LEIGH NEWS

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BORN IN A BARN

On Tuesday and Wednesday we were treated to two fantastic performances of Born in a Barn by the Squirrel Class. They spoke, sang, danced and performed the Christmas Story with real confidence and it was a delight to see them enjoying themselves so much on stage. A huge thank you to Miss Oyler and Mrs Marsh for organising this and to all the parents who

helped with costumes.

Gallery Exhibition

Wolves Class are holding an exhibition of their artwork as part of their topic on 'Galleries'. This will be held in Jessica's Hall on Tuesday 17th December and the children's artwork will be available to purchase. Entry will be 20p for adults, free for under 11's. Please do attend this event if you can.

Christmas Trees

If you intend to buy a real Christmas tree this year please consider purchasing from Stonepitts Farm, Seal. They will make a donation to Help for Heroes and also give £2.00 to Leigh PTA for each tree sold, on production of this newsletter. For details visit www.stonepitts.com or phone 01732 762983.

PARENT WORKSHOPS

The school is working hard to ensure that communication between the school and parents is as effective as possible. After our highly successful Maths Workshops earlier in the term we have organised a series of Parent Workshops in Literacy in the New Year. These will be run by Miss Birchenall and promise to be extremely useful and informative sessions and I would urge as many of you as possible to attend. You don't need to let us know that you're coming – just turn up at Jessica's Hall.

Tuesday 14th January 9.15am Phonics Workshop Reception/Year 1
Tuesday 28th January 9.15am Phonics Workshop Year 1/Year 2
Tuesday 4th February **9.05am** Writing Workshop Reception/Key Stage 1
Monday 10th February 9.15am Reading/Writing Workshop Key Stage 2
Tuesday 11th February 9.15am Reading Comprehension Key Stage 1

Shoebox Appeal

Thank you so much to everyone who brought in a shoebox for the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. We're delighted to have received 41 in total and these will be distributed over the coming days in time for Christmas.

Next Week's Theme – 'The Christmas Story'

MIDDAY SUPERVISORS

There are days when we occasionally need cover for Midday Supervisors. If you are interested in being part of a pool of people who we contact when the need arises, please contact the school office to put your name down on the list.

PTA NEWS

Are you planning to do any online Christmas shopping?
Did you know that you can raise money for the school simply by going through the Easyfundraising Website. It only takes 2 minutes to register and costs nothing. Anyone raising money in December will be entered into a prize draw to win a £25 Cinnamon voucher and a £25 voucher will also be given to the person who raises the most. Further information can be found on:
www.easyfunraising.org.uk/causes/leighpspta
The next PTA meeting is on Monday 16th December at 1.30pm in the Genner Rooms at St. Mary's Church. All are welcome to attend.

Basketball Tournament

On Wednesday, two teams from Leigh entered the Hayesbrook Basketball Tournament against a host of other local primary schools. Both teams did fantastically well and came 3rd and 5th out of some 20 schools. Huge congratulations to both teams and to Mr Gubb and Mr Haselden for organising this.

St Mary's Church
Christmas Services
15th December 4.30pm – Christingle
24th December 4pm/6pm – Family Carols
24th December 11.15pm – Midnight Mass
25th December 10am – Family Service
All are welcome to attend

STAG Theatre Trip

This afternoon the entire school is out seeing Robin Hood at the STAG Theatre. We are planning to be back at 4.15pm but if we are going to be much later than that then I will post an announcement on the front page of the school website. We hope all the children have a thoroughly enjoyable experience and we look forward to sharing some of the photos of this trip on next week's Newsletter. Thank you.

POTTERY DISPLAY

Our fantastic Pottery Club have a superb display at St. Mary's Church until 18th December. Please do take time to go and see it if you possibly can. Huge thanks to Mrs Watson who has spent hours of her time organising this and to Lionel for allowing us to use the Church in this way. Letters for next term's Pottery Club were sent out on Wednesday so please do return these slips before the end of term so we can sort out the groups. Thank you.

Events

13.12.13	Whole school visit to the STAG Theatre
16.12.13	Football Tournament at Edenbridge PTA Meeting (1.30pm)
17.12.13	Book Club Meeting Year 6 Art Gallery Exhibition (3.30pm-4.30pm)
19.12.13	Last swim for Yrs 5&6 Open Classrooms Afternoon (3pm-4pm), Fruity Friday
20.12.13	Last Day of Term 2 End of Term Service at St. Mary's Church (2pm)
6.1.14	Term 3 begins (NO INSET day)

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar