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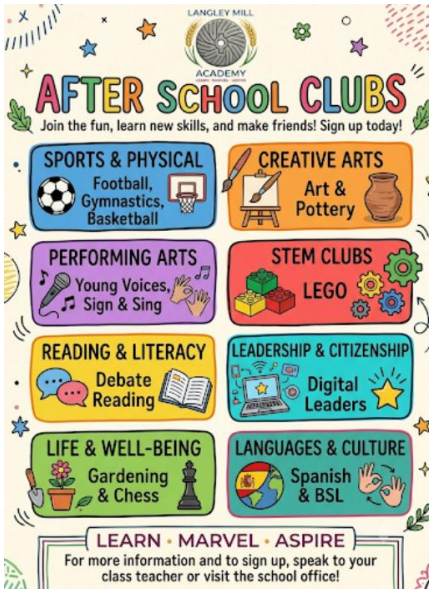
Langley Mill Academy NEWSLETTER

Friday 18th September 2026

Enrichment: Inspiring Children to Discover More

We have been working on our after-school clubs offer for this academic year. The initial clubs for the first half-term went out this week. We are proud to offer a wide and growing range of clubs and enrichment opportunities, designed to inspire children to try something new, discover their talents and interests, and broaden their horizons beyond the classroom.



Our clubs offer reflects the many different ways children can learn, create, collaborate, challenge & enjoy themselves. From football, netball, cricket, athletics, gymnastics and dance to art, pottery, photography, sewing, animation and design, there are opportunities for children to develop both new skills and their confidence.

Performing arts and STEM provision encourages children to explore creativity and innovation through choir, drama, musical theatre, orchestra, coding robots, science and LEGO. We also promote a love of language, literacy and communication through book club, creative writing and debate.

Clubs such as cooking, gardening, chess, mindfulness, wildlife and bird watching support practical life skills, wellbeing and curiosity about the world around us. Our BSL, Spanish and Culture Clubs further celebrate languages, the diverse world in which our children live.

Our ambition is for enrichment to be more than simply an after-school activity. We want every child to try something new develop passions and interests, and build the confidence to say, "I'd like to give that a try", equipping them with experiences and perspectives that will enrich their lives both within and beyond school. It is our intention to develop a year overview of clubs, so that you know what is coming up and which club(s) your child could enjoy – and I will share this with you later this year.

Mr Bland

Dates for your diary…

Fri 2nd Oct: Harvest Festival 'Bring a Tin' non-uniform day.

Wed 7th Oct: Attenborough Class Assembly: Parents & Carers of Attenborough class welcome to attend (school hall 8:30am)

Tues 13th: Great Athletes Visit - sponsored

Wed 14th Oct: Year 6 visit Eden Camp

Wed 14th Oct: Goodall Class Assembly – parents and carers welcome (school hall 8:30am)

Fri 16th Oct: Wear Red Day – show racism the red card.

20th-22nd Oct: Parents' Evening Week

Fri 23 Oct: Last day of half term (half-term break).

Mon 2nd Nov: Back to school

Tues 3rd Nov: Lea Green information evening – 4:30pm school hall.

19th Nov: Year 5 visit Tamworth Castle

18th Dec: Last day of term – Happy Christmas

4th Jan: Inset Day. **Tues 5th Jan:** First day of Spring Term

29th Jan: Year 3 visit Creswell Crags

Alongside our club activities, children will have opportunities to develop their leadership, citizenship and independence through our School Council, Eco Club and Digital Leaders programme.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

This week children have been able to apply for positions of school leadership and class votes will take place next week.

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Celebrations from home

Myla has good reason to celebrate some amazing dance success from Weston-Super-Mare: her dance team will be going to the championships next year. Myla loves her dance and attends and practises 3 times a week!

Ashley got trainer of the week at football for his hard work and determination. Ashley plays for Heanor Junior Rattlers and enjoys every match. The team won their first match of the season – a great start!

Meela received a football trophy for being a strong positive team player for Heanor Junior football team. Meela had a strong match and came very close to scoring. We wish her well for all her future matches!

Attendance

Good school attendance is above 95% (or less than 10 missed school day) per year. Good attendance helps pupils to make the most of their learning, build positive relationships and develop confidence and independence.

Overall school attendance this week was 96.9%

Our top 3 classes this week for attendance were:

- Attenborough - 100%!
- Berners-Lee - 99.13%
- Tull 98.4%

We are here to support every family with school attendance, through our pastoral team led by Mrs Naylor, alongside our Family Support Worker, Miss Robb.

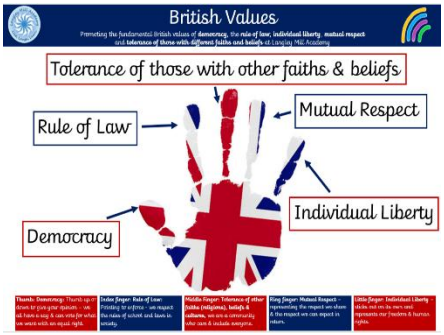
Attendance Matters

British Values in Schools

British Values are a set of important principles that help children and young people understand how we live together in a fair, respectful and democratic society. Children also need opportunities to develop the knowledge, understanding and skills that help them become respectful and responsible members of their communities. In schools, the key British Values are:

Democracy – understanding that people have a voice.

The Rule of Law – understanding why laws and rules are important and how they help keep people safe and treated fairly.



Individual Liberty – learning about our rights and freedoms, while also understanding the responsibilities that come with them.

Mutual Respect and Tolerance – respecting people with different beliefs, backgrounds, cultures and opinions, and learning to live positively alongside others.

British Values are taught through lessons, assemblies, discussions, school rules, extra-curricular activities and everyday interactions. For example, pupils practise democracy by voting for school representatives and learn about the rule of law through classroom expectations. The aim is to help every child understand their rights and responsibilities, appreciate diversity, participate in their community and contribute positively to society.

This week in our assembly, we have revised our 5 finger 'trick' to help us remember each British value.

Value Award Winners

Today we recognised the value award winners for this week.

Our Values Award winners received their certificates this week in our whole school values assembly.

Year 3:
Attenborough: **Albert – Success**
Goodall: **Riley – Success**

Year 4:
Berners-Lee: **Freddie – Aspiration**
Hadid: **Finley H – Aspiration**
Kahlo: **Quinn – Success**

Year 5:
Ayling-Ellis: **Ava - Success**
Hawking: **Henry – Empathy**
Tull: **Jacob A – Success**

Year 6
Arkwright: **Alena – Perseverance**
Gregg: **Charlie – Aspiration**
Hallam: **Reuben – Aspiration**