



Our aim is to create a happy school where every member feels valued and able to achieve personal excellence.

Date: 5th October 2022

Ref: CV/mh/lowerschs

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 4

Re: Arrangements for Leighton Middle School Transition Events:

Open Day - Saturday 12th November 2022 - booking required

Tours Tuesday 22nd - Friday 25th November 2022 - booking required

Choosing the right school where your child will be happy and safe and there will be a wealth of learning opportunities is an exciting albeit possible stressful period for any family. All the staff at Leighton Middle are committed to your child's educational journey and going 'above and beyond' is part of our culture. We pride ourselves on being a 'happy school' where everyone is valued and encouraged to strive for 'personal excellence'.

At Leighton Middle school, we strongly feel that families being able to visit our school is not only crucial to get 'a feel of our school' but also an insight into the wonderful opportunities on offer from the plethora of daily clubs; high levels of pastoral care and specialist rooms and staff. For example, your child will have Science in a laboratory and use Bunsen burners, partaking in experiments from the word go.

We are committed to enabling face to face visits within an environment that is positive, supportive and allows, where possible, families to talk to our staff and pupils. To this end, we will be offering our tours on a booking system which, we hope will space out visits, so your experience is enjoyable and informative. Numbers will be limited for each hour slot but we have extended our Open Event from 9am - 1pm and hope your visit will be enjoyable and informative with tours spaced out through the day.

If you are unable to visit, you might like to visit our website under the 'Parent tab' where you will find our introductory videos and tours from when we ran our events virtually.

<https://www.leightonmiddle.org.uk/year-4-transition-to-middle-school/>

Open Day - Saturday 12th November 2022

Booking Arrangements

We look forward to welcoming and meeting prospective parents and Year 4 children and showing you the wonders of our school.

Parents are requested to book into one of the Headteacher talks, followed by the option of touring the school using the following link www.ticketsource.co.uk/leighton-middle-school
Bookings can be made from Friday 7th October 2022.

Parents are requested to arrive at Bridge Street no earlier than 5 minutes prior to the Head Teacher's talk. The booking code will be required on arrival where you will be welcomed into our school hall. This will be scanned and can be shown on your phone or other device or a print out.



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The Head Teacher's talk will commence at 9am and be repeated at hourly intervals. The aim of the short talk is to introduce life at Leighton Middle and will be followed by tours. Tours can be self-guided and /or with an audio guide. We aim to have some of our older students available to guide where possible. There will be staff and pupils present representing all of the subjects taught at Leighton Middle and we encourage the Year 4's to get involved with some of the practical learning experiences.

Audio Guide Option

We have created an audio guide which is optional for the Open Day tour. There will be a link available on the day to listen to the tour. Families will each need to bring their own device AND earphones to be able to listen to the audio guide.

Our canteen will be open, offering a sample of food, 'grab and go' style but will close at around 1pm.

Tours during the School Day - Tuesday 22nd November to Friday 25th November

Booking Arrangements

If you have been unable to attend our Open event on Saturday 12th November or wish to tour the school during the school day, please use the following link to book www.ticketsource.co.uk/leighton-middle-school

We have increased the number of tours available each day to enhance your visit, ideally with less people. Tours will be at 9am, 9.20am, 9.40am and 10am on Tuesday 22nd, Wednesday 23rd, Thursday 24th and Friday 25th November 2022. Booking will be required.

Please arrive at the Bridge Street gates with your booking code no more than 5 minutes prior to your tour.

You will be welcomed to the school by our staff before being taken on a short tour of our school, visiting a variety of classrooms and subjects.

The school, staff, governors and pupils at Leighton Middle look forward to meeting you at our Open event or tours. Thank you for taking the time to visit our school either virtually or in person. We are a proud and successful school with high expectations of all. It would be our pleasure to guide your child through the next stage of their education.

The most common question, we are asked is whether your child will gain a place. Whilst no school can offer guarantees, if you choose Leighton Middle as first choice you are likely to be successful. Last year all those living in catchment and a significant number of non-catchment families who chose our school successfully gained a place.

If you have any further questions, the Senior team and I will be available at our Open day and tours but if you are more comfortable contacting the school office via telephone or email, we are happy to answer questions remotely and will respond quickly.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "C Vallance", written over a horizontal line.

Mrs C Vallance

