

LEALANDS *news*

EXCELLENCE RESPONSIBILITY RESPECT



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Upcoming Events:

22.10.25 & 23.10.25 - Presentation Evening

24.10.25 - Staff Training (School Closed)

24.10.25 - 31.10.25 - Half-Term

04.12.25 - Year 11 Parents Evening (F2F)

Headteacher's Introduction

From Mr Burridge, Headteacher

Dear Parent/Carer,

It was a great joy to hear of the success of our Year 11 leavers this year in their GCSEs. Another phenomenal year which is a real testament to the resilience and hard work of our students who had the first years of their secondary education at Lealands so disrupted by Covid. We wish them continued success in the future and look forward to hearing about their future achievements.

The first half term of this academic year looks to have been a busy one with lots of special activities and trips arranged by our staff for the benefit of all students. It's great to see the photos of Blue Peris on social media – students embracing challenge with grit and resilience. Our school continues with many sporting successes and can truly be proud to be the best in the area of PE and sport. And there is something for everyone with the Young Engineers trip to Coventry along with an extensive and ever growing range of extra-curricular clubs. The strength of the cast for this year's musical production of Mary Poppins is a real joy to see and something for us all to look forward to. It's also wonderful to read and hear about the fantastic work that our Friends of Lealands PTA are doing. The founding members have done a brilliant job giving parents and carers the opportunity to be more involved in supporting our school and the education we provide – this is really adding a special dimension to the school.

As you will be aware, I am currently unable to be in school while undergoing treatment for some serious illnesses. I'm pleased to report the treatment is going well, but it will be a long journey for me. The shock of this over the Summer has made me reflect even more on the importance of our work in preparing children and young people for life with all its joys and knocks as well as teaching them to embrace every opportunity while they have them. Despite not being in school, I have continued to keep in touch and am getting regular updates (and keeping an eye on things!). I am very grateful to all our wonderful staff, and particularly to Mr Ward and the Senior Leadership Team, who have stepped in to cover my work while I am away. I am confident that our work continues in safe hands at this difficult personal time. I would also like to thank those of you who have sent good wishes, which is much appreciated. This is my 15th year as the Head at Lealands and after so much time the school is part of my life and family, going well beyond just being a job! I miss being in school desperately and particularly the daily interactions with our students; I hope to get back to this before too long.

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you again at some time in the future.



Update From Mr Ward

From Mr Ward, Acting Headteacher



It has been a truly great start to the year, beginning in August with staff, students, and parents coming into school to collect the GCSE results. Results day marked the final school event for the Class of 2025, celebrating five years of hard work and dedication. It was fantastic to see so many smiling faces among students and staff. We are extremely proud of the students, who, as a year group, achieved outstanding GCSE results. The vast majority have progressed onto their chosen courses at local colleges or sixth forms and we look forward to hearing about their future successes. A particular highlight of this year's results was the impressive number of grade 7s, 8s, and 9s.

As most of you will know, I am currently standing in as Acting Headteacher while Mr Burrridge is away. On behalf of the whole school community, I want to thank you for your continued support and understanding during this time. We all send our very best wishes to Mr Burrridge and pray that his treatment gives the best possible results. In the meantime, I am proud to lead Lealands and will continue driving forward the school's vision and values. I would also like to thank our wonderful staff and governors who are working tirelessly to help ensure success for all our students.

As one year group leaves, we warmly welcome our new Year 7s. They have made an excellent start to their journey through Lealands and we are confident they will achieve great things over the next five years. We continue to encourage students to take full advantage of the many opportunities available to them, including a wide range of clubs—art, sewing, drama, our weekly band session, board games, and numerous sports clubs, to name a few. We also offer an Extended Learning Club for students who prefer a calm and productive space to complete their extended learning. Several exciting trips are also planned, such as the Year 7 Norfolk trip, the Panto and the ski trip to Italy in January.

The Autumn Term is always a busy one with our Year 6 Open Evening and Annual Presentation Evenings; celebrating student achievements across all year groups. Our Open Evening was a great success, welcoming over 500 visitors who enjoyed guided tours of the school. Many even returned the following week for tours during the school day. As is tradition, our fantastic student leaders—resplendent in their purple ties led the tours. Their confidence, knowledge, and enthusiasm make them outstanding ambassadors for Lealands.

Celebrating student success is always a highlight of the year, and our Presentation Evenings provide a wonderful opportunity to share this with parents. We were delighted to welcome back some of last year's Year 11s to receive special prizes donated by Lealands staff over many years. This year's event featured a performance from our upcoming school musical, *Mary Poppins Jr.*, which we are all eagerly anticipating later in the year. Our annual productions are always one of the highlights of school life.

As always, as well as ensuring that students work as hard as they can in lessons, we continue to focus on improving attendance, punctuality, extended learning, conduct and uniform standards and we truly appreciate the ongoing support of parents in these areas.

I would like to encourage all parents to attend as many parental engagement events as possible. These include parents' evenings, SEND information evenings and options and excellence evenings. We aim to ensure all parents have the information they need to support their children so if there's ever something that you would like information about, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued partnership and commitment to our school community.

Key dates for your diary:

Mark your calendars
with these key dates
- stay informed and
never miss an
important event!

