LEIGH NEWS

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Welcome Back

We hope that you have all had a wonderful Christmas and a very enjoyable New Year. It's been a great start to the new term and we look forward to sharing with you all the wonderful things the children will be doing this term. Please continue to check the school website on a regular basis and do see me if you feel there is something missing on it. Could I take this opportunity to remind everyone that we operate an open door policy here at Leigh; you are welcome into school at any time to discuss your child's progress.

Next Week's Theme 'Canterbury Cathedral'

New Topics

The new term sees the start of new topic work for each of the classes. Details of these topics will be available on the class pages of the school website in the coming days. Plenty of trips and visits are being planned by the class teachers to support the work in the classroom and details about these events will be available nearer the time.

A Message from The British Legion…

Poppy Appeal 2017

Thank you very much for helping with our appeal.

£225.88 was collected by you.

Without your help, we would be unable to continue our vital welfare and benevolent work.

Yours sincerely

Local Honorary Organiser

Registered Charity No. 219279

KEY STAGE 2 TRIP TO THE BATTLEFIELDS OF WWI

There will be a Parent Meeting to go through all the details for our trip to Ypres on Wednesday 28th February 2018. This will be held in Jessica's Hall and will start at 8pm. Please do keep this date free if you have a child in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6). During the meeting I will go through all the details of the day and how we will be preparing the children for it. If you have a child in Key Stage 2 who does not have a passport then THERE IS NO NEED TO GET A PASSPORT SPECIFICALLY FOR THIS TRIP. We can apply for a Collective Passport for any child who does not have a passport. If you would like to add your child's name to the Collective Passport then please see Mrs Burbridge in the School Office before 9th March. Thank you.

Canterbury Cathedral Invite and Details

Attached with this Newsletter is an invite and final arrangements for the day at Canterbury Cathedral in January. If you would like to attend the concert then please print out a ticket and make a contribution of £4 to the school office. Please note that you MUST have a ticket if you are intending to attend the concert. The children will be travelling by coach together but we do have a few spaces available should any parents, grandparents or friends wish to join us. If you would like a space on the coach then please do let the school office know. On the day itself the children will need a packed lunch, coat and be dressed smartly in their school uniforms. There will be an official photographer on the day taking plenty of photographs so I will let you know when these are available. Thank you.

Grandparents Afternoon

As a reminder, our annual Grandparents Afternoon will take place on Friday 9th March 2018. Please do advise grandparents or elderly relatives to keep this date free so that they can come and spend time in school with the children. The afternoon will run from 1.30pm-3pm.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

As this term is relatively short we have decided to hold Parent Consultations in the first week after the Easter holidays to give us an opportunity to report on the children's assessments that will be taking place at the end of Term 4. Consultations will therefore take place on:

Wednesday 18th April (1.30pm-4pm)

Thursday 19th April (5pm-8pm)

Please do keep these dates free if you can for these important meetings. Thank you.

If you are unable to come down to Canterbury Cathedral on Thursday then please do come and hear the children perform their song on Monday afternoon at 1.45pm in Jessica's Hall. All are very welcome.

Clubs

The Clubs Programme starts again on Monday. Please remember that if a child has signed up for a club then it's important they attend it unless there is a good reason. We are extremely fortunate to be able to offer so many extra-curricular opportunities for the children and I'm very grateful to all of you who give up so much of your time to run clubs. For further information about clubs, please click on the link below. Thank you.

http://www.leighprimaryschool.com/Learning/Extracurricular/

Persistent Lateness

Please could we ask again that children arrive to school by 8.45am each morning. We have a very small number of children who are **persistently late** and this causes problems in the classroom as well as for the children themselves. Please remember that if a child is late it is recorded in the registers and this information is monitored by the Local Authority. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

First Aid Group

Congratulations to the following children who have completed a 2 hour first aid course over the Christmas holiday. The children all received a certificate and should be very proud of their achievement. Well done to: Connor Green, Sophie Green, Jacob Murray, Felix Murray, Esther Murray, Leo Pearson, Freya Pearson, Alex Punnett, Lola Parkin, Betsy Parkin, Stanley Simmons, Bridie Simmons, Betsy Simmons, Alfie Cochrane, Amelia Cochrane, Jacob Doyle, Isa Jones, Rosie Backlog and Seb Backlog.

Lily Clayton

Congratulations to Lily Clayton who has created this beautiful piece of artwork on volcanoes. Lily completed this with her mum at home and is wonderfully detailed as well as being beautifully presented. Really well done Lily!

Events

15.1.18	Football Match v. Penshurst (away)
16.1.18	Hawks Class to the Natural History Museum
18.1.18	Choir to Canterbury Cathedral
19.1.18	Squirrel Class Forest School
22.1.18	Netball Match v. Penshurst (away)
26.1.18	Robins Class Forest School
1.2.18	Football Match v. Four Elms (away)
2.2.18	Fruity Friday, Hawks Class Forest School
9.2.18	Fox Class Forest School, End of Term 3
19.2.18	Beginning of Term 4
21.2.18	Football and Netball Matches v. Fordcombe (away)
22.2.18	Netball Match v. Chiddingstone (away)
23.2.18	Hedgehog Class Forest School PTA Sing-a-along Musical Event
26.2.18	Netball Match v. Four Elms (away)
28.2.18	Parent Meeting for Ypres Trip (8pm)

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar