

HITHERFIELD HERALD

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Dates for the Diary

Monday 28th April – Year 1 trip to St Peters Church.

Wednesday 30th April - Parents' Evening Reception to Year 6 - 2pm – 7pm

<https://hitherfield.schoolcloud.co.uk>

Kookaburra's Parents' Evening has been postponed and will now take place on Wednesday 21st May. Appointment times will remain the same

Wednesday 30th April – Class Photo Day

Please make sure children are wearing correct school uniform

Wednesday 7th May – Koala Class Assembly and open morning 9:15am – 10:30am

Thursday 8th May – Platypus Class Assembly and open morning 9:15am – 10:30am

Friday 9th May – Kookaburra Class Assembly and open morning 9:15am – 10:30am

Monday 19th May Early Years Sports' Day 9:30am -11:30am – (Nursery and Reception) **on the school field**

Tuesday 20th May - Year 1 and 2 Sports' Day 9:15am-11:40am **on the school field**

Wednesday 21st May – Year 3 and 4 Sports' Day 9:15am -2pm **on the school field**

Wednesday 21st May - Nursery Parents' Evening **(No afternoon Nursery)**

Wednesday 21st May – 2pm – 7pm Kookaburra's Parents' Evening

Friday 23rd May – Year 5 and 6 Sports' Day 9:15am – 2pm **on the school field**

Welcome Back

I hope you had a wonderful Easter holiday and enjoyed the warmer weather and sunshine. Welcome back to the first half of the Summer Term, which is rather short due to the late Easter. We only have five weeks, four by the time you read this message. We are packing in the learning and other activities, with Sports' Days during the week of 19th May (weather permitting), Year 6 Sats week the week of 12th May and a few more class assemblies. Our curriculum runs over 6 weeks, so this half term's curriculum will continue the first week after the half term holiday.

Unfortunately, the school's budget is becoming increasingly challenging, which is why I have thrown my support into the Stop School Cuts campaign. You may remember that we made a short film to support the campaign at Hitherfield just before the Easter holiday and you can see it here:



Chris Ashley-Jones
Executive Headteacher

School drop off

Children should not arrive at school before 8:45am unless they attend breakfast club.

Year 1 and 2 outdoor area – When dropping children to class who are in Year 1 and 2, please note that they are not allowed to enter the gated area until the bell has gone at 8:55am.

Parents are not permitted to enter this space as the teachers need to welcome the children into class and complete the register promptly at 9am. **If you have any questions or inquiries please speak to the office.**

Please be mindful that lessons start promptly at 9am using the outdoor areas for PE lessons. Please leave the school site once you have dropped your child to school.

Thank you.



GOOD NEWS CARDS

Congratulations to these children who have really impressed their Teachers this week.

1 COBRA	1 DUGONG	1 SUNBIRD
Logan and Anatole	Kit and Isla	Thea and Frankie
2 MANATEE	2 MONGOOSE	2 HUMMINGBIRD
Malaika and Alice	Savanah and Fraser	To be announced next week
3 JAGUAR	3 MACAW	3 ANACONDA
Oscar and Roberto	Wilf and Frankie	Afifah and Munro
4 HIPPOPOTAMUS	4 FLAMINGO	4 CHEETAH
Amira and Athena	Albie and Akmal	Lola and Finlay
5 KINGFISHER	5 HEDGEHOG	5 OTTER
Aiyana and Isabel	Kafiya and Rafi	Theo and Rosie
6 ORCA	6 PUFFIN	6 WOLVERINE
Iris and Yasmina	Za'Leeyah and Theo	Peter and Jazeeb

* SPORTS DAY *

Monday 19th May 9:30am -11:30am - Nursery and Reception

Tuesday 20th May 9:15am -11:40am - Years 1 and 2

Wednesday 21st May 9:15am – 2pm - Years 3 and 4

Friday 23rd May 9:15am – 2pm - Years 5 and 6

All events will be taking place on the school field. Children can wear their house colour t-shirt/PE kit. If you are not sure what house colour your child is in, please contact the school office.





Lambeth Autism Advisory Service **Parent Workshop**

Anxiety, Social, Emotional & Mental Health

At St Leonard's C of E Primary School in Streatham
With Edyta Zjawiony from the Lambeth Autism Advisory Service

These workshops are for families in Lambeth who have an autistic child, or those who are on the pathway to obtaining a diagnosis.

**The session will take place on Tuesday 29th April at 10:00am – 11:30am
At St Leonard's Primary School in Streatham**

The session, Anxiety, Social, Emotional & Mental Health, will cover the following areas:

- To support children and young people in their development of SEMH.
- Understand the impact on SEMH.
- Underlying anxieties.
- Understanding anxiety and the impact on a young person's life.
- What we can do to help.

You do not need to book to attend this session, but if you would like to attend could you please email ngardner@lambeth.gov.uk so we have an idea of how many are expected to attend. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please see below for address details and transport links.

Address:

St Leonard's Church of England Primary School
42 Mitcham Lane
Streatham
SW16 6NP

Transport Links:

Bus routes: 45, 109, 133, 159 & 333
Nearest Station: Streatham



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Children in our community are in need of stable, loving homes to achieve their best future and fulfil their potential.



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Our foster mum makes sure we do our homework”
”

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Lambeth

Every day in Lambeth a new child comes into our care, and we urgently need more foster carers to give them the love and support they deserve.

Fostering means looking after someone else's child because their birth family are unable to. That can vary from short-term foster care to having a child or young people with you for a long time. As a foster carer, you'll look after children as if they were your own – in a loving home environment. You'll need to be sensitive to the challenges they'll face after separation from their families and any additional trauma they may have been through, such as abuse or neglect.

There are many different types of foster care, and we're sure there's one that works for you. For example, you could provide short-term respite care to children with disabilities to allow their parents a break. Or, if you have the space, you could help us keep a family together by caring for siblings. If you work 9 to 5, you may find it easier to foster older children who are more independent.

When you foster for Lambeth, you get:

- a **rebate of your council tax** if you are actively fostering for us
- **24-7 out-of-hours support** from a dedicated social worker and our team, 365 days of the year
- two weeks' (14 days) paid respite each year
- a **£500 referral bonus** if you refer a friend who becomes an approved, active foster carer for Lambeth
- among the **most competitive fees and allowances** in London
- Fostering Network membership and the opportunity to join our active fostering support group
- **priority** (before a private fostering agency) when a child is looking for a placement
- a thorough induction programme
- your own dedicated supervising social worker (SSW)
- ongoing training and development opportunities throughout the year
- peer mentorship to newly approved carers run by our most experienced foster carers.



Why do we need foster carers like you?

Lambeth is a diverse borough. Our children come from a wide range of backgrounds, cultures and ethnic groups. And so we need carers who are diverse too. Your sexuality, marital status, age, religion, disability and whether or not you own your home will not determine your ability to become a foster carer. However, there are a few criteria you must meet.

You need to:

- be over 21 years old
- have a spare bedroom
- be a full-time resident in the UK or have indefinite leave to remain
- have good spoken and written English

We consider applications from people who are working, but you will need to have some flexibility to meet all the needs of any child in your care.

We would love to hear from you!

If you have any questions about fostering, please contact us today for an informal chat and more information:

Call: **020 7926 8710**

Email: fosteringduty@lambeth.gov.uk

Find out more: www.lambeth.gov.uk/foster



If you would prefer to speak to someone in person, come along to one of our events. See when the next one is at www.lambeth.gov.uk/fosteringevent

The fostering process