- **Year 11 GCSE mock exams:** w/b Monday 20th October 2025
- **Presentation Evening (Year 11 2024-2025):** Wednesday 22nd October 2025
- **Presentation Evening (Years 7-10 2024-2025):** Thursday 23rd October 2025
- **Staff Training Day (School Closed):** Friday 24th October 2025
- **October Half-Term:** Friday 24th - Friday 31st October 2025
- **Year 11 GCSE mock exams continue:** w/b Monday 3rd November 2025
- **Year 11 Parents Evening (F2F):** Thursday 4th December 2025
- **Winter Concert:** Tuesday 9th December 2025
- **End of Autumn Term:** Friday 19th December 2025
- **Start of Spring Term:** Monday 5th January 2026

Advance Notice Of Immunisations

11/11/2025 - Y7-Y11 Flu jabs (1st session)

24/11/2025 - Y7-Y11 Flu jabs (2nd session)

9/12/2025 - Y9 DTP/Men ACWY (main session)

11/02/2026 - Y8 & Y10 DTP/Men ACWY (catch-up session)

16/04/2025 - Y8 HPV (main session)

22/06/2025 - Y8, 9 & 10 HPV (catch-up session)

Consent forms for the immunisation sessions will be sent nearer the time.

Term Dates:

Full academic term dates for 2025-2026 can be found on the school website: <https://www.lealands.luton.sch.uk/termdates>

Value of the Month

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"Taking Responsibility"



The willingness to accept responsibility for one's own actions is the source from which self respect springs.

Sports Successes & Updates

By The PE Department

Year 7 Boys Football

The Year 7 Football team started their season away vs Alameda School from Ampthill in the National Cup. This was going to be a tough one as Alameda have been together as a team from year 5 being in the 3 tier education system. Lealands started nervously with it being their first game together and were 1-0 down within 5 minutes from some miscommunication. Lealands grew into the game and equalised just before half time to make it 1-1 leaving the second half all to play for. The boys started the second half brightly and played some lovely football resulting in going ahead 2-1 and then taking the lead even further by scoring a third and putting the game out of reach at 3-1. Alameda managed to get one back late on but the boys defended well to see the game out and advance to the next round.



Round 2 saw Lealands play Simon Ball School from Bishop Stortford in our first game at home for the season. Lealands started the game really strongly and went 1-0 up in the first 10 minutes with a 30 yard strike lobbing the goalkeeper. Simon Ball pulled one back 5 minutes later from some good play and just before half time, scored to make it 2-1 through some more great footballing play. In the second half Lealands played well and created some excellent chances and it just was looking like it was not our day, hitting the post and

having two cleared off the line. Simon Ball extended their lead to 3-1 against the run of play. Moments later, an instant reply, with Lealands scoring a fantastic 30 yard strike into the top corner. Unfortunately, we ran out of time and we exited the national cup 3-2.

A great start to the season with plenty more to come in the county cup and district cup.

U16 Boys Basketball

The U16 boys basketball team started the season with a strong 47 - 36 win over Challney High School for Boys. An impressive early offensive display by Malachy and Logan, supported by strong team defensive work, enabled Lealands to sore into an early lead that was maintained throughout the game. CHSB displayed a strong fight back in the 4th quarter to bring the deficit back to single figures, but a controlled performance throughout the final stages of the game meant that Lealands were able to re-establish a comfortable score line. Well done to the team. We hope for similar performances throughout the next games.

Team - Ethan D S, Darius P, Kieran S, Elijah A, Shane H, Macaiah G L, Malachy J, Logan J, Quincy A.

Sports Successes & Updates, Cont'd

By The PE Department

U16 Netball

The U16 netball team put on a determined and hard-fought performance in their latest fixture, finishing with a well-deserved 5-5 draw against Putteridge High School. From the first whistle, both sides showed great defensive discipline, making scoring opportunities hard to come by.

The team started strongly, with confident passing through the centre court and excellent movement in attack. The shooters kept their composure under pressure, converting key chances to keep the score tight. In defence, the backline worked tirelessly to intercept passes and apply constant pressure, limiting the opposition's scoring opportunities.

As the game entered the final quarter, the score remained neck and neck. Both teams demonstrated resilience and teamwork right to the end. A late goal from our side ensured the draw, reflecting the team's never-give-up attitude.

Maddison Played brilliantly and managed to secure 4 out of 5 goals scored. Well Done Maddison!

The team should be proud of their commitment, teamwork and positive attitude on court. A solid performance and a great foundation to build on for the next match!

Well done and keep up the great work!

Year 9 Girls Football:

Our Year 9 girls won their round 1 English schools match against Monks Walk. It was a really good game, with Robyn scoring both goals to seal the win. Round 2 saw a great game against Katherine Warrington. The girls were unlucky, losing 4-2. We look forward to the County Cup and league after Christmas.

Year 8 Girls Football:

Our Year 8 girls played in round 1 of the English schools competition against Beaumont School. It was a really difficult first half, which saw the girls trailing 3-0 at half time. They regrouped fantastically to level the match at 3-3 and take it to extra time. A hard fought battle in extra time saw Beaumont score late on and take the win. A great show of resilience from the girls to keep on going! We look forward to the County Cup and league after Christmas.

Our class of 2025 deserve to be absolutely thrilled with their GCSEs

By Mr Mason, Assistant Headteacher

The Lealands High School Class of 2025 deserve to be absolutely thrilled with their GCSE, BTEC and VCert grades! The staff at Lealands are ecstatic with our GCSE results and students deserve to be too! This record-breaking year group have built on success from our very successful recent years and we are delighted with their attainment and progress. The year group have always made us proud, but this is their finest hour.

Our students worked tirelessly and achieved some fantastic results which will support them in their next steps in Year 12 and beyond.

Special congratulations go to:

- Camelia, achieved 7 grade 9s including English language and English literature and a 99 in combined science and 2 grade 8s
- Natasha, who achieved 5 grade 9s and 3 grade 8s including triple science, French and history
- Judith, achieved 4 grade 9s, 3 grade 8s and a grade 7 including English, mathematics, biology, chemistry and physics, geography and Spanish.
- Saarah, who achieved 4 grade 9s, 3 grade 8s and a grade 7 including English, mathematics, biology, chemistry and physics, Spanish and geography.

We are delighted with our students' progress, including Rahmeen, Joni, Vanessa, Ibrahim and Ciaran.



Mr Mason, Assistant Headteacher, said, "Our students have done us proud! We are delighted how they have progressed and achieved in their exams and wish them the very best for their futures. We are so pleased that their years of dedication have been rewarded with some truly outstanding results which will open opportunities next year and long into their future. Huge congratulations to the class of 2025!"

Attendance Matters: Every Day Counts!

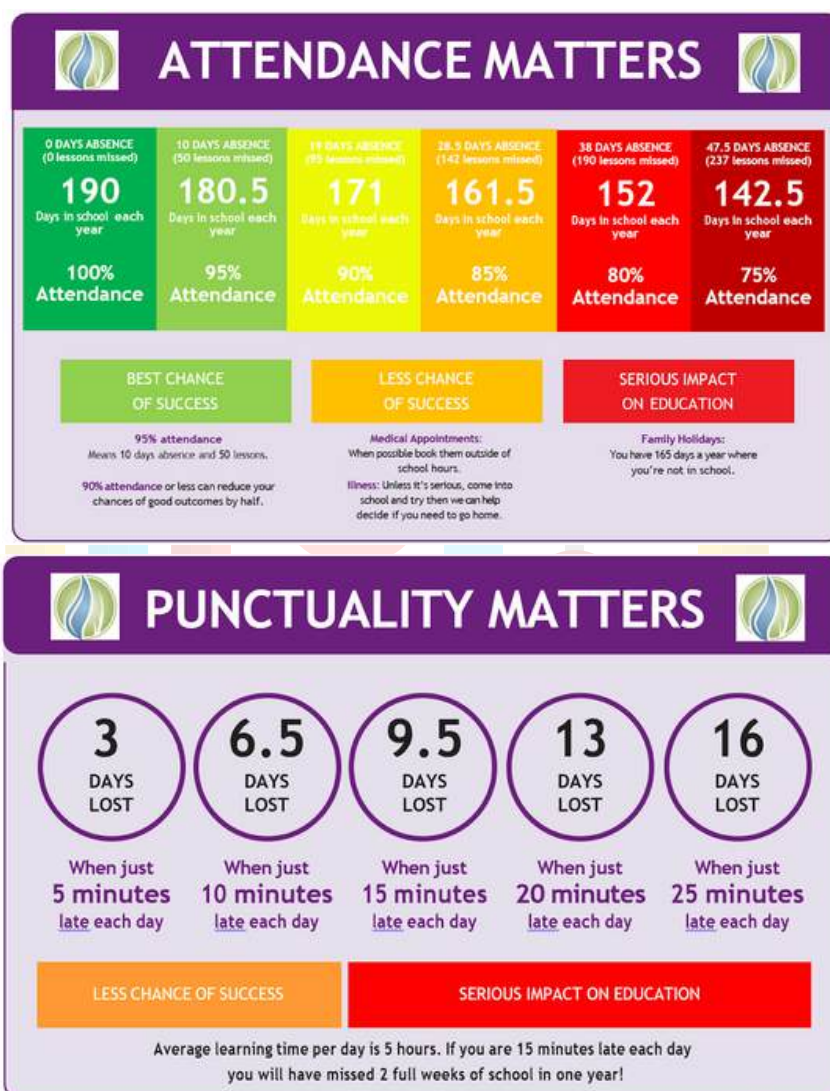
By Mrs Lloyd, Senior Pastoral & Attendance Manager

We all know that regular school attendance is key to success—not just academically, but personally and socially. It helps students stay on track, develop important life skills, and create a stable foundation for their future. Encouraging good attendance habits early on sets students up for a lifetime of opportunities and achievements. It's important to remember: every day counts.

Attendance continues to improve here at Lealands, which is fantastic and shows the dedication that our school community has to being the best they can be! Last academic year our overall percentage attendance was 1.7% greater than the National Average. We were also asked to be part of a case study for the DfE to try to support other schools to improve their attendance. This shows how hard we are all working in partnership to ensure students are in school as much as possible.

As a reminder, if your child feels unwell and you are unsure if they should be attending school, there is a helpful tool which the NHS has put together to support you in making decisions about their illness <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>. We also know that students can also feel anxious about school for a number of reasons and request that if you are concerned about this, that you contact your child's HOY/PSM or myself. We are happy to support both you and your child in managing these feelings. If you do feel your child is too unwell to attend school, please alert us via the absence line or by messaging the school via MyEd.

Finally, can I take a moment to remind you that punctuality is just as important as attendance. KS3 students are expected to be in school by 8.30am, and KS4 students by 8.55am. Every minute of learning really does count!



'Blue Ties' Start Their Lealands Journey

By Miss Walker, Head of Year 7



The Transition journey for our 'Blue Ties' started in June for most of our students. Myself and Mr Hall visited many local primary schools introducing ourselves to our new year 7's and delivering assemblies about life at Lealands, helping to ease the transition for future students. Our Transition Evening provided an invaluable opportunity for parents and students to meet key staff, including their tutors, and to ask questions about the upcoming school year. Furthermore, during Transition Day, students experienced a taste of what a typical day at Lealands is like, making the leap into secondary education feel a bit more familiar and exciting as they prepared for September.

