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LEPS Newsletter

Friday 28th November 2025

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A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS

WHOLE SCHOOL

Tempest Photographs -
Order Deadline

Cauliflower cards -
Being sent home today

NURSERY & RECEPTION

Clumsiest Elf Show -
Friday 5th December
2025

YEAR 3

Trip to Pitzhanger
Manor

PTFA

Raffle tickets now on
sale

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Last order date for free
delivery to school is Mon-
day 8th December.

Dear all

We have had a thoughtful, energetic and uplifting week at Little Ealing, filled with learning, gratitude and moments that show the strength of our school community. I am delighted to share some highlights with you.

Monday Assembly – Thanksgiving and “The Power for Good”

Miss Caldwell led this week’s assembly with a focus on Thanksgiving and its connection to our theme of “The Power for Good.”

She shared the story of the Pilgrims travelling on the Mayflower to Plymouth Rock, and how the Wampanoag people showed remarkable kindness by helping them survive and celebrate a successful harvest - an act of generosity still remembered through today’s Thanksgiving traditions.

We reflected on what we are thankful for in our own lives and the children were encouraged to think about classmates and adults at school who have been spreading “The Power for Good” through their actions.

Lothair Class Assembly – Celebrating Learning and Resilience

This week, Lothair Class treated us to a thoughtful and engaging assembly all about plants - their different parts, the roles each part plays and the vital place plants hold in our natural world. The children reminded us how much we depend on plants and how important it is that we respect and protect them.

Despite a challenging week of illness, reshuffled roles and last-minute rehearsals, the children showed wonderful LEPS spirit with impressive - resilience, teamwork and perseverance.

Their bravery and determination shone through on the day and we are immensely proud of every child who took part. The assembly ended with Aidan’s thoughtful words which beautifully captured the essence of the theme and left us all with a message worth remembering.

Well done, Lothair Class - what a wonderful celebration of learning, character and our shared school values.

OT Resources – Thank You

Thank you once again to everyone who has donated items from our Sensory Resources Wish List - your generosity continues to make a difference. The PTFA have also contributed **£500** towards further items we need, for which we are extremely grateful.

Please continue to send in any second-hand therapy bands — they are always useful! Please find the wish list links in the newsletter on Friday 13th November 2025, if you would still like to donate.

Next week, staff will take part in their third twilight training on Occupational Therapy as we develop sensory circuits and activities for each year group. Your donations will play a vital role in this work.

Parent Teacher Meetings

This week we held our final Parent Teacher Meetings of the autumn term. Thank you to all parents and carers who attended. We hope the meetings gave you a clear picture of how well your child has settled into the year and the progress they are making so far. Working together is key to helping each child achieve their full potential.

Thank You to Our Trip Volunteers

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who have volunteered on the many school trips we have run over the last few weeks - including one very chilly one in the snow!

These trips can only happen when we have enough adults to keep all children safe and we are genuinely grateful for the time and energy you give. The experiences children gain on trips are so valuable, providing memorable, hands-on learning and plenty of fun along the way. Thank you again for your support.

PTFA Events – Quiz Night and New Computing Equipment

I hope everyone who attended the PTFA Quiz Night had a brilliant evening - I've already heard wonderful feedback (including that the bar made an excellent contribution to school fundraising)!

We are also delighted that the PTFA have approved the purchase of 31 new keyboards for our computing suite - a fantastic boost to our digital learning resources.

School Governors – Strategy Review

Earlier this month, I shared that the school governors met for their annual strategy evening. We had a purposeful and productive session reviewing our five-year school strategy.

You can now find the updated strategy document on our school website.

As part of their work, governors also reviewed the school's overall vision and we will soon be reaching out to all parents and pupils to help us refresh our school logo, values and mission.

Watch this space - we look forward to hearing your views.

Medical Tracker – Please Check Junk/Spam Folders

A small number of parents have let us know that they have not been receiving Medical Tracker notifications when their children have received first aid at school.

After looking into this, we have found that some of the automated emails have been going straight to junk or spam folders. Please could all parents and carers check their junk/spam mailboxes and mark the Medical Tracker emails as 'safe' or 'not junk' so that future notifications arrive correctly. To help you, the email will be sent from noreply@medicaltracker.co.uk

Thank you for helping us keep communication clear and reliable.

Birthdays

We love celebrating birthdays in school and always make sure children feel special with kind words and recognition on their big day. However, we kindly ask that party bags, cakes, sweets or chocolates are not brought into school, including being handed out in the playground at the end of the day.

As a Healthy School, we want to promote balanced choices and avoid putting families under pressure to provide treats or gifts for whole classes. Of course, children can absolutely enjoy sweet treats - but these are best kept for celebrations at home.

If you would like to mark your child's birthday in a special way, a lovely alternative is to donate a book to the class. Your child could wrap it up and write a little message inside the cover for everyone to enjoy. This creates a lasting memory and is enjoyed by the whole class.

Scooter Racks

The new scooter racks are nearly ready to use.

Children will hear all about the routines during assembly on Monday and I will share details on ClassDojo so families know exactly how they work.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Best wishes

Emily Caldwell

Headteacher



Eco Explorers

Tom in the Ecology Explorers group has written some advice for children about how to care for birds in their garden this winter.

How to Help Birds During Winter

You can help birds in the winter by putting out food high in fat content. It needn't be expensive left overs are fine. Cooked rice and roast potatoes are excellent sources of energy for birds. A source of water is also important. Longer term, think about planting a bush such as Hawthorn. It is a great idea as it provides berries for birds during the winter months.

Ecology Expert - Tom Bentley-Herron - Rathgar

Important Dates & Holidays

Date	Time	Who is it for?	Description
Tuesday 2 nd December 2025	9am	Lavington Parents/Carers	Class Assembly – parents and carers invited to watch and stay for a cup of tea or coffee in the Food Tech room afterwards
Wednesday 3 rd December 2025	9.15am	Prospective Parents	Prospective Parent Tours – for parents/carers of pupils due to start Nursery or Reception in Sept 2026. Book a place through the school office
Thursday 4 th December 2025	7.30pm	Ticketed event	PTFA Wreath Making
Saturday 6 th December 2025	12 – 4pm	ALL	PTFA Christmas Fair
Tuesday 9 th December 2025	9am— Change to time	Leyborne Parents/Carers	Class Assembly – parents and carers invited to watch and stay for a cup of tea or coffee in the Food Tech room afterwards
Wednesday 10 th December 2025	2pm	Birkbeck Parents/Carers	Christmas Show – parents and carers invited to watch
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Thursday 11 th December 2025	ALL DAY	All children	Christmas Jumper Day and School Christmas Lunch
Thursday 11 th December 2025	2pm	Bramley Parents/Carers	Christmas Show – parents and carers invited to watch
Friday 12 th December 2025	2pm	Blondin Parents/Carers	Christmas Show – parents and carers invited to watch
Friday 19 th December 2025	Usual times for each year group	ALL	End of Term Collection
Monday 22 nd December – Monday 5 th January 2026		ALL	Christmas Holidays
Monday 5 th January 2026	All Day	ALL	Staff Training Day – CLOSED FOR ALL PUPILS
Tuesday 6 th January 2026	8.30am	ALL	School opens for all pupils – Spring Term

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR BOCCIA TEAMS

Congratulations to the Y3/4 & Y5/6 Boccia teams that represented the school this week in the borough competition. Both teams performed with craft and used clever strategies to perform so well. Well done to both teams Y5/6 winners and the Y3/4 team earning 3rd place finish.



What to do when you feel your temper rising...

We all have triggers- our children certainly do and so do we! So, what can you do when you feel your temper rising? We often feel an urgent need to DO something, but that is our emergency response system operating. Quite often, however, you do not need to DO anything... other than notice what you are feeling, breathe your way through it and restore yourself to calm before you act.



How can parents help?

First of all, know your triggers. Notice them, as well as what happens in you when your buttons have been pushed. If you can catch it early, you are more likely to feel you have a choice in your response. If no physical intervention is absolutely required (in safety situations), just hold still and breathe. Resist taking action for now and work hard to see things from your child's point of view: what do they need your help with? Finally, always choose love, not fear, set a limit but do it with empathy, move into a playful mode and always be ready to offer a hug.

Sometimes we could all do with someone to talk to.

If you would like to meet Elita Bartholomew Matthew for a confidential and non-judgemental chat about you, your child, or any other worries, they are available on Wednesdays from 9-10am.

You can call/text 07469701260 or email elita@schoolsounsellingpartnership.co.uk

Computing @ LEPS News

Gifting Tech Safely: Set It Up, Before You Wrap It Up!

With the Christmas fast approaching, new technology is often at the top of our children's wish lists, from smartphones and tablets to game consoles or other smart devices. This makes the "Set it up, before you wrap it up" campaign the most important safety action for parents each year!

The Dangers of Not Taking Ownership

If a new device requires an online account (which most do), you, as the parent, must maintain ownership and control over the device.

