



Lavender Field provides innovative and enjoyable education, therapy and early intervention for pupils, enabling them to become independent, happy, positive and valuable members of society.

Summer 2 Newsletter 2024



I would like to thank all of our fabulous pupils and staff for a wonderful academic year at Lavender Field School. It has been a pleasure to watch our children grow and develop. Our staff team strive to provide the best possible education and care for your children. Lavender Field have been involved in many events across the academic year including holding an Easter Fayre, Summer Fayre, working alongside Cheshire Police, raising money for the Wishing Well Charity, a fabulous Ofsted report and of course multiple trips with our children. There have been many more! Our term culminated with the summer concert at Newcastle Under-Lyme Colle Performing Arts Centre which proved to be a wonderful event that encapsulated what Lavender Field School strives to achieve for your children. I would also like to wish our Year 11 leavers the absolute best of luck for their futures as they leave us at Lavender Field and turn the page for the next part of their journey. They have been an absolute pleasure, and we are proud to call them pupils from Lavender Field School. I would like to take this opportunity to wish a restful, relaxing and hugely deserved summer holiday and I cannot wait to welcome you all back to Lavender Field for the start of the academic year on Thursday 5th September.

Neil Smith

Head of School



Competitions and events!

Another extremely successful term for Lavender Field Sporting Stars who have represented the school in a range of sports. The term started with a bang with both KS2 & KS3 squads winning their Football tournament against our respective sister schools. The students explored brand new sports starting with Ultimate Frisbee where the school team came out as joint winners. In Handball both teams performed fantastic again experiencing new sporting opportunities reaching the final and achieving second place. The year's final event was the Mini Olympics, which showcased individual performances in various athletic skills. All students came away with medals by achieving podium finishes across the track and field events with the school falling short by just one point as the overall event winners. Outstanding efforts made the school very proud of its performances and attitude and well done to all involved across the term.

This term we have also hosted a school enterprise competition where classes have competed to make money for charity by hosting a stall at our summer fayre. We look forward to adding up the money raised and announcing our winning class. Thank you to all the parents and carers who have supported this initiative by attending our summer fair.



Student reporters.

School Enterprises Day

On enterprise day, each class will sell/do something to raise money for charity in school.

Here are some examples on what classes can do for enterprises.

Class: what they are doing

Rose: Game where you throw pinballs into cups

Waverley: Sell slime.

Comet: Throw wet sponge at the class/leaver

Condor: Sell jars filled with stress toys



Written by Student reporter Mr. ND



Summer concert 2024

The school concert is a yearly concert where students perform pieces of music that are designated by the teacher or requested by the students. Most songs (generally, except requested songs) are normal songs you can find on the radio or in movies. At the end of the concert is a whole school song. Last year's was "This is Me" from The Greatest Showman and this year's song is "You've Got a Friend in Me" from Toy Story. This year we did a whole school vote and this song won. Other songs in the concert included Firework, Hallelujah, Tell Me Ma (requested), William Tell, and more. Although there were a few pupils absent the majority performed. The school travelled via three busses (one was a double-decker) to Newcastle College's performing arts centre. While some students sat in the stands, most waited backstage until it was their turn to perform. The concert started at 10.30 am but parents could arrive at 10.15 am. The show ended at 11.30 am.

Reported by student reporter JC.

SIP updates.

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As a school, we continue to work relentlessly towards our school improvement plan, and I would like to share with you some of our successes:

Improvement task

- To continue to implement enterprise initiatives to include the Lavender 50 pledge to enhance independence skills.

Impact:

- All pupils were involved and were excited to welcome parents and carers into the school for an Easter Fayre. We had a fantastic turnout to this event and all classes made a profit to reinvest into the summer term initiative. All classes were asked to complete their second enterprise project for the Summer Fayre. This was done in a way that no two classes could have the same initiative.

Improvement task

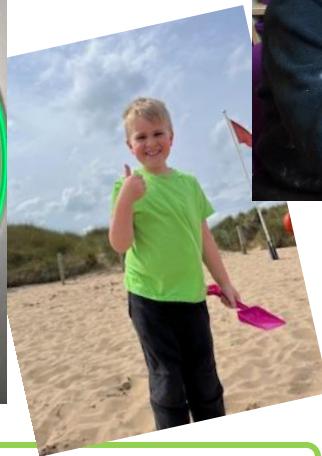
- To develop and enhance the role of Reading Lead within school in conjunction with RWI Phonics.

Impact

- 100% of pupils made progress and learned various new sounds. 52% progressed by a whole level. Two pupils progressed 2 whole levels. 21% pupils completed the RWI phonics scheme and are no longer on the phonics pathway.

IEP day

On Wednesday 4th September we will be hosting a family IEP Day. Families are invited in for a coffee and breakfast and to meet with a teacher or HLTA to discuss your child's IEP targets and progress. We look forward to seeing you.



A small selection of pictures from this half term...