During the summer, Mr. Payne led an engaging Summer School programme that provided students with a fantastic opportunity to explore a variety of subjects, including PE, geography, science, and art. The diverse range of activities not only enriched their learning experience but also allowed them to connect with their peers and build friendships before the school year began. Additionally, the program enabled students to meet their teachers in a relaxed setting, helping to ease any anxieties about starting a new school year.

On September 3rd, the 'Blue Ties' stepped into Lealands High School for the very first time, experiencing a whirlwind of emotions. They kicked off their day with an assembly led by myself, where we explored our core Lealands values: respect, responsibility, and excellence. I shared the exciting opportunities available to them, including a variety of extracurricular clubs, educational trips, and leadership roles that will enrich their school experience. Following the assembly, students spent time in their tutor groups, engaging in icebreaker games that helped foster connections with their peers and tutors. A significant moment of the day came when they received their Chromebooks, after which they eagerly set up their emails and Google Classroom accounts. Chromebooks are seen as vital tools and key components to enhance students' learning throughout their journey at Lealands.

Six weeks in and Year 7 are fully flying. Our 'Blue Ties' have launched into life at school with such confidence and energy. They've jumped into extracurricular clubs, stepped up as student captains, found their voice through student council, and many have earned roles in our Mary Poppins production. Staff across departments have been stopping myself and Miss Mushtaq (PSM) to share how impressed they are. Year 7 have been focused in lessons, resilient when things are challenging, and genuinely enthusiastic around the school. They're holding doors, trying new things, and setting the tone for what it means to be a 'Blue Tie'. The STEP's are on fire too! Together, Year 7 have clocked over 30,000 STEPS already for hard work, kindness, excellent manners, extended learning, correct equipment and many more, which is such a statement this early on.

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'Blue Ties' Start Their Lealands Journey

Continued...



We're so proud of them and want to give a huge shoutout to our current top ten step-earners. Your effort is being noticed and it matters. Keep going, 'Blue Ties', you're smashing it.

Inaaya H
Enxhi D
Ishaq-Mohamed B
Leah S
Marima D
Faridah U
Hiba A
Wiam El Y
Amelia J
Maariya R

Keep Our Community Safe!



Safe Driving & Parking Outside Lealands

At Lealands High School, the safety and wellbeing of our students, staff and families is our top priority. We have become increasingly concerned about unsafe parking and driving behaviours outside the school during drop-off and collection times.

Specifically, we've seen:

- Cars parking in "no parking" areas.
- Vehicles blocking the pavement, creating a bottleneck for students and pedestrians.
- Unsafe driving practices.

To help keep everyone safe, we ask where possible, if you need to collect your child by car, you do this from an area away from the school gates near to or beyond the shops in either direction.

Your cooperation is essential to ensure the safety of our community. Thank you for your understanding.

Celebrating Our ActiveLearners!

By The Languages Department

The Languages Department would like to congratulate the following students for great effort on ActiveLearn during September!

Super Effort with ActiveLearn During September (10% or more completed)			
Year 7			
Aarav G	Deborah S	Ishaq-Mohamed B	Maariya R
Adrian X	Edis R	Jacob G	Magdalena D
Aidan C	Efe Sophia O	Joshua C	Marcelina L
Alfie W	Enxhi D	Justice K	Marimar D
Ali A	Esme M	Kaitlyn F	Matthew D
Amana N	Faith D	Keanu V	Maya M
Amelia J	Faridah U	Kristiano P	Samuel M
Bethany J	Freddy A	Kupa Stanford Junior N	Samuel O
Bethany L	Henry S	Liyla-Rose M	Sophia P
Dania Aiman M	Inaaya H	Louis S	Taliyah T
Daniel G	Indi Kathryn B	Lucas D	Wiam E
Daniel Aiden W	Isabel I	Lydia Joan F	Zoha I
David I			

Super Effort with ActiveLearn During September (10% or more completed)		
Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Aaliyah W	Alexa S	Alyssia W
Aleesha A	Ami-Leigh R	Chloe J
Aya M	Kayla F	Eleanor G
Elisa I	Ruth P	Lucas T
Elizabeta P	Serene-Zuriel A	
Golden G	Sophie B	
Kayla V	Thenuli T	
Keioni S		
Lailuma K		
Minahil S		
Rebeca S		
Sumayyah A		

Celebrating Our ActiveLearners!

By The Languages Department (Continued...)

There are also several students who achieved Epraise badges this month for their overall progress, with a total of 64 badges given since the start of the year. Well done to everyone mentioned!

Remember, students can get badges at the following points -

25% - Bronze Badge - 5 extra STEPs

50% - Silver Badge - 10 extra STEPs

75% - Gold Badge - 15 extra STEPs

100% - Platinum Badge - 20 extra STEPs

Extra tasks - Extra Badge - 25 extra STEPs.

Languages teachers have given everyone 1 STEP for every 2% completed and Mr McCracken has added the badges already.

ActiveLearn E-Praise Badges Awarded During September					
Bronze - 25%			Silver - 50%	Gold - 75%	Platinum - 75%
Year 7					
Ali A	Edis R	Keanu V			
Dania M	Enxhi D	Samuel M			
Daniel W	Ishaq-Mohamed B	Samuel O			
Deborah S	Jacob G				
Year 8					
Adiba I	Ella K	Nemat S	Amanda B	Ethan E	Sarah H
Alexander C	Elliot C	Precious E	Ayana M	Sarah H	
Amanda B	Erika R	Rohan A	Danny H		
Amina D	Ethan E	Russana S	Ethan E		
Anne A	Imanah A	Sarah H	Maximilian V		
Ayana M	Keenan F	Tyler S	Rohan A		
Caitlyn B	Lewis M	Valentina B	Sarah H		
Danny H	Maximilian V	Zachary A			
Year 9					
Aaliyah W	Elizabetha P	Minahil S	Aaliyah W	Aaliyah W	
Aya M	Golden G	Sumayyah A	Elizabetha P	Elizabetha P	
Elisa I	Kayla V		Minahil S	Minahil S	
Year 10					
Ami-Leigh R	Sophie B	Thenuli T			
Year 11					
Alyssia W	Eleanor G				

'Purple Ties': Excellence, Responsibility & Respect In Action!

