

Friday 28th January 2022

# FRIDAY POST

## Our School Value: Courage

Dear all,

I do hope that you are all managing to stay as well as possible owing to such a surge of Covid cases in our school community. I have been informed that Staffordshire County Council are reporting to the DfE, that Staffordshire's numbers of positive cases still remain high; at four times higher than London's average according to the team. Very concerning!

We are so grateful to you all for the support shown to our school this week. A special mention for the Chartwells Deep Clean Team! The steam sanitizing team were prompt, professional and most accommodating today!

We will endeavour to keep you all as up to date as possible with outbreaks in the classes. Thank you for regular testing of your children (with and without symptoms). It really does make a difference. Once positive, some children and adults are not testing negative until well after days 5 and 6. This virus really is affecting so many in so many different ways.

If you are familiar with the author, Charlie Mackesy, then you may recall his words'

"We have such a long way to go." sighed the boy.

"Yes, but look how far we've come." said the horse.

Two years on and dealing with Covid 19 still feels a challenge.

Please stay well, take care and think of Charlie's words; thank you all once again.

We are trying so hard to keep wellbeing , teaching and learning experiences all positive for your children.

Kind regards

*Mrs. T.A. Parton*

*B.Ed. (Hons) NPQH*

**Please report any absences by calling the school office or emailing: [office@st-leonards-dunston.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-leonards-dunston.staffs.sch.uk)**

*Learn to Love, love to learn*

**St Leonard's First School & Nursery**



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# Weekly House Point Tally

Holly

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Oak

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Beech



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Sycamore

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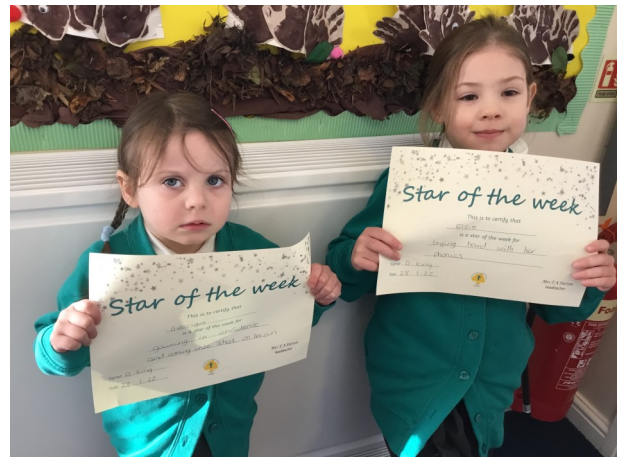
stars of the week

Harry

Harrison

Elsie

Georgia



# Lunchtime Menu ~ 31/01/2022



**WEEK 2**

DAY	DAILY FAVOURITES...	Try something different! Trying new and different foods is a great way of getting all the nutrition your body needs	HOT SPECIALS...	SIDES...	PLATTERS...
<b>MONDAY</b>	Sandwiches with a choice of fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Dough Balls Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Dough Balls	Fresh Carrots and Sweetcorn	Flapjack with Fruit Slices
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Sandwiches with a choice of fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	Sausage and Mash with Gravy Sausage and mash with rich gravy	Peas and Fresh Broccoli	Peach Shortbread Pudding with Custard
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Sandwiches with a choice of fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Succulent roast chicken with fluffy roasties	Fresh Carrots and Fresh Cabbage	Raspberry Yoghurt Cake
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Sandwiches with a choice of fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	Favourite Beef Lasagne with a Garlic & Herb Bread Wedge A classic Italian beef lasagne in a yummy tomato sauce	Fresh Green Beans and Sweetcorn	Fruity Chocolate Brownie
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Sandwiches with a choice of fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	Veggie Balls in Tomato Sauce with Pasta Delicious veggie balls in a tasty tomato sauce with pasta	Baked Beans Fresh Carrots and Peas	Vanilla Ice Cream with Fruit Slices

**SALADS...**  
A Selection of Fresh Salads Including Lettuce, Cucumber, Tomato, Grated Carrot, Sweetcorn

**WEEKS COMMENCING:** 06/09, 27/09, 18/10, 08/11, 29/11, 20/12, 10/01, 31/01, 21/02, 14/03, 04/04

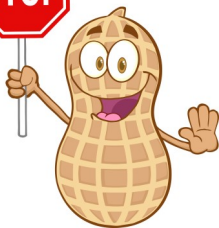
**Look out for these symbols for our super healthy dishes:**

- Vegetarian
- Wholegrain
- Oily fish
- Fruity!
- Nutritionist's Choice

**Available every day!**  
Cool water  
Salad  
Freshly baked bread  
Yoghurt  
Fresh fruit

**Allergy? Speak to our kitchen for help**

**STOP**



## No nuts please

Please note due to children in school with allergies please do not send any products containing nuts into school for break or lunch times.

Thank you for your co-operation.



## Forest School Request

We are in need of lots of wooden pallets. If anyone has any they could donate to school, please see Miss Maaskant or email the school office.

Thank you



## Bag to School



Are you having a January clear out? Then our PTFA have arranged for a 'Bag to School' collection on

**Thursday 3rd February**

**We accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE\*:**

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing (paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around))
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

**We DO NOT accept:**

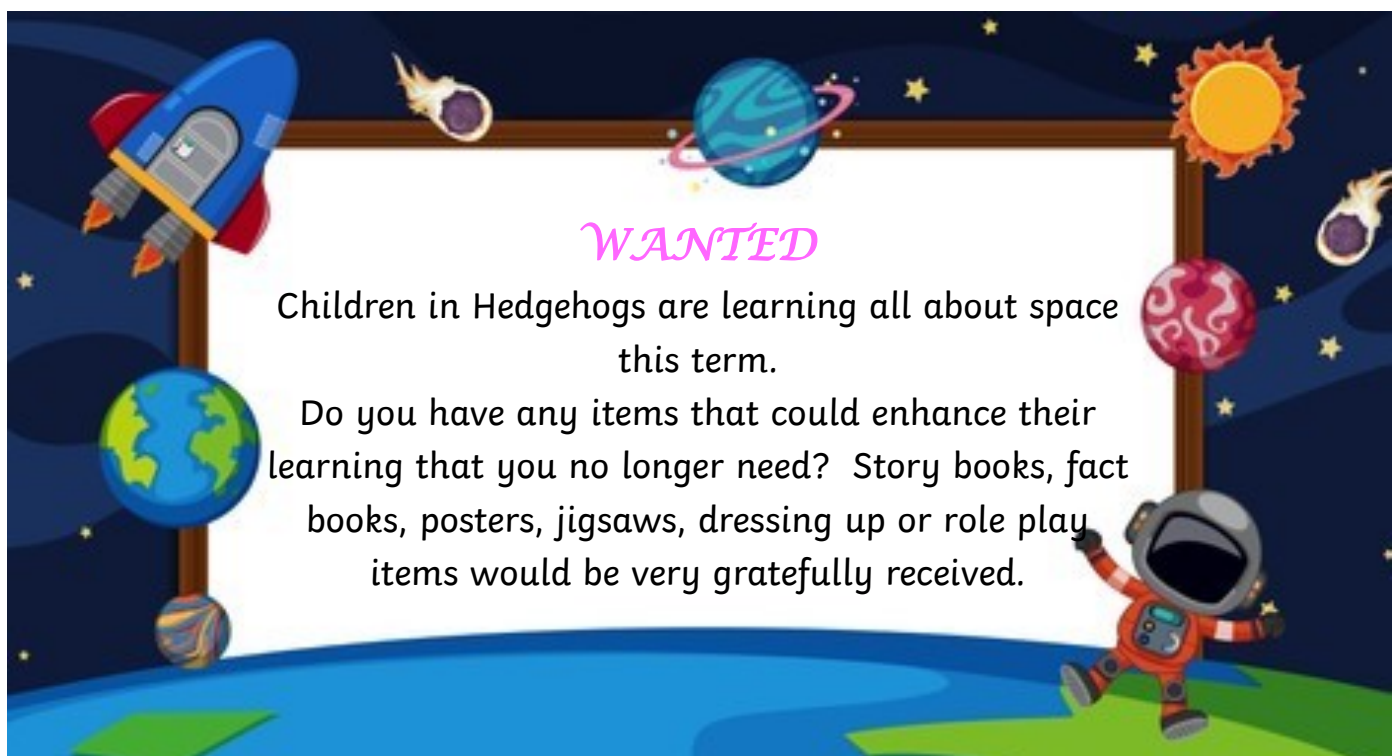
- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms
- with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

**Please leave your bags under the shelter at the FRONT of school - please do not leave any**

## Data Collection forms

Thank you to those who have already returned their Data Collection forms, if you haven't already done so, please return the sheets to the office as soon as possible.

Thank you.





This week's sign is .....

Teddy



Visual



Action

Watch how to sign it at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b8bL3erkEhE>

3 leaf tokens awarded to those children that send in their videos of themselves speaking and signing the action!

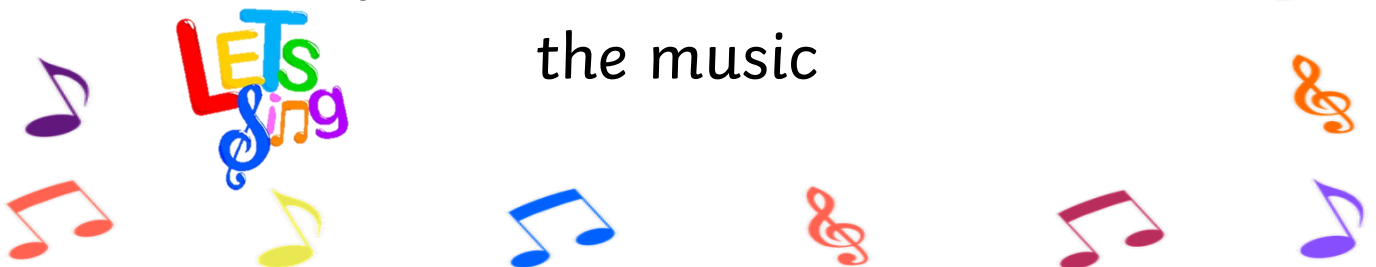


This week during worship we are learning:

