Hanko, the seal is typically your name translated into Kanji characters, and are made from silk or plant-based paste. Adults will often have three Hankos; one for signing off letters and personal matters, a bank seal and an identity seal.



## Rights Respecting Schools – Our first three rights

At Leesons, we are proud to be on our Rights Respecting Schools journey as we work towards our Bronze Accreditation. This work helps children understand the rights of every child and how we create a safe, respectful and inclusive school community.

So far, we have introduced three key rights from the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child:

- Article 19 – The right to be safe: children have the right to be protected from harm and to feel safe in school.
- Article 28 – The right to learn: every child has the right to education and to learn in a calm, supportive environment.
- Article 12 – The right to be heard: children have the right to share their views and for adults to listen and take them seriously.

We will continue to introduce new rights through assemblies and classroom discussions, helping children to understand what these rights look like in everyday school life — and how we can all respect the rights of others.

### Oracy Talk Topic

Would you rather...?

Would you rather hiccup  
for the rest of your life or  
always feel like you need  
to sneeze?



## Word Aware

Please discuss these words with your child at home and see if any of you can use them in conversation this week.

EYFS and Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2
<div data-bbox="215 596 657 1220"> <p><b>Word of the Week</b> <b>twinkling</b></p> <p><b>Meaning</b> A light that keeps getting brighter and then less bright.</p> <p><b>Challenge</b> Think of two objects that you can describe as <b>twinkling</b>.</p> <p><b>CELEBRATING WORDS</b></p> </div>	<div data-bbox="839 596 1281 1220"> <p><b>Word of the Week</b> <b>triumphantly</b></p> <p><b>Meaning</b> Doing something that shows you have won, or you have succeeded.</p> <p><b>Challenge</b> Pretend you are going to hold something up <b>triumphantly</b>. What would you be holding?</p> <p><b>CELEBRATING WORDS</b></p> </div>

## Maths Challenge

### EYFS/KS1

Speedy Maths Challenge Cards Number and Place Value 2

Write these numbers in order, from smallest to largest.

24    14    2    56    65    100

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Compare these numbers, using >, < and =

12 \_\_\_\_\_ 15                  26 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 tens 3 ones

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Finished in  
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## KS2

### Path Challenge

4 rows of 3 circles are linked by 17 paths.

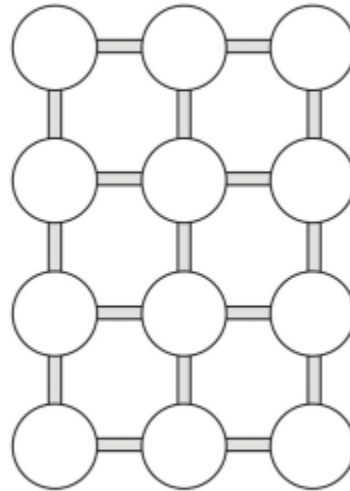
Each path is 10 metres long.

Go along each path at least once.

The route can start and end at any circle.

How long is the shortest route you can take?

What if there are 4 rows of 5 circles?



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### Science

Have some fun at home with these experiments

[School Learning Zone - Animal Life Cycles/](#)

### E-safety

All National Online Safety we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one platform of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.



The Switch is a hybrid console released by popular video game company Nintendo in 2017. It's classed as a hybrid because it's designed to be played both at home on a television, like traditional consoles (think a PlayStation or an Xbox) or out and about like a portable console, such as a GameBoy. It uses two detachable and wireless 'Joy-Con' controllers on either side of the console's screen, which can be used by one or two players. The Switch can be played on the internet with the purchase of Nintendo Switch Online, in the living room together or on the go during long journeys, but bear in mind it needs to be charged just like anything else!



## What parents need to know about NINTENDO SWITCH

### NINTENDO SWITCH ONLINE

Nintendo Switch Online is a paid service that allows the console to be played (you guess!) online, by linking to other Switch consoles around the world. It can be purchased through the Nintendo eShop for a single account on the device, or with a family membership plan which covers 2 accounts. The purchase options come in three sizes: 1 month, 3 months and 12 months but be aware these auto-renew unless you specify otherwise.

### ONLINE DANGERS

While online, your children will be able to play with and chat to people on compatible games, which will mostly be good-natured fun, but could potentially expose them to vulgar language, indecent images or worse. There are options to limit this though, which are detailed below. It's worth remembering that many games can be played offline, so while it's not essential to get Nintendo Switch Online, it is certainly something to consider.

### NINTENDO eSHOP

The Nintendo eShop is where games can be purchased over the internet and downloaded directly onto the device. If you choose to enter your bank details (or PayPal account) onto the Switch, you can save them for easy access later on. Do note however that these can be viewed by anybody with access to the console, unless you specify otherwise. A child might accidentally purchase a game or item from the shop if these details are left improperly protected, which could leave you with a nasty surprise.

