



Welcome to Leechpool Primary School



Inclusion Newsletter



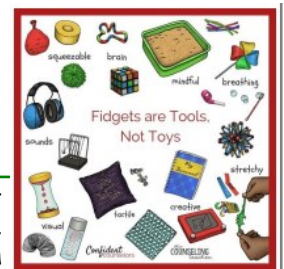
We have now started training our Year 5 and 6 Young Interpreters to work with younger pupils in school where English is an additional language. The Young interpreters visit their buddy a few times each week and share stories and different activities.

Children are using the Circles of Communication well in classes to express how they are feeling at different time of the day and are looking at ways they can self regulate. We are currently carrying our a pupil review to get some feedback on the areas they think we need to develop as a school. We will update you next term.

Emma Payne

Leechpool Primary School

Autumn Term 2 2023



In school we are promoting the idea with the children that fidgets are tools to support learning, not toys. We have a wide range of sensory tools available in school and so we ask that, unless a specific item has been pre-agreed with a member of staff, that items are not brought in from home.

Benefits of Fidget Toys



Reduces anxiety



Reduces stress



Enhances dexterity



Improves attitude



Improves coordination

To reduce the distraction for others, we are increasingly using discrete everyday objects for sensory input during listening time (e.g. Blu-Tac, pipe cleaners, ribbon, pegs, pom poms, etc.) and saving larger/noisier items for dedicated sensory breaks. Additionally, we are teaching children who need to fidget that this must be in their own space and in their lap/under the desk to minimise the impact on others.

Children will be asked to put handheld fidgets away during independent/group learning time as they need to be recording their ideas, however there are other options such as sensory cushions, available during these times if needed.

Anti Bullying Week 2023

It is National Anti-Bullying week this week,. This is something that we regularly revisit with all children at Leechpool to ensure they all have a trusted adult in school that they can talk to.

We use the diagram below to talk about behaviours and involve the children as much as possible in these discussions. It is also a good tool for parents and carers to try and unpick what is happening. Let us ensure that Leechpool is an Anti-Bullying school at all times.

anti-bullying alliance		Is it bullying?
Rude	Mean	Bullying
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unintentional • Hurtful • One-off 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intentional • Hurtful • One-off 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intentional • Hurtful • Happens more than once, even when you ask them to stop or show that you're upset

Always tell an adult in school.

the national sleep helpline

Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle with your child's bedtime?

Will your child not sleep in their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

03303 530 541

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am