The risk is simple, if you allow your child to set up the device, they will often register themselves as the primary account holder/parent.

This crucial mistake means:

- **Loss of Parental Control:** Your child gains full administrative control over the device.
- **Unrestricted Access:** They can bypass security and time limits you try to implement later.
- **Inappropriate Content:** They will gain access to the full range of online content, rather than content that is age-appropriate and filtered.

Key Steps for Parents:

Be the Primary Account Holder: Before wrapping the gift, you must create the primary (parent) account yourself. This might be a Google account, an Apple ID, or a console account (like a Microsoft/Xbox or PlayStation account).

Use Family Settings: Once the primary (parent) account is set up, use the device's built-in Family Sharing or Parental Control features to create a child account for your children (under 18).

Review and Configure: Use your administrative control to set strong passwords (don't tell children password or passcodes and change them if they find out). You will also need to set screen time limits, and activate age-appropriate content filters before it goes under the tree. Some devices allow you to control your children's devices and apps from your phone.

By following these steps, you ensure the device is fun, ready to use, and safe from the moment your child switches it on. And remember, it is always okay to say "No." Whether a child is too young for a specific app or device, or if an older child (aged 13+) lacks the maturity, you have the right and obligation to deny access. Children do not always see the digital dangers, so it is up to us to keep them safe, just as you would when you ask them to hold your hand when crossing the road.

More information and help guides on setting up devices can be [found here](#):

Miss Meyer and Miss Stickland

Computing Leads



THE LEPS PTFA

CHRISTMAS FAIR 2025

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SATURDAY 6 TH DECEMBER
12 - 4PM

— ❄️ —

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FESTIVE FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!
OUR FAIR IS OPEN TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, THE MORE THE MERRIER!

❄️ **TICKET & TOKENS** ❄️

ADULTS £3.50 | CHILDREN £1
CASHLESS EVENT - TOKENS TO SPEND ON STALLS/ACTIVITIES ARE £5 FOR 10 TOKENS

TICKETS AND TOKENS AVAILABLE TO BUY ON PARENTMAIL AND ON THE DOOR

— ❄️ —

SANTA'S GROTTO - RAFFLE - BAR - CRAFTS
BBQ - CAKES - MUSIC - PRE-LOVED TOYS
CHOIR - FESTIVE ACTIVITIES - TOMBOLA
AND MUCH MORE!

PLEASE NOTE THAT
FILMING/PHOTOGRAPHY MAY TAKE
PLACE AT THIS EVENT FOR THE
PURPOSE OF PTFA MARKETING
MATERIAL. IF YOU WOULD PREFER
NOT TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED/FILMED
PLEASE EMAIL
PTFACOMMS@GMAIL.COM

PTFA LITTLE EALING PRIMARY SCHOOL
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LEPS PTFA PRESENTS

Wreath Making Workshop

THURS 4TH DECEMBER
7.30PM
£40 per person

An evening of community, creativity & festive fun

Whether you're a seasoned crafter or just want to try something new, please join us to kick off the Festive season!

Welcome drink, step by step guidance, and all materials are included to make your very own wreath - you just need to bring your Christmas spirit!

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PTFA - Upcoming Events

Wreath Making - Thursday 4th December 7.30pm

Christmas Fair - Sat 6th Dec - 12-4pm

PTFA Yr 5-6 Disco - Fri 23rd Jan - 6-8.30pm

PTFA Yr 3-4 Disco - Fri 30th Jan - 6-8.30pm

PTFA Yr 1-2 Disco - Fri 6th Feb - 6-8.30pm

PTFA Netball - Adults - Thurs 4th June - 7-9pm

Summer Fete - Sat 6th June - 12-4.30pm

PTFA Netball - Children - Sun 7th June - TBC

PTFA End of Year Party - Fri 10th Jul - 6-8.30pm

Winter 2025 Junior Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

BOOKINGS OPEN
Wednesday 12 November 2025

22 December 2025 to 2 January 2026

(Excluding Weekends, Christmas Day & Boxing Day)

Young people can book to attend up to 4 sessions,
free* across the whole programme.

GET ACTIVE try yoga, circus skills,
taekwondo, trips and visits.

GET CREATIVE with theatre, dance, filming,
cookery, and festive crafts.

GET SOCIAL have fun, meet different people
and enjoy food together.

To find out more and book your child's place, please scan
the QR code or visit www.ealinghaf.org.uk

Eligible families will be emailed directly with the
booking links shortly before
bookings open.



Contact:

HAF@ealing.gov.uk

or call **020 8825 6331**

(lines open 9am -1pm)



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