



FRIDAY FLYER

“Let all that you do be done in love” Corinthians 16:14

4TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Dear Leesland Families

Welcome back to the new school year. It has been wonderful to see you all again, as well as some new faces. Children are settling well to their new classes with positive attitudes, showing our values of Love, Grace and Respect, as well as following our rules:

Be Safe

Be Ready

Be Respectful

Please make sure that all items are clearly labelled so we can return any lost property easily, and allow plenty of time for the journey to school so that everyone is in school and on time every day - this has a hugely positive impact on children's success and wellbeing in school.

I look forward to a happy and successful school year for everyone.

Please just pop into the office, give us a call or drop us a message with any questions.

Junior school families, we continue with music on the playground before school on a Friday. This term there will be a theme of music by a British music 'legend' each week. Today we started with The Beatles. Listen out for next week's pick of band or artist! There will be a suggestion box in school near the office if you have any suggestions or recommendations.

Very best wishes,

Mrs C Hope,
Executive Headteacher

Love
Grace
Respect





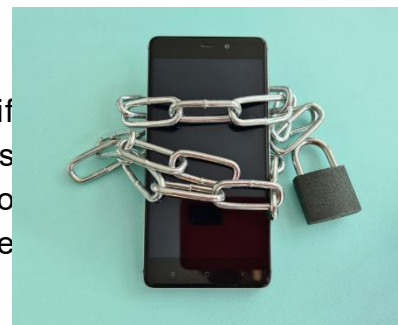
Allergy Aware School

We have a number of children across both schools with severe nut allergies. Please do not include any nut products within your child's packed lunch. This includes Nutella in sandwiches. Thank you.

Mobile Phones



Year 5 and Year 6 can bring a mobile phone to school only if they are walking to and from school by themselves. Phones should not be used on school site and must be handed into their class teacher on arrival. They will be kept safe until the end of the school day.



Water Bottles

We would like to remind all Junior families that children should bring a named water bottle to school every day. Having access to water throughout the day helps children stay hydrated and supports their learning and wellbeing.

School Attendance & Penalty Notices



If you are planning on taking your child out of school during term time please submit a request form which can be found on our website, or a paper copy can be picked up from either school office.

Penalty notices are issued to parents or guardians when a child is absent from school without authorisation. These notices are part of national efforts to ensure regular school attendance and can be issued for unauthorised holidays or other absence.

Term	Start date	End Date
Autumn 2026	1 September 2026	18 December 2026
	Half term 26 October- 30 October 2026	
Spring 2027	4 January 2027	25 March 2027
	Half term 15 February - 19 February 2027	
Summer 2027	12 April 2027	21 July 2027
	Half term 31 May – 4 June 2027	

Statutory Tests

Year 1 Phonics Tests week commencing Monday 14th June 2027

Year 4 Multiplication Times Table Check 2-week period from Monday 7th June 2027

Year 6 SATS Monday 10th May to Thursday 13th May 2027

Inset Days

Friday 23rd October 2026

Monday 4th January 2027

Friday 12th February 2027

Reporting Your Child's Absence

For safeguarding reasons, it's essential that we know if your child will be absent from school. You can easily report an absence using the 'Recording an Absence' feature on the Arbor App. When doing so, please make sure to include:

- The reason for the absence
- Specific details about why your child is unwell

This helps us accurately record and monitor attendance. Thank you for keeping us informed and supporting our safeguarding procedures.

Recording an absence

To record an absence, click on the **Quick Actions** button and then click **Attendance**.



From here, click the green **Log Absence** button in the top-right of the page.

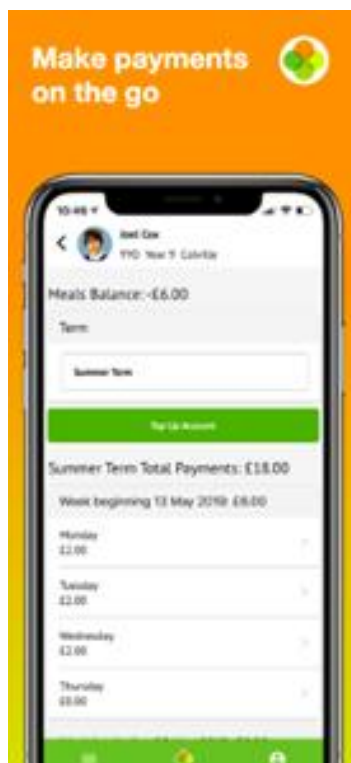
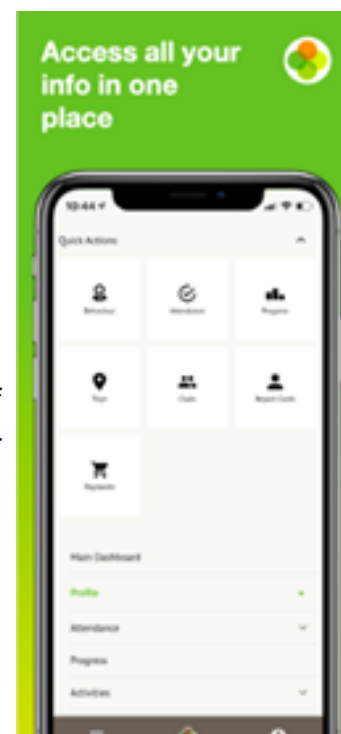
Stay Connected with Arbor



Both our Infant and Junior schools send out all reminders and important messages via Arbor email and in-app messaging.

If you're experiencing any difficulties using Arbor, the Arbor website offers clear and easy-to-follow guides to help you get started. Of course, if you still need support, please don't hesitate to contact our school office team—we're happy to help.

Staying connected ensures you don't miss any key updates, so please make sure your Arbor account is up to date and regularly checked.



Arbor Payments - Cashless School



We are a cashless school and use Arbor for all online payments across the Federation.

Please ensure you are able to access your Arbor account so you can:

- Pay for school lunches (Juniors only)
- Support the cost of school trips and educational visits
- Pay for school-run after-school clubs
- Purchase school uniform items

If you need any help accessing Arbor or setting up your account, please contact the school office.

Thank you for helping us keep our systems efficient and cash-free.

Family Support Team - Here to Help

Our Family Support Team, Tina Long and Becky Cooper, are here for you—alongside class teachers and the wider school staff.

Tina, Becky, and senior leaders are often available on the playground before and after school if you'd like a quick chat. You're also welcome to get in touch by email or phone if there's anything you'd like to discuss. If they are not immediately available, they will always do their best to get back to you as soon as possible.

They are here to support you and your child—please don't hesitate to reach out.

Helping Angels PTFA



Hopefully you are all aware that the Leesland School PTFA (Helping Angels) assists the school by running a number of events throughout the year, from ice lolly sales to Christmas discos. We would love more volunteers to continue these events, and many others.

We would love to hear from you: helpingangelsleesland@hotmail.com or speak with a current member of the PTFA.

PE Kits Be Ready, Stay Ready

All **Infant children** will continue to come into school on their allocated PE days.

All **Junior children** have their own locker, and it is our expectation that they keep their full PE kit stored there at all times.

While we do have timetabled PE lessons, we often need to be flexible due to weather conditions or other school events. To make sure your child can take part fully in all PE activities, please ensure they have their correct and complete PE kit in school every day.

Thank you for your support in helping your child be prepared and active!

Label It to Keep It!

Please ensure your child's coat, school jumper, or cardigan is clearly named.

We often have a large number of items in lost property that we're unable to return because they have no name. A quick name label or marker can make all the difference in helping lost items find their way back to the right owner.

Thank you for your help in keeping belongings out of lost property!

More Information

Our website is regularly updated with latest news, letters, Friday Flyers and calendar events.



www.Leeslandschools-fed.co.uk

