LEESLAND C OF E FEDERATION

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‘A friend loves at all times.’ Proverbs 17:17

Dear Leesland Families

22nd October 2026

As we come to the end of the first half term of this school year, I would like to thank you all for your ongoing support. I am pleased that so many children have good attendance rates (above 95%) and come to school in the correct uniform. Thank you also for supporting homework, reading, spelling/phonics and times tables practice - these key skills and knowledge are so important in helping children make good progress across the curriculum.

School staff, governors and visitors to our school have fed back to me how impressed they are with our pupils' attitude to learning, their kindness and respect, and how they are willing to share their learning and love of school when asked for their opinions about life at Leesland. Your children are a credit to you and to our schools.

As we move into colder and wetter months, please make sure your children have suitable clothing including waterproof coats (clearly named). The mornings and early evenings are also getting darker so please make sure bikes and scooters have lights and reflectors as appropriate. Reflective strips or accessories on coats and bags are also a good idea.

We continue to encourage everyone to walk, bike or scoot to school where ever possible. If you must use a car, please make sure you park as far away from school as possible, and do so legally, safely and courteously for pedestrians, other road users and local residents.
Parking outside schools | Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary

As a Church of England Federation, we do not directly 'celebrate' Halloween. However, we know that many of you will be doing so. As an alternative, local churches are holding Light Parties for those of you who prefer this - see the posters later in this flyer for information about a couple of options.

Wishing you all a wonderful half term break. Remember we have a staff training day tomorrow (Friday 23rd October). School starts again for all children on Monday 2nd November.

Yours sincerely

Mrs C Hope,
Exectuive Headteacher

Love Grace Respect

Chartwells School Catering & FSM

After half term, Chartwells' school menus will be changing. The new menus will be shared with families as soon as they have been finalised by Chartwells.

We can advise that we will be returning on Week 1 of the menu cycle, with the following options available on Monday 2nd November:

🔴 Red – Creamy garlic pasta
🟢 Green – Cheese and tomato pizza
🔵 Blue – Infants is jacket potato with BBQ beans Juniors - Tomato pasta
🟡 Yellow – Juniors only jacket potato with BBQ beans

Medical Diets

If your child requires a medical diet to be created by Chartwells, please visit their website for further information and complete the medical diet request form:
https://www.chartwells.co.uk/media/n43jb3q0/medical-diet-request-form-aug23-v2.pdf

Free School Meals

If you believe your child may be entitled to Free School Meals and you have not yet registered, you can check your eligibility and apply online using the link below:

https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants

We encourage all eligible families to apply, as this support can make a significant difference and may also help secure additional funding for the school.

Themed Lunch - Thursday 5th November



Halloween

As Church of England schools, we don't particularly mark Halloween. However, we know lots of our families enjoy some Halloween traditions and go 'Trick or Treating'.

Please see these top tips to help make sure everyone has fun and stays safe.



Clocks Go Back This Weekend

This weekend the clocks go back by one hour, marking the start of shorter days and darker evenings. While many of us welcome the extra hour of sleep, it is also a good time to think about staying safe when travelling to and from school.

As mornings and afternoons become darker, please help your child to be visible by ensuring they wear bright or reflective clothing when walking, cycling or scootering. If your child travels independently, remind them to use well-lit routes, stay alert to traffic and avoid distractions such as mobile phones when crossing roads.

Drivers are also encouraged to take extra care during drop-off and collection times, as reduced daylight can make it harder to see pedestrians, especially on wet days.

Let's work together to keep everyone safe during the darker winter months. Thank you for your support.

Parent's Evenings

We would like to let families know that this year's Parents' Evenings will be held slightly later than usual. Please make a note of the following dates in your calendars:

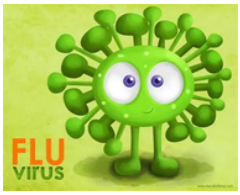
Tuesday 1st December and Thursday 3rd December

We look forward to welcoming you to discuss your child's progress and celebrating their achievements so far this year. Appointments will be booked through Arbor and further information about booking your appointment will be shared soon.

Flu Vaccine Thursday 19th November

Infant School Code SH116335 Infant Flu Vaccination Consent Form

Junior School Code SH116334 Junior Flu Vaccination Consent Form



Respond by 17th November 2026





Haven Church is bringing the LIGHT PARTY to St John's Church.
Get ready for an afternoon packed with NEON FUN!
Think silent disco, neon crafts, bright face painting, s'mores around the fire pit and SO much more! It's going to be bright, brilliant and full of fun!
📅 Monday 26th October
⏰ Choose your session: 3pm or 4pm
🎟️ Just £2 per child (adults and under-2s go FREE!)
📲 Book your place using the QR code.