### NINTENDO'S VIDEO GAME SELECTION

Nintendo as a company offers some of the most entertaining and safe video games on the market. Games featuring characters like Super Mario, Donkey Kong and Yoshi are always a safe bet for a child-friendly experience. It's always prudent to check each game before you buy it (especially if the game hasn't been made by Nintendo) but as a rule of thumb, anything official containing well-known names like these will be great for your children, giving you peace of mind while they enjoy them.

### PORTABLE GAMING

Being able to take the Switch anywhere is a huge bonus when it comes to this console. What's more is that almost every game can be enjoyed without the need to 'dock' the console with a television. Battery life on the Switch varies depending on what it's being used for but typically it will last around 3 or 4 hours before needing to be recharged. When the time comes, any USB-C charger will be able to do the job, but it's best and quickest to return it to the dock, which requires a normal plug socket.

## National Online Safety #WakeUpWednesday Top Tips For Parents

### PARENTAL CONTROLS

Nintendo released a free downloadable app that can be used in tandem with the Switch called Nintendo Switch Parental Controls. Once you've got the app on your mobile device, it's a simple process to pair your Switch device, giving you a suite of options to help make sure your child is having fun in a safe and structured environment curated by you.

### ONLINE RESTRICTIONS

Another major inclusion in the app is the ability to block your child from seeing anything to do with age-restricted games. There's also an extremely helpful feature that restricts access to games that have free communication features between strangers on the internet. This includes things like private messages and unsolicited images. Should you be concerned that strangers might be using the games to talk to your child, a simple press of a button will disallow any access they might have.

### PLAY WITH YOUR CHILD

One of the wonderful things about the Switch is that there are an abundance of great games you and your child can enjoy together, and even with the whole family. Nintendo has a long history of making and supporting fun, family-friendly games like Mario Kart and Mario Party, both of which can be played with two or more players using the Joy-Con controllers.

### NINTENDO ESHOP SETTINGS

In the Nintendo eShop you can set up a password to help stop your child or somebody else from accessing any sensitive information, such as bank account details. The options here include entering a password to access the eShop to begin with, when any saved credit card information access is attempted, or when PayPal is accessed. Choosing which areas are password-protected helps ensure you're deciding what level of access is given on the device. For example, if you're happy to have your child browse the shop for games they might want, you can allow access to the eShop but introduce the password before a purchase is made ensuring no mishaps occur.

### LIMITING PLAY TIME

By linking the app with the Nintendo Switch, you can set time limits and reminders when you think enough time has been spent playing. It also lets you see if a game is still being played and gives you the option to automatically put the console into sleep mode if the message is ignored. This should only be used as a last resort though as it could cause some friction between you!

### SET PLAY TIMES

Another handy feature is the ability to set different playtimes for days of the week, allowing you to tailor play time around you and your child's schedules. This is great for setting boundaries and encouraging gaming as part of a healthy routine. It will also help your child organise with their friends when they can all be online.

### SEE PLAY HISTORY

The Nintendo Switch Parental Controls app can also send a report telling you how much time your child spends playing each game. This is a great way to spot their favourite or most played games and might be a nice way for you to find out more about a title before talking to your child about it. It could also help identify any possible issues around playtime before they arise.

### Meet our expert

Mark Foster has worked in the gaming industry for 5 years as a writer, editor and presenter. He is the current gaming editor of two of the biggest gaming news sites in the world, UNILAD Gaming and GAMINGible. Starting gaming from a young age with his siblings, he has a passion for understanding how games and tech work, but more importantly, how to make them safe and fun.





## Highlights of the week

### Little Orchard Nursery-



### "Every-bunny" Had a Great Week! 🐰

We had two very special visitors at Little Orchard Nursery this week: Cookies and Cream, our favorite furry friends! The children were absolute stars as they learned what it takes to care for a pet. From studying our rabbit hand-guide to practicing our "gentle hands" for handling, we've spent the week discovering how to keep our hopping guests happy and healthy.

Hedgehog class took a trip to the London Transport Museum this week. The children were very excited to travel by train and spot the River Thames and London Eye as they approached the station. Once inside, the children learned some great facts about the first type of bus, the Omnibus. Did you know that a ride on the Omnibus was a very stinky journey? Not only was it pulled by horses, which meant the smell of horse poop, but back then, the passengers did not bathe or shower regularly. As the children all commented, "ewww!". Hedgehog class then had to help a mole named Monty find his way back home, by solving lots of clues about London transport. The children were inquisitive and very well behaved. Hedgehog class had a fantastic day.



## Oracy Cup 2026 Results

**More than 200 entries were submitted from schools across Greenwich, Bexley and Kent for the Oracy Cup, and the judging panel was impressed by the quality of submissions.**

Numerous thoughtful examples of oracy practice across both primary and secondary classrooms were shared, which made judging both rewarding and challenging.

Congratulations to Sophia whose speech was placed in third place after the panel watched all of the videos. A public speaker in the making!



### What's on?

Week 4	
Monday - 16.03.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Workshop - Year 2 11:30-12:00/Year 5 - 1:15-2:15/Year 6 - 2:15 - 3:15</li><li>• Year 2 local walk - 1:30-2:00pm</li></ul>
Tuesday - 17.03.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Yr 4 bmx @ Hobblingwell (1 group - 11-12)</li><li>• Parents Evening - please enter via the main hall</li><li>• 1.30 Year 1 local area walk</li></ul>
Wednesday - 18.03.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rocksteady concert @ 10am</li><li>• Yr 5&amp;6 sitting volleyball @ Coopers School AM</li></ul>
Thursday - 19.03.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Parents Evening - please enter via the main hall</li></ul>
Friday - 20.03.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 9.30 Easter service at St Barnabus</li><li>• FOL Second Hand uniform sale after school</li></ul>

Week 5	
Monday - 23.03.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• EDI Day</li><li>• Pakistan day</li></ul>
Tuesday - 24.03.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Yr 4 bmx @ Hobblingwell (1 group - 11-12)</li><li>• Nursery Easter stay and play AM</li><li>• Yr 6 Girls netball @ Bromley High PM AB &amp; NT</li><li>• 3.45pm Teaching and Learning Group</li><li>• Dental Nurse visit in Reception PM</li></ul>



## Leesons Primary School Weekly Newsletter



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 9.15am Inclusion assembly</li><li>● Yr 2 parent in for DT - 2:30pm</li></ul>
Wednesday - 25.03.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Greek Independence Day</li><li>● Year 5 Horniman museum trip</li></ul>
Thursday - 26.03.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Yr 1&amp;2 Easter Bunny Run @ St Peter and St Pauls Primary AM</li><li>● PSHE Subject Monitoring</li></ul>
Friday - 27.03.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Wrestling all pm</li><li>● FOL Easter trail</li><li>● Easter raffle</li><li>● Easter hard boiled egg decorating competition</li><li>● 9-9.45am - Celebration assembly (certificates need to be typed before lunch ready for printing)</li></ul>

### **Holiday - Monday 30th March 2026 - Friday 10th April 2026**

### **Inset Days 2025-26 (Staff in school but children are not in school)**

- Monday 1st September 2025
- Tuesday 2nd September 2025
- Friday 21 st November 2025
- Monday 5 th January 2026
- Monday 1 st June 2026

### **Menu**



Leesons Primary School **WEEKLY MENU** WEEK 1 WEEK 2 WEEK 3

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	THEME DAYS
<b>MAIN</b>	Jerk Chicken Curry	Chicken Noodles (E, SO, G/W)	Roast Chicken & Gravy	<del>Roast Chicken &amp; Gravy</del> Beef Burger	Fish Fingers or Salmon Fishcake & Chips (F, G/B*, W)	
<b>VEGGIE</b>	Sweet Potato, Chickpea & Coconut Curry (CE, G/B, O, R, W)	Quorn & Vegetable Noodles (E, SO, G/W)	Roasted Root Vegetable Pie & Gravy (CE, G/W)	Vegetable & Lentil Keema (CE, G/B, O, R, W)	Vegan Nuggets & Chips (G/W)	
<b>SIDES</b>	Rice & Peas with Green Beans (CE)	Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Rustic Roast Potatoes with Roasted Carrots & Parsnips	Steamed Rice & Green Beans	Baked Beans & Peas	
<b>PASTA &amp; JACKET</b>	Vegan Roasted Vegetable Pasta (G/W)	Jacket Potato & Salad	Tomato & Basil Pasta (CE, G/W)	Jacket Potato & Salad	Mac & Cheese (MK, G/W)	
<b>PUD</b>	Banana Cake & Custard (E, MK, SO*, G/W)	Homemade Chocolate Cookie (E, MK, SO*, G/W)	Apple Crumble & Custard (MK, G/W)	Carrot Cake (E, MK, SO*, G/B, O, W)	Iced Vanilla Sponge with Custard (E, MK, SO*, G/W)	
DAILY SALAD BAR   HOMEMADE BREAD   FRESH FRUIT						

**DATES**

05 JAN / 26 JAN  
23 FEB / 16 MAR /

**ALLERGENS**

CE = CELERY    F = FISH    G/O = OATS    L = LUPIN    MU = MUSTARD    SO = SOYA    \* = MAY CONTAIN  
CR = CRUSTACEAN    G = GLUTEN    G/B = RYE    MK = MILK    N = NUTS    SU = SULPHUR    V = VEGAN  
E = EGGS    G/B = BARLEY    G/W = WHEAT    MO = MOLLUSCS    P = PEANUTS    SE = SESAME SEEDS    S = SEASONAL VEG

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