By Miss Cussen, Head of Year 11

Our student leaders have demonstrated exceptional dedication, maturity and school spirit throughout this term. Whether supporting day-to-day activities, helping at school events, or representing our values; they have been a credit to our community.

Their enthusiasm and professionalism shone particularly brightly during our recent Open Evening. From welcoming families at the door to guiding tours, assisting in departments, and sharing their own experiences with prospective students, their confidence and warmth made a lasting impression on visitors. Many parents commented on how approachable, knowledgeable, and passionate our students were — a true reflection of what makes our school special.

We are incredibly proud of the way our student leaders embody the school's values of Excellence, Responsibility and Respect and serve as role models to the wider school community. Their contribution to the success of our whole school events has been amazing and we thank them for their continued hard work, commitment and positivity.



Accelerated Reader for our Year 7s

By Ms Rezaei, Learning Resource Coordinator

At Lealands, we place great importance on literacy and encourage all students to carry a reading book as part of their daily equipment. Our Learning Resource Centre is open after school and during selected breaks, where students can borrow up to three books for three weeks. Please remind your child to return books on time and in good condition.

All Year 7 and 8 students take part in weekly **Accelerated Reader lessons**. They are also asked to read for **one hour at home each week** and record this in their reading log, which should be signed by a parent or carer. Reading progress is tracked each lesson and progress is shared via their reading logs so please check this every week.

Students may bring a suitable reading book from home if it's part of the Accelerated Reader programme. The website www.arbookfind.co.uk allows you to check this. For book suggestions, visit the Learning Resource Centre section of our school website or contact Ms Rezaei.

Thank you for supporting your child's reading journey — your encouragement makes a real difference!

Reading at Home

We know that reading is one of the most powerful ways to boost learning, confidence and wellbeing. Research continues to show that regular reading - both in and out of school - has lasting benefits for young people. From research, here are some key findings and a few practical ways you can help encourage reading at home.

Why Reading Matters

- Reading for pleasure is strongly linked to better literacy, vocabulary, comprehension and general academic achievement.
- A recent UK study shows that daily reading in childhood is associated with fewer emotional and attention problems later, as well as improved social behaviour.
- Enjoyment, personal choice in reading and reading as a socially connecting activity are key to sustained reading motivation.



Accelerated Reader for our Year 7s

By Ms Rezaei, Learning Resource Coordinator (Cont'd...)

Tips for parents: Supporting your teen's reading habit

- **Let them choose:** offer a variety of books and encourage autonomy in picking what interests them.
- **Share reading:** talk about what they're reading, swap book ideas and show your own reading habits.
- **Build routine, not pressure:** set aside low-stress reading times (e.g. 15 minutes each evening) rather than linking it to extended learning.
- **Create a "reading space":** make a comfy, quiet corner with access to books and minimal distractions.
- **Recognise effort:** praise progress, celebrate finishing a book and speak positively about reading as rewarding in itself.
- **Use reading as connection:** discuss characters, themes, or ask what stood out - this strengthens comprehension and engagement.

Want to read more?

You and your child can explore the full research in these accessible publications:

1. *Reading for Pleasure: A Research Overview* (Clark & Rumbold)
<https://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/ED496343.pdf>
2. *Reading for Pleasure — Scrutinising the Evidence Base* (2024)
<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/09500782.2024.2324948>
3. *Motivating Book Reading During Adolescence*
<https://www.research.ed.ac.uk/files/488751809/WebberEtal2025ERMotivatingBookReading.pdf>
4. *Children and Young People's Reading in 2024* (National Literacy Trust)
<https://literacytrust.org.uk/research-services/research-reports/children-and-young-peoples-reading-in-2024/>



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Extra - Curricular Clubs & Activities

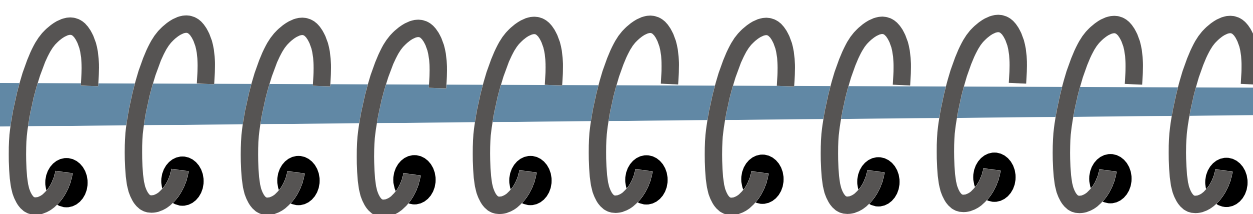
Subject	Teacher	Club	Day	Time	Venue	Capacity
 Art	Mrs Ward-Lindsay	Art Club	Thursday	3:00-4:00	Art 1	30
	Ms Reason	KS4 Art Intervention	Wednesday	3.20-4.20	Art 2	25
Engineering Design	Miss Afteb	Our Future Engineers	Tuesday	3.00-4.00	Tec 3	15
Textiles	Mr Butterfield	KS3 Sewing Club	Thursday	3.00-4.00	Tec 1	15
 Humanities	Mr White Mr Adams Mrs Mcogg-Lewis Mrs Morris	KS3 "Meanwhile, Elsewhere..." Club	Tuesday	3.00-3.45pm	Hums 2	25
Performing Arts	Mrs Fellows	Dance Company	Friday	3.30-4.30	Dance studio	30
	Mrs Fellows Mr Gillon Mrs Albert Miss Holbrook	Mary Poppins School Musical	Tuesday & Thursday	3.30-4.30	Main Hall	Cast
	Miss Holbrook	KS3 Drama Club	Friday	12.25-12.55	PA3	
	Mrs Fellows	KS4 Performing Arts Workshop	Thursday	13.30-14.00	Dance Studio	KS4 PA students
	Mr Gillon	KS4 Jam Session	Thursday	13.30-14.00	Practice Room 4	
	Mr Gillon	KS3 Band Session	Tuesday	12.25-12.55	Practice Room 4	

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Extra - Curricular Clubs & Activities

Subject	Teacher	Club	Day	Time	Venue	Capacity
 Maths	Mr Turner Mr Nadarajah	Board Game Club	Friday	3.00-4.00	Maths 7	15
MFL	Mr McCracken Mr Marie Mrs Keech Mr Taplin	Languages Extended Learning Club	Tuesday	3:00 - 4:00	Languages 2	20
PE	Miss Keefe Miss Cussen Miss Walker	All Years Girls Netball	Tuesday	3.00-4.00	Courts	
	Mr Pearson	KS4 Boys Basketball	Tuesday	3.20-4.15	Field	
	Miss Walker Miss Cussen	All Years Girls Basketball	Wednesday	3.00-4.00	Sports Hall	
	Mr Harnett Mr Gilbert	KS3 Boys Basketball	Thursday	3.00-4.00	Sports Hall	
	Miss Keefe Mr Woodroffe	All Years Girls Football	Thursday	3.00-4.00	Astro	
Student Support	Miss Ledgerd Miss Smith Mrs Beches & LSAs	Breakfast Club	Monday-Friday	8:00-9:00	Dining hall	
		Extended Learning Club	Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday	3:00-4:00	LRC	
		Student Support Break & Lunch Club	Monday-Friday	Break Times Lunch Times	Student Support	Students provided with a pass only
Year 11	Miss Cussen	Independent Study Club	Friday	3.30-4.15	Main Hall	

Year 11 GCSE Mock Exam Timetable



	PERIOD 1 9.00 - 10.00	PERIOD 2 10.00 - 11.00	BREAK 11.00 -11.27	PERIOD 3 11.27 -12.25	PERIOD 4 12.25 - 1.30	LUNCH 1.30 - 2.02	PERIOD 5 2.03 - 3.00	TUTOR 3.00 - 3.20
MONDAY 20th Oct	English Language 9.00 - 10.45			BTEC Sport 1 11.30 - 1.00			Enterprise & Marketing 2.05 - 3.20	
TUESDAY 21st Oct	Combined science - biology 9.00 - 10.15			French Writing 11.30 - 12.45 Spanish Writing 11.30 - 12.45			PE 1 2.05 - 3.05	
WEDNESDAY 22nd Oct	Maths 1 9.00 - 10.30			Geography 11.30 - 1.00				
THURSDAY 23rd Oct	History 9.00 - 10.50			Computer science 1 11.30 - 1.00 Biology 11.30 - 1.15	Clash/Mop up session			
FRIDAY 24th Oct	TRAINING DAY							
			HALF TERM					
	PERIOD 1 9.00 - 10.00	PERIOD 2 10.00 - 11.00	BREAK 11.00 -11.27	PERIOD 3 11.27 -12.25	PERIOD 4 12.25 - 1.30	LUNCH 1.30 - 2.02	PERIOD 5 2.03 - 3.00	TUTOR 3.00 - 3.20
MONDAY 3rd Nov	English Literature 9.00 - 11.15			BTEC Sport 2 12.00 - 1.30 Chemistry 12.00 - 1.45	Music 12.00 - 1.30			
TUESDAY 4th Nov	Combined science - chemistry 9.00 - 10.15			Hospitality & Catering 11.30 - 1.00 Drama 12.25 - 1.30			PE 2 2.05 - 3.05 Drama 2.05 - 3.05	
WEDNESDAY 5th Nov	Maths 2 9.00 - 10.30			Computer science 2 11.30 - 1.00 Sociology 11.30 - 1.15				
THURSDAY 6th Nov	Combined science - physics 9.00 - 10.15			Spanish Listening, Reading 11.30 - 1.15				
FRIDAY 7th Nov	Maths 3 9.00 - 10.30			Physics 11.30 - 1.15	Clash/Mop up session			
				French Listening, Reading 11.30 - 1.15				
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TUESDAY 18th Nov	Art			Art			Art	
WEDNESDAY 19th Nov	Art			Art			Art	

Don't forget to check the school website for valuable advice on revision and exam technique to help you prepare confidently!

www.lealands.luton.sch.uk/revision

Congratulations To Our Maths Maestros

From the Maths Department

Year 11				Year 11			
Class	Staff	Student	Reason	Class	Staff	Student	Reason
11N/M1	EMA	Idris H	Outstanding Work	11S/M1	MAL	Samragyee B	Outstanding Work
11N/M2	MCH	Maryam R	Consistently Meeting Expectations	11S/M2	EMA	Jahzel T	Contribution In Class
11N/M3	WCU	Rhys B	Contribution In Class	11S/M3	WCU	Selina Rama	Contribution In Class
11N/M4	JNO	Ruby	Outstanding Work	11S/M4	RAY	Shemari P.	Contribution In Class
Year 10				Year 10			
Class	Staff	Student	Reason	Class	Staff	Student	Reason
10N/M1	DSI	Daniel W	Contribution In Class	10S/M1	FDE	Gabriel M	Outstanding Work
10N/M2	ANA	Naeem A	Outstanding Work	10S/M2	RAY	Hania Arfa	Excellent Progress
10N/M3	MCH	Bartosz K	Excellent Progress	10S/M3	EMA	Ronnie G	Outstanding Work
10N/M4	PDE	Aden G	Excellent Progress	10S/M4	MAL	Amira S	Excellent Progress
Year 9				Year 9			
Class	Staff	Student	Reason	Class	Staff	Student	Reason
9N/M1	FDE	Mikael U	Outstanding Work	9S/M1	RAY	Juanita S	Outstanding Work
9N/M2	CBT	Vjola L	Outstanding Sparrs	9S/M2	ANA	Sophia D	Outstanding Work
9N/M3	DSI	Filip P	Excellent Progress	9S/M3	DSI	Sama K	Excellent Progress
9N/M4	MAL	Haze-Esiah B	Outstanding Work	9S/M4	CBT	Daniel P	Contribution In Class
Year 8				Year 8			
Class	Staff	Student	Reason	Class	Staff	Student	Reason
8N/M1	ANA	Adiba I	Contribution In Class	8S/M1	DSI	Russana S	Excellent Progress
8N/M2	CBT	Imanah A	Outstanding Sparrs	8S/M2	CBT	Isabella M	Outstanding Sparrs
8N/M3	PDE	Mason O	Excellent Progress	8S/M3	ANA	Bevirllyn O	Contribution In Class
8N/M4	MCH	Blu H	Excellent Progress	8S/M4	MAL	Baheer G	Contribution In Class
Year 7				Year 7			
Class	Staff	Student	Reason	Class	Staff	Student	Reason
7A/M1	MCH	Serenay A	Outstanding Work	7C/M1	ANA	Antonia M	Contribution In Class
7A/M2	PDE	Dennis A	Excellent Progress	7C/M2	RAY	Sianna K	Contribution In Class
7B/M1	MAL	Deborah S	Contribution In Class	7D/M1	MCH	Amelia J	Outstanding Work
7B/M2	RAY	Haifa A.	Outstanding Work	7D/M2	PDE	Aubree H	Contribution In Class

Maths Maestros September 2025

Well done to the following students who have excelled in their maths lessons.

RESPECT

EXCELLENCE

RESPONSIBILITY

Online Safety

By Mrs Allen, Safeguarding & Wellbeing Officer

We all know the internet and social media can be a positive place to catch up with friends, share tips and keep up to date, however there are some who use it inappropriately and can be a threat to young people. As parents it can be hard to keep up with all the new apps, platforms and games.

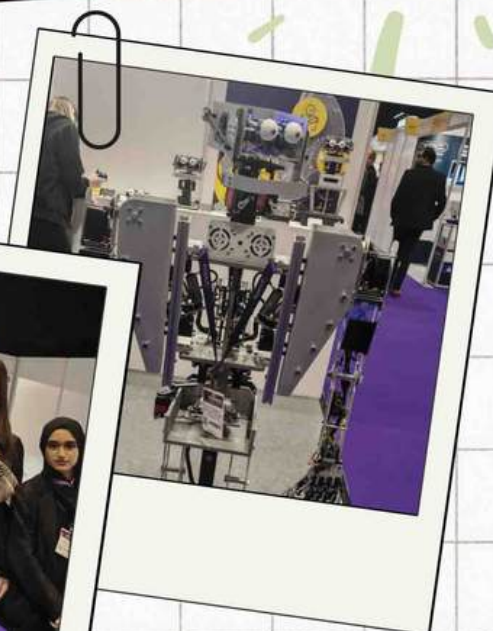
We are pleased to share the resources from National Online Safety's 'Wake Up Wednesday' campaign to raise awareness in pupils, parents and educators.

Please see our website for the weekly updates and information:

<https://www.lealands.luton.sch.uk/page/?title=Online+Safety+Advice+For+Parents&pid=136>

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FuTures Lealands
High School**ENGINEERING
DESIGN SHOW****COVENTRY 2025****What Our Engineers Have To Say....**

The trip was really fun, most people there were really talkative and kind. There were games like sonic and tap the buzzer. We also received freebies from some of the people we talked to at the stalls. Some people even talked to us about how they ended up in this career and speaking about their school/college life. They gave us items ranging from a pen and a tortoise fridge magnet to a charger and large notebook. I really encourage anyone who has the chance to, you should definitely go to this trip.

**Lealands' STEMettes****The
Plant
POT****Mr Butterfield says.....**

Acting Director of Design & Technology

What an absolute pleasure it was to witness our Lealands engineers thrive today in Coventry! Seeing them connect their classroom studies with the real world was incredibly rewarding. So many companies went out of their way to tell me how impressed they were with our students' professionalism and how well they represented the school. Their genuine thrust for knowledge was palpable; they weren't afraid to speak to everyone and soak up every bit of expertise they could. I'm truly proud of them!





Eryk taking the chance to talk to a robotic company



Our Year 9 engineers making great connections



Year 11 taking the chance to learn more about energy saving technology



It's not always business. Learning through gaming is important too!



Nottingham Trent University

Our students truly benefitted from today's valuable opportunity to engage with product designers from Nottingham Trent University. This visit gave them vital insight into the progression and next steps of their educational journey after sixth form. Seeing the university environment successfully helped them visualise their potential future in higher education and the professional design sector.



Outstanding Achievement!



We've got some incredibly exciting news and a massive congratulations to share! Our former student, Luca, has made his senior debut for Tottenham Hotspur!

It feels like just yesterday Luca was taking his GCSE exams with us in the Summer. Now, in a truly inspiring and rapid transition, he's already stepping out onto the pitch for one of the world's most famous football clubs.

Making a senior debut at such a prestigious level so soon after leaving school is a phenomenal achievement and a testament to his hard work and dedication. We are all incredibly proud to have been a part of Luca's journey and will be cheering him on every step of the way!

He's a wonderful inspiration to our current students, showing that with commitment and focus, dreams really can come true!

BBC East Visits Compass Education Centre at Lealands

Earlier this term, the Compass Education Centre at Lealands had the pleasure of welcoming a team from BBC East, who visited to learn more about the centre's work in supporting young people to re-engage with education following challenges with school attendance and engagement with learning at school.

Dr Joanne Summers, Head of Inclusion and Principal Educational Psychologist at Luton Council, was invited to speak about the growing issue of Emotion Based School Avoidance (EBSA). She shared insights into the needs of young people experiencing EBSA and discussed how schools and educational settings can provide effective support to help them return to learning.



The visit was a valuable opportunity to showcase the impactful work being done at Lealands, particularly in understanding the barriers some young may experience in relation to education at school and understand how we can support reintegration into a positive learning environment.



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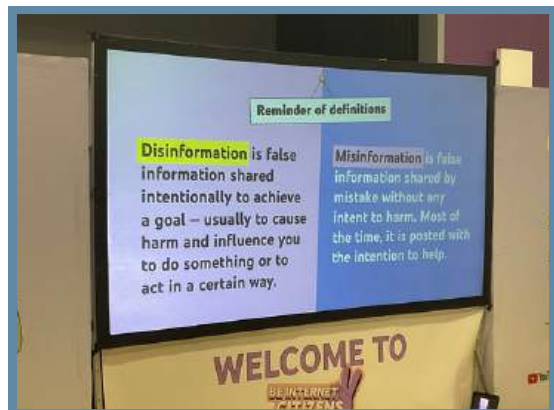
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MP Sarah Owen Joins Year 9 Digital Citizenship Workshop

By Mr White, Director of Humanities



In September, a digital citizenship workshop was presented to a selection of Year 9 students. **'Be Internet Citizens'** is a free education programme teaching critical media literacy skills and behaviours. It builds on Youtube's "Hit Pause" campaign.

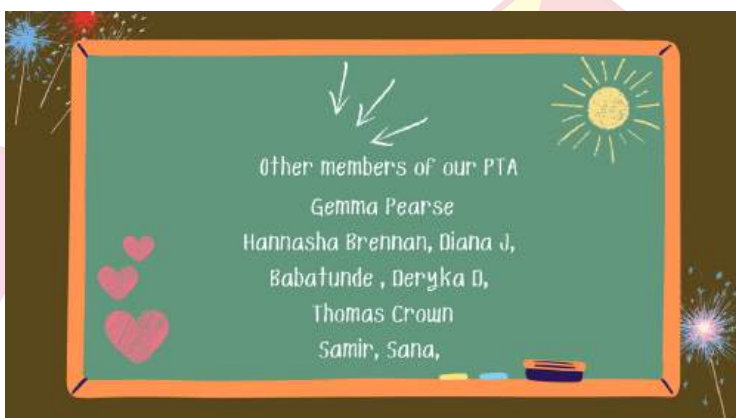
The workshop focused on aiding students to spot mis- and disinformation by checking more than one source of information, checking the original source and ensuring that they are not emotionally manipulated by the content.

The workshop led to students completing an activity to check their skills, resulting in poems, raps and online adverts to promote these skills.

Sarah Owen, our local MP, attended to speak to the students herself about the importance of the skills discussed and how young people can contact her or other political leaders regarding any issues on these matters.



Friends Of Lealands PTA



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are pleased to announce



Lealands High School
244 Sandon Park Road, Luton

£3 pupil table trip

£10 per car

£50 per van

£12 trailer

cash on entry

sellers entry 7am

buyers entry 9 am til 12 noon

Sunday 27th April 2025

email

Friends@lealands.luton.sch.uk

Money raised by Friends of Lealands PTA will be used to enhance pupils' experience at Lealands High School.

Success Stories
Car boot sales have
raised £107 and £101.50

£210 raised



Success Stories
Pre-loved uniform
promotion has been widely
accepted and utilised by
many of our new yr 7
families and current
students. Extra revenue
from printed name labels.

Helping others

£152 Donation
towards coach hire
for the Blue Perris
year 9 trip



Future Ideas !
Christmas craft fair
Roller disco
5-A-Side Football
Family Swimming
Trampolining
Easter fun day

Thames Challenge: Mr Ward & Mr Hall Raise £2,486

During the Summer, we reported that Mr. Ward and Mr. Hall took on an amazing challenge.

The pair successfully paddled a kayak 150 miles down the River Thames to Westminster to raise funds for The Stroke Association and The Alzheimer's Society, resulting in an impressive total of £2,486!

Congratulations to them both on this fantastic achievement!





MEET THE CAST!



Mary Poppins - Jess
Bert - Cyran



The Banks Family:
Winifred - Sophie
Jane - Chiara
Michael - Michael
George - Jaiden-James

WHOLE CAST REHEARSALS
TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS
3:30-4:30PM
MAIN HALL