**'Be strong, take courage'**

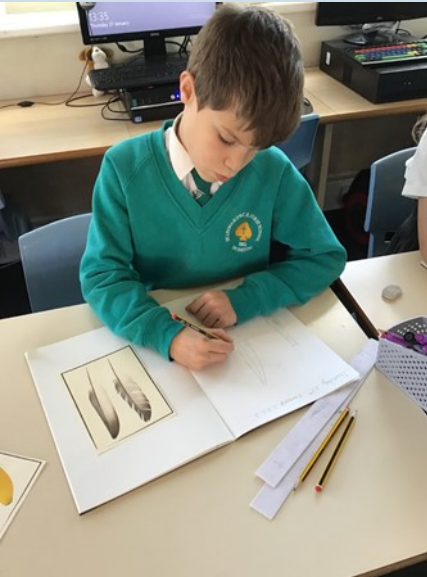
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UliEmbhc3Tk>

Please follow the link above to hear the music





In Art we have been practising our sketching skills.  
We have been taking our time observing natural  
objects outside too!



***Reminder - Foxes residential visit***

Please could you return your permission slips for the Standon Bowers residential trip, as soon as possible.

Thank you

## ParentPay



Please remember to keep your ParentPay accounts topped up for School dinners if you are in Nursery, Y3 & Y4 and Before School Club if you are in Reception - Y4. If you use After School Care or extra Nursery sessions parents will be issued an invoice prompting payment.

## Nursery 2022



Any children who have siblings wishing to start in our school nursery at any point during this year, please contact the school office to submit your child's details.. Children can join our Nursery from when they turn 3 years old.



## Schools' Gotta Sing - Thursday 3rd March 2022

Schools Gotta Sing is back and our choir will be performing at Stafford Gatehouse on Thursday 3rd March 2022!

Tickets are available from Stafford Gatehouse Theatre.

### School start times

**8:40am - Foxes with younger siblings**

8:50am - Owls with younger siblings

8:55am - Hedgehogs

***Please note that if you arrive after the gate has closed, parents will need to sign the late book & your child will be marked as late.***

### School finish times

2:50pm - Hedgehogs with older siblings

2:55pm - Owls with older siblings

3pm - Foxes

Don't forget to keep up to date by following us on ..



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Our School website

<https://www.st-leonards-dunston.staffs.sch.uk/>



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Fun outside in their "electric" vehicles!

We went on a bobsleigh ride!

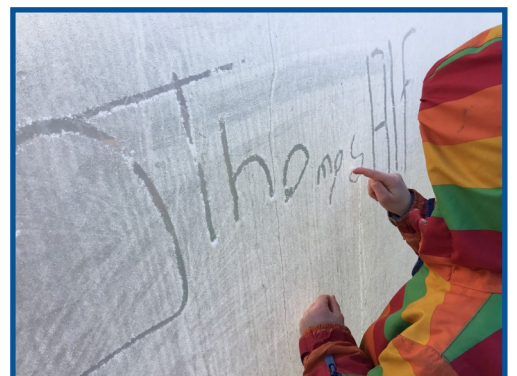
Using magnetic letters in our spellings and phonics



Writing in the frost!



Aliens!



# DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 18th February	Inset Day - School closed to pupils
Monday 21st February	Half Term
Monday 28th February	Back to School
Thursday 3rd March	World Book Day
Thursday 3rd March	Choir @ Stafford Gatehouse
Wednesday 9th March	Parents Evening - <i>more info to follow</i>
Thursday 10th March	Parents Evening - <i>more info to follow</i>
Friday 8th April	Term Ends
Thursday 26th May	Extra Bank Holiday (Queen's Jubilee) - school closed

## *Privacy Notice*

The Privacy Notice for Parents/Carers (in relation to pupil personal data) has been updated and can be found in the 'Policies' section on our website



## *Wanted - Jigsaws*

Having a post Christmas clear out? Have you got any old jigsaws you no longer need? Then the children in The Ark love doing jigsaws! Any puzzles with 100 pieces or less would be gratefully received.

### Family Support Service by SCTSP in Partnership with Staffordshire County Council



#### South Staffordshire

#### FREE ONLINE BEHAVIOUR & WELLBEING WORKSHOPS/PROGRAMMES

#### Workshops for Parents: January- March 2022

#### Parent Wellbeing Workshop

Topics covered: Understanding emotions, building confidence & feeling more positive

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March: 1.30-2.30pm

To book your place please email your name, date of programme and phone number to [raminderdhalwal.fss@sctsp.org.uk](mailto:raminderdhalwal.fss@sctsp.org.uk) or text/phone with your name, date of programme and email address to 07741645691 .

Once you have booked onto you will be sent instructions on how to access the Workshop/

Programme.

