



FRIDAY FLYER

A friend loves at all times and a brother is born for adversity. Proverbs 17:17

18th September

2026

Dear Leesland Families

We have enjoyed another week with lots of learning and opportunities for our pupils. A number of children have told me how much they are enjoying their lessons (especially Maths and English) in class as well as our wider curriculum including Outdoor Learning and swimming sessions. Thank you for making sure your children have the correct and appropriate kit for the different lessons, and for following our uniform policy. We are also grateful to those of you naming all items and not sending in toys, collectables or other items that cause distractions or upset if they go missing.

As you will know, good school attendance and being on time for school is really important to make sure that all children can achieve their best. We are pleased that so many families have started the school year with good routines and being on time every day. Mrs Wigley, our Head of Schools, and our Family Support Workers (Mrs Long and Mrs Cooper) meet every week to monitor every child's attendance. The aim is for everyone to have good attendance (consistently 97% or above). If this dips, one of them may be in touch with you to offer support. We know that illness, life events and specific medical conditions can be a factor so we treat everyone as an individual; with equally high expectations. Please do let the school know if there is anything we can do to help, ideally before we see a potential issue with your child's attendance at school.

Please check diary dates and communications from our schools regularly so you are aware of events and messages. It is a statutory requirement that we have up to date contact details for at least two responsible adults for every child - you can update this on your Arbor App. Our regular Community Hub is a great event for all families and local residents so please come along if you are able to - you can bring a friend, your pre-school age children, a family member or a neighbour, they don't have to have a child at our schools to attend. It is held in our infant school hall once every three weeks and is open to everyone. Please look out for the regular flyers advertising which services are attending on different dates.

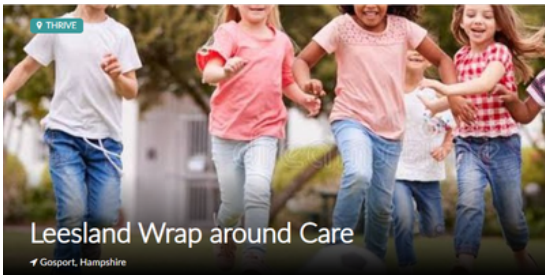
Wishing you a joyful weekend,

Mrs C Hope,
Executive Headteacher

Love
Grace
Respect

ATTENDANCE MATTERS





Wrap Around Care

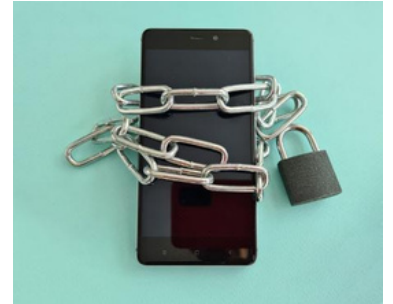
Our wraparound care, previously Woodpeckers, is rebranding to Thrive. The change is happening gradually over the coming weeks, starting with the new online booking system.

Same team, same location, same hours, and the same Ofsted registration throughout. The registration for Leesland Breakfast And After School Club, URN EY546201, can be viewed on the Ofsted website.

Mobile Phones



Only children in Year 5 and Year 6 are permitted to bring a mobile phone onto site, and only if it is absolutely necessary - we discourage children of primary school age (including Year 5 and 6) having smart phones at all.



Please see [Smartphone Free Childhood | Resources for Parents](#) for further advice and guidance. No children are permitted to have any online/smart devices during the school day. Any children in Year 5 and 6 who bring a phone to school must hand it over to the designated box during registration and it is locked away until the end of the school day. Children in other Year groups are banned from bringing any devices onto the school site at all. N.B. there are exceptional adjustments made for children with particular health needs such as diabetes who require devices to monitor their medical condition. This is managed in consultation with their medical practitioner.

Fabulous Phonics! - Parent Workshops

Help your child to be the best reader they can be!

- Find out about the Year 1 phonics screen (the official government test your child will take in Year 1)
- Learn how to help your child at home and the best way to help them if they get stuck
- Understand 'segmenting' and 'blending'
- Learn to use 'sound buttons'
- Ask questions and request further support



Wednesday 14th October at the following times: 8.45am, 2.30pm, 5pm

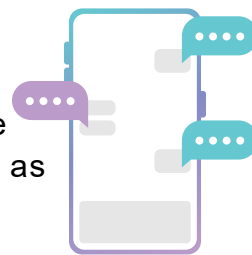
Please book a place using the following link:
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/vyLbqS59mc>

Helping Angels - AGM Wednesday 21st October 2026 at 6pm

Helping Angels (Parent, Teacher, Friends Association PTFA) are holding their AGM followed by a short meeting on Wednesday 21st October 2026. Anyone interested in being involved or helping our amazing fund raising team is invited to attend. You will be made very welcome.

We would love to hear from you: helpingangelsleesland@hotmail.com

Arbor In-App Messaging



To improve the efficiency of communications between home and school, the parent messaging and reply function within the Arbor App will be withdrawn as some recent changes from Arbor have caused complications.

We will continue to send out in-app messages with notices and reminders.

Parents and carers should continue to check the school website for the latest news, event information, and important dates. Any enquiries for the school offices should be sent via email to:

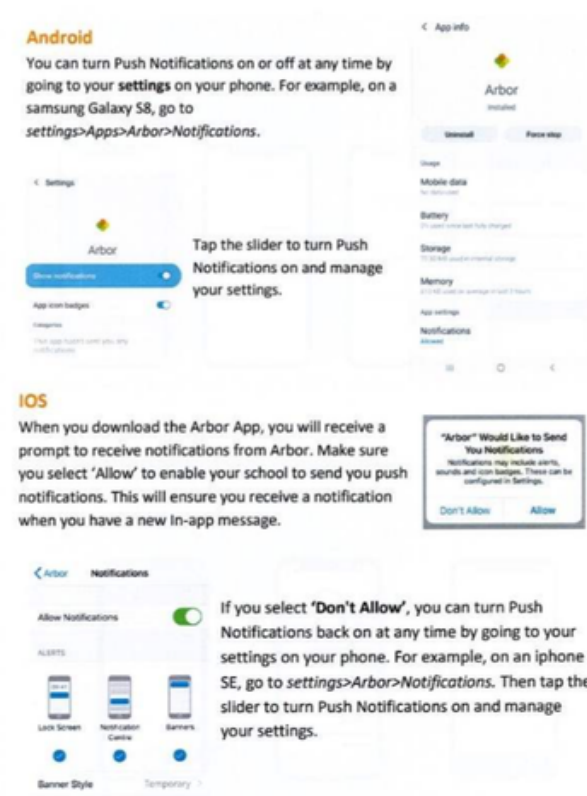
- Infantadminoffice@leeslandschools-fed.uk
- Junioradminoffice@leeslandschools-fed.co.uk

We are aware that some parents have experienced difficulties leaving messages on our telephone system. Engineers will be attending next week to investigate and, we hope, resolve these issues.

Parents will still be able to report pupil absences through the Arbor App as usual via Quick Actions - Attendance - Log Absence

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we make these improvements.

Arbor How to turn on push notifications



Gosport Half Marathon

Date: Sunday 15th November 2026

Venue: Bay House School Sports Complex, Gosport



There will also be a mass warm-up session at 8:45am led once again by Dan from Bootcamp UK, whose energy and enthusiasm proved hugely popular with the children at last year's event.

Race Times:

- 1K Fun Run (Under 12s) – 9:00am
- 2K Challenge Run (Up to 17 years old) – 9:15am

Entry Fee: £3.00 per child

Places are limited to 500 and early entry is encouraged.

Entries can be made online at: [Gosport Half Marathon | Gosport Road Runners](https://www.gosporthalfmarathon.co.uk)

For any enquiries, please contact: funrun@gosporthalf.org

Harvest Fayre

at
Leesland Junior School

Saturday 3rd October 2026
11am - 3pm

- Scarecrow Competition display
- 30+ stalls
- Hot/Cold food vendors
- Lots of 'have-a-go' stalls
- Crafts to make
- Autumn photo area
- Marshmallow roasting
- Pumpkin bowling
- Story telling
- Autumn trail
- Hospital radio
- Grand raffle

Cash entry
£1 adults
children free

Fun for all the family!

Leesland C of E School
Community

HARVEST FAYRE

CAKE COMPETITION

Show off your baking skills and help make our Harvest Fayre extra special!

FREE ENTRY!

Biscuits Show Stopper Cupcakes

Cake competition on
3rd October 2026

Leesland Schools

Scarecrow & Pumpkin Competition

Family / Individual Category

£5 entry
Pay via Arbor

Prize for the best in show!

Let's get creating.
Fun not perfection!

Leesland's Community Hub

Leesland welcomes all local families to join us at our community hub! Everyone is welcome to pop in for the toddler stay and play, free advice or just a cuppa and a chat.

LET'S TALK

Barnardo's run a variety of free workshops for families. This session will focus on baby and toddler talk. Diane Smith can also offer strategies for coping with challenging behaviours.

Where: Leesland C of E Infant School Hall
When: Tuesday 29th September 2026
Time: 8:45am - 10.15am

A member of Seals or PALS will be on hand for informal pastoral tips and guidance. They can also suggest ways to create structure and routine within the family home.

Join other adults for a cuppa and a chat. Share parenting tips, make new friends or just off load about life! We are a friendly, welcoming group and look forward to seeing new faces.