LEIGH NEWS

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Squirrel Class Nativity

On Monday and Tuesday Squirrel Class performed their Nativity 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel'. The children were absolutely fantastic and it was a magical performance from beginning to end. Well done to all the children for putting on such a spectacular performance and many thanks to Mrs Barber, Mrs Marsh and all the parents who contributed by making such splendid costumes and props. I would also like to thank Lionel and St Mary's for allowing us to use the church. These events are extremely important in the life of the school and we were thrilled that so many of you were able to be there to see it. Thank you.

Christmas Cookery Club

On Monday after school 46 children took part in our Christmas Cookery Club run by Mrs Kirby. It was a wonderful event and the children had the opportunity to make Christmas tree cupcakes, snowman marshmallow lollies, Christmas pudding teacakes and decorate festive biscuits. Thank you so much to everyone who helped at this event and an enormous thank you to Mrs Kirby for masterminding the whole operation.

Final Arrangements for Monday

On Monday the whole school will be going to The STAG Theatre in Sevenoaks to see the pantomime 'Aladdin'. The children will need to be dropped off at the car park behind the main theatre between 9.30am-10am where there will be members of staff to greet you. **We have arranged for us to use The Plaza Suite which backs on to the car park so you should be able to drop your children off with a member of staff without having to park. The children will then need to be collected from outside The Plaza Suite at 1.30pm.** The children are invited to bring a drink and a snack for the interval should you wish them to do so and please make sure they are wearing their school uniforms as usual. Copies of the original letter can be found by clicking on the following link. Thank you.
https://www.leighprimaryschool.com/docs/Pantomime_Letter_2019.pdf

Elizabeth Rose Halfhide

I am delighted to announce that Elizabeth Rose Halfhide was born on Thursday 28th November at 10.50am. Both mother and baby are doing well and I'm sure Mrs Halfhide will be coming into school in the near future to introduce Elizabeth. In the meantime I'm sure you'd like to join me in congratulating Jenna and James on this wonderful news and wishing all three of them the best for the coming weeks and months.

Christingle Service

St. Mary's Church
15th December
4pm
ALL WELCOME

Arbor

If you haven't logged on to the parent portal on Arbor please do so as soon as possible. If you have any problems please do let us know and we will assist you. All trips and events can now be paid through this system and in time we will be using it to book parent consultations and produce termly reports.

Sports News

Basketball Competition

Last Thursday a group of children from Years 5&6 went to the Knole Academy to take part in the Sevenoaks District Basketball Competition. The children played 4 pool matches which they won 8-4, 26-2, 16-3 and 19-2. Having made it through to the final they then faced a very strong Dunton Green team but managed to win it 11-10. The children are now Sevenoaks District Basketball Champions and a huge congratulations to all of them on this terrific achievement. Many thanks to all of you who supported the team and to Mrs Barber for organising it for us.

Football Match

On Monday the football team travelled to Four Elms Primary School to play their latest league match. Despite a difficult pitch the team played superbly well and won the match 7-1. Congratulations to all the team and many thanks to all of you who came along to support them.

Grandparents Afternoon

We have now set the date for our annual Grandparents Afternoon. This will take place on Friday 6th March 2020 between 1.30pm-3pm, This event is for any grandparents or elderly relatives or friends who would like to come into school, look at the children's work and have a tour. Thank you.

Harvest Festival Update

Thanks to your generosity at the Harvest Festival Service, the Tonbridge Lions Club have made and distributed 88 hampers to local families reaching a total of over 250 people. Thank you again to everyone who contributed towards this collection and it's wonderful to see so many local people benefiting from the project.

Open Classroom Afternoon

The next Open Classroom Afternoon will take place on Thursday 30th January 2020 from 3pm-4pm. This is a really good opportunity for you to come into school and look at the work your child has been doing this year. Please do try and come along to this important event if you possibly can.

Off By Heart Poetry Competition Final

On Friday afternoon we held our annual Off By Heart Poetry Competition Grand Final. This is always a really special occasion and huge congratulations to all our finalists who were absolutely superb. Thanks also to our three independent judges, Jacqui Wordsworth, Diana Wood and Stuart Hancock for making the tough choices!

End of Term Service

The end of term service is next Wednesday at 2pm in St. Mary's Church. All are very welcome to attend.

Events

13.12.19	Fruity Friday, Christmas Jumper Day, School Christmas Lunch Squirrels Forest School
14.12.19	Breakfast With Santa in Jessica's Hall
16.12.19	Whole School Pantomime Trip
18.12.19	End of Term Service at St. Mary's Church (2pm), End of Term 2
6.1.20	Beginning of Term 3

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar