



Leo's News

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Latest News and Information from Linslade Lower School

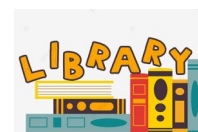
Staff Changes

At the end of this year we say 'goodbye' to Mrs Turnbull who is off on a new adventure to be a office manager at a school in Milton Keynes. We wish her lots of luck for the future.

In September, Mr Brightman will be joining us as a Teaching Assistant in Nursery.

Library Books

Please return all school library books next week. Mrs Hilson will be completing an audit of books in school and getting the library ready for the new school year.



Thank you!

End of Year Surveys

Please fill in our End of Year Surveys using the links below by Friday 17th July. Surveys are a great way to capture information about how you feel your child's year has been. They also help us improve for the future.

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Uniform for September

Please ensure you have named all items of uniform.

- Grey trousers (long or short) or pinafore dress or skirt
- Pale blue polo shirt
- Plain navy blue cardigan or jumper or sweatshirt
- White, grey or navy socks or tights
- Suitable, sturdy black shoes with laces or a bar. No trainers. Children may bring in an additional pair of trainers to wear if they play football at playtimes.



New and preloved items are available to order from the PTA. Have a look at the website for the order form.

Gardening Day

On Saturday 5th September we will be having a Gardening Day from 9.00 am until 12.00 pm to tidy and improve the environment around main school. We are also looking for some plastic grass (1.25m x 5.25m). Please email me—
hfarlam@linladelower.beds.sch.uk if you can help or have any spare plastic grass.



Safeguarding at Linslade Lower School

If you have any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing, please speak to a member of the school's Safeguarding Team. Mrs Farlam and Mrs Hogg are happy to help. You can also contact the Central Beds Council Integrated Front Door on 0300 300 8585, who you can talk to about your concerns. They will give you advice or may investigate the circumstances. All child protection calls are treated in confidence and you don't need to give your details. Everyone has a responsibility to protect children from harm.



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Helpful Support Links for Families

- The Integrated Front Door (IFD) – Provides resources and support for families ensuring they have access to the right services - [0300 300 8585](tel:03003008585)
- Children's Centres - The centre staff can offer support and advise on breast feeding, parenting, choosing childcare, FREE 2-year funded pre-school places, introducing solid food, toilet training, oral health, training/education, home safety, food parcels plus much more.
[Flitwick Children's Centre 0300 300 8111](tel:03003008111)
[Leighton Buzzard Children's Centre 0300 300 8880](tel:03003008880)
- Local Offer - If you have a child or young person with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND), then think of the Local Offer as all of the services and support available to them and you as a parent or carer. Our Local Offer website contains information about education, health and care services, voluntary agencies, leisure activities and support groups
[Central Bedfordshire SEND Local Offer](#)
- Family Information Directory - The role of our service is to help families get the most out of the information and services available in the community and online. You can use our comprehensive Family Information Directory to find services, support groups, activities, events and more.
[Family Information Directory](#)
- Domestic Abuse – If you are a survivor or current victim of domestic abuse, or are worried about your behaviour there are a number of support service available to you. Children's Centres can also offer support.
[Home | Bedfordshire Domestic Abuse Partnership](#)
- CAMHS - Is a multi-agency specialist mental health service for children and young people with complex, severe or persistent emotional, behavioural or developmental needs. They provide assessment and treatment for children and young adults up to the age of 18.
[North Bedfordshire - 01234 893301](tel:01234893301) [North Bedfordshire CAMHS](#)
[South Bedfordshire - 01525 638613/01525 638614](tel:01525638613) [CAMHS \(South Bedfordshire & Luton\)](#)

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READ to the BEAT

The **Summer Reading Challenge** is an annual challenge run jointly by The Reading Agency and public libraries. This year the challenge is **Read to the Beat**, all about being musical and ties in with the National Year of Reading 2026.

It runs **Friday 17th July to Saturday 5th September 2026**.

Children are encouraged to read whatever they choose for the challenge, recognising the importance of reading for pleasure in increasing empathy and improving well-being, as well as in children's educational success. The theme this year is all about music! Children will be able to find books linked to their favourite creative arts, and access activities at the library.



The Challenge

- Children must be members of the library service. **Join the library** [here](#) or go to your local library.
- The challenge invites children to read six library books or more during the summer holidays.
- Children can borrow books or read our e-books, magazines and audiobooks available on our BorrowBox and PressReader app. [More about e-resources](#)
- Families can sign up for the challenge at any library, at any stage in the summer from Friday 17th July.
- Children are awarded a certificate and a medal for reading 6 books.
- Children completing the challenge (6 books) will be entered into a lucky dip at their library for the chance to win a £40 voucher for The Works to buy arts, crafts and books.

Struggle with reading?

We can help!

- For dyslexia, we have collections of shorter books, with special fonts and paper – and great stories.
- The BorrowBox app has special accessibility features, which allow customers to select font, background and font size.
- Picture books aren't just for toddlers! Libraries have collections of older picture books for young readers.
- Get hooked on graphic novels (comic style books).
- Learning to read? Select from beginning to read or short chapter books
- Booklists with lots of ideas available on our Virtual Library [Books and Reading - Children and Teenagers Pages](#)
- Some children (especially boys) prefer non-fiction. Dinosaurs, transport and space are particularly popular.
- Enjoy stories through audiobooks. Free to borrow on CD or download with BorrowBox.



All libraries will have **activities** for children available throughout the summer.

All libraries offer a **Treasure Hunt** to children when they complete the reading challenge

SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS

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Christina Marks
School of Performing Arts

SUMMER HAF

PERFORMING ARTS CAMP

DANCE
 SINGING
 DRAMA
 ARTS & CRAFTS
 GAMES
 A HOT LUNCH
 HEALTHY SNACKS

& LOTS OF FUN!!

VENUE

Watling Lower School
Dunstable
Central Bedfordshire

DATES

Monday 27th - Friday 31st July
Monday 10th - Friday 14th Aug
Monday 17th - Friday 21st Aug

TIME

10am-2pm
Individual day
booking available

FREE SPACES
FOR CHILDREN
ELIGIBLE FOR
BENEFIT-RELATED
FREE SCHOOL MEALS

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Paid spaces
also
available

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TFGCD For 10% off (exp 17/7/26)

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Camouflage Activities
 Shelter Building
 Conservation
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 Outdoor & Adventure
 Archery & Axe Throwing (soft)

AGES 5 - 12

LINSLADE LOWER SCHOOL, LEIGHTON BUZZARD, LU7 2QU

Dates: 21-23 July / 3-6 Aug / 17 - 20 Aug 2026
Times: 9.00am - 3.30pm / Cost: £30 per day

BOOK ONLINE WWW.TFGCAMP.COM

LEIGHTON BUZZARD CHILDREN'S CENTRE

School Uniform Event

On the Leighton Buzzard Market
High street, Leighton Buzzard

Pre loved branded uniform, PE kits, shoes,
Trousers, skirts, dresses and much more
If you are in need of school uniform for the new school
year, come along to the market and pick up some
FREE school uniform.

Recycle, reuse and stop it all going to landfill.
Open to everyone.

Tuesday 28th July 2026

10.00am to 3.00pm



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For more information please contact us
Phone- 0300 300 8880
Email- lbcc@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk



SEND Summer Family Session

For children with SEND and their siblings
aged 4-14 years
(Various dates suitable for different ages)



Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Starting Thursday, 23rd July

Food included, activities, arts and craft and soft play.
Police liaison sessions, Food making, Sports and other visitors too

£5 for 1 Child
£3 per Sibling



HAF Program
"Free to those who are entitled to
free school meal" Please use your
code though the Central
Bedfordshire Council booking
system

info@freddieandfriends.org
www.freddieandfriends.org



For local families with Additional Needs and Disabilities



Sunday 5th July 10am - 12 pm
The Picture House - Leighton Buzzard

Breakfast Sandwich included,
Sensory toys and games available
and TVs will be on.

£5 for 1 adult/child or £8 per family

<https://www.freddieandfriends.org/upcoming-events>
Contact us via message or
info@freddieandfriends.org if you would like any more information

Barbie

Summer Workshop

- Learn Dance moves from the Barbie film
- Barbie acting workshop session
- Learn a song from the film
- Performance for parents at the end

Monday 10th August

10-1pm

£35

5 yrs & up

LIMITED
SPACES AVAILABLE

Q-Place, Leighton Buzzard

Original Barbie choreography
Led by West End Professional Sasha Wareham
appearing in The Barbie Movie.

Email to book - sashawareham@aol.co.uk

VISIT WWW.TFGCAMPS.COM FOR FULL ACTIVITY TIMETABLE





SUMMER CAMP 2026

3 COURSES 50+ ACTIVITIES

5-13 YEAR OLDS!






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- FUTURE FOOTBALL**
IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS WITH OUR FA COACHES; PLAYERS WILL FOCUS ON SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND FUN SMALL SIDED MATCHES AND TEAM CHALLENGES! WITH TOP EQUIPMENT LIKE TARGET NETS, SPEED RADAR, REBOUND WALLS, REBOUND NETS, FOOTBALL MANNEQUINS AND MORE! ALL ON QUALITY GRASS PITCHES! ALSO CHANCE TO HAVE A GO ON OUR FOOTBALL INFLATABLES - DARTS, POOL, TARGET AND BOWLING!
- FUTURE SPORTS (MULTI SPORT)**
FUN, SAFE ACTIVITIES INCLUDING; 60FT INFLATABLE OBSTACLE COURSE, INFLATABLE WRECKING BALL CHALLENGE, LASER TAG, QUIDDITCH, SCOOTERS, STREET SURFING, GO-KARTS, ARCHERY, NERF WARS, BALL GAMES, INDOOR CURLING, TENNIS, TRI GOLF, KWIK CRICKET, ROUNDERS, ATHLETICS, OUTDOOR & ADVENTURE AND MORE! WITH USE OF A LARGE FIELD, PLAYGROUND, 3G AND SPORTS HALL!
- FUTURE STARZ**
CREATIVE, FUN ACTIVITIES INCLUDING: STREET DANCE, CHEER DANCE, DISCO DANCE, MUSICAL DANCE, DRAMA, DAILY ENRICHMENT ACTIVITY, ARTS & CRAFTS, OUTDOOR NATURE EXPLORERS AND OUTDOOR YOGA, WITH THE USE OF A LARGE HALL AND LARGE FIELD!

Certificates TFG branded prizes
Sports Star Awards 50+ ACTIVITIES Daily prizes

• Please book online before your child's first day.
• Packed lunch, snacks and drinks are required.
• **Please note: all TFG Camps are nut-free zones**
• Sessions that are not attended are still charged unless 10 days notice is given.
• Booking is acceptance of our full terms and conditions found at www.tfgcamps.com





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- FUTURE FOOTBALL**
- FUTURE SPORTS (MULTI SPORT)**
- FUTURE STARZ**

Dates
MON 20 JULY - FRI 28 AUG 2026

Times
8.30AM TO 4PM

Extra time
8.00AM DROP 5.30PM STAY

Day pass
£27.50

Week pass
£130

8am drop £3
5.30pm stay £6

20% off SUMMER20
(Expires 30/6/26)

TFG10 for 10% off!
(exp 17/7/26)

Activities

- ✓ Grass Pitches
- ✓ Sports Halls
- ✓ Qualified Coaches
- ✓ Ofsted registered
- ✓ Established 16 years

Cedars Upper School
Mentmore Road, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 2AE

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Mental Health Drop-In Service

CAMHS Bedfordshire's Community Access Service (CAS)

Supporting Your Child's Mental Health

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS NOT A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS SERVICE.

If you or your child is experiencing a mental health crisis, please contact **NHS on 111 option 2**, for the mental health crisis line (all ages). In an emergency, you can also attend your local A&E.

Our community drop-in service provides young people and their families/carers with direct access to a CAMHS clinician. During your drop-in appointment, you will have a brief conversation with a CAMHS clinician to discuss your concerns. The clinician will offer advice and help you understand the most appropriate next steps and available support.

This service is for young people experiencing concerns about their mental health, and parents, carers, or family members who are worried about a young person's emotional wellbeing or mental health.



Please scan the QR code to request a space at our drop in or contact our clinic on **01582 707635** and leave your contact details and we will return your call.

You can access the CAMHS Drop-In Service at the following venues:

Dunstable 67 High Street North Dunstable LU6 1JF	Biggleswade Youth Centre (On the Biggleswade Academy school grounds) Mead End Biggleswade SG18 8JU	Arlesey Youth Centre High Street Arlesey SG15 6SJ
Flitwick Community Football Centre Amphill Road Bedford MK45 1BA	Whichello's Wharf The Elms Stoke Road Leighton Buzzard LU7 2TD	






Leighton-Linslade Town Council

NEWSLETTER

www.leightonlinslade-tc.gov.uk/council_events/

Market Event for Families

every Tuesday in the holiday

Come to the Market every Tuesday morning in August for FREE crafts, activities, face paint and balloons.

When: Tuesdays 10am - 1pm
Dates: 4 Aug | 11 Aug | 18 Aug | 25 Aug
Location: High Street, Leighton Buzzard



Canal Festival!

Saturday 25th July

Join us at Tiddenfoot Waterside Park for Canal Festival!

music
food
crafts
forest school
canal boats



When: 11am - 5pm

What's On in August

Parson's Close Rec

Yoga 9.45am and Tai Chi 2pm on the bandstand - every Saturday.



Guided Curiosity Spotter Trail Walk

 **Date: Thursday 30th July**
Time: 10am (duration 40mins)
Meet: Market Cross

There's a new Curiosity Spotter trail, for children who love a time-travel adventure. Join this free, guided walk and discover some unusual objects from the past.



Leighton-Linslade

CURIOSITY SPOTTER

