LEIGH NEWS

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Welcome Back

We hope that you have all had a wonderful Easter and a very enjoyable break. 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.

LOVE 2 DANCE

The official photos from the Love 2 Dance event are now available for you to see. These can be found by clicking on the following link https://www.dephoto.biz/Search/Search.aspx?Path=Dance\Knole%20Academy\2019\Love%202%20Dance%203rd%20and%204th%20April Once on the website you will need to enter the event code clare121 and click on 'Dance photos from 28th March'. Please note that these are the photos from all the schools participating on this day rather than just the photos of Leigh children. There is also a video which you can buy and further details of this can be found by clicking on the following link. http://www.acm-studio.co.uk/ksp/index.html

Next Week's Theme 'St. George and Patron Saints'

Chiddingstone Literary Festival

We are delighted to be taking the whole school to the Chiddingstone Literary Festival on Tuesday 8th May. It promises to be a wonderful event for the whole school with some really fun writing workshops planned throughout the day. A letter regarding this trip can be found by clicking on the following link:

https://www.leighprimaryschool.com/docs/Chiddingstone_Literary_Festival_2019.pdf

A list of books available to purchase has also been attached to this Newsletter and can be found by clicking on the following link:

https://www.leighprimaryschool.com/docs/Chiddingstone_Schools_Day_Book_List_2019.pdf

More information about the Chiddingstone Literary Festival can be found by clicking on this link

www.chiddingstonecastle.org.uk/literary-festival

PLEASE COULD WE ASK THAT ALL SLIPS ARE RETURNED BY THE END OF SCHOOL TODAY. THANK YOU.

Annual Instrumental Concert

We are holding our annual Instrumental Concert in Jessica's Hall at 5pm on Tuesday 11th June. This concert is open to any child who is learning a musical instrument and would like the opportunity to perform the music they have been working on. All are very welcome to attend this concert which should last about 45 minutes. Thank you.

Science Week

Science Week IS NEXT WEEK. The theme for this year's week is 'Healthy Lives and Healthy Choices'. We have lots of exciting events planned for the children next week and we look forward to sharing these with you in next week's Newsletter and on the school website.

Year 5&6 TRANSITION EVENT

We are very much looking forward to this year's Transition Event TONIGHT in Hedgehog Class. This is for all children in Years 5&6 and will run between 4pm and 5pm. If you know of any ex pupils who might be able to speak at this event then please do let Mrs Burbridge know. We are asking that all children in these year groups attend this event and if they are unable to do so, please do let me know today. Thank you.

CRAZY HAIR DAY

NEXT FRIDAY THE SCHOOL COUNCIL ARE ORGANIZING A CRAZY HAIR DAY TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR THE LITTLE PRINCESSES TRUST

The Little Princess Trust provides real hair wigs free of charge to children and young people up to the age of 24, who have lost their own hair due to cancer treatment and other conditions. The children are invited to come in with a wig or with crazy hair for the day and either bring in a donation on the day or make a small donation via the charity website which can be found by clicking on the link below. Thank you.

https://www.littleprincesses.org.uk/donate-money/

PTA NEWS

LeighFest needs you....

The countdown to LeighFest has begun and there are lots of ways you can get involved:

- **Jam-jars – collect up any unwanted Easter sweets into Jam Jars**
- **Boozy tombola – donate bottles for our ever-popular tombola stall**
- **Cakes – join the team of bakers cooking for the vintage tea room**
- **Raffle prizes – donate a raffle prize**
- **Volunteer on the day – let us know if you can spare half an hour to run a stall**

There will be a collection point in the school reception as usual. For raffle donations or to volunteer to bake or run a stall please contact leighprimarypta@gmail.com

Squirrel Class at Bore Place

On Wednesday, Squirrel Class visited Bore Place for the day. During the day they listened to the story of the little red hen and then made bread and yeast and ground the grain down to make whole grain flour. They then kneed it and made little red hen bread rolls and a large red hen for the whole class. In the afternoon the Squirrels investigated the farm and saw over 240 milking cows and then visited the vegetable garden and planted our own pea seeds. It was such a great day and the children were, as ever, beautifully behaved. Many thanks to all of you who accompanied us on this trip and to Mrs Marsh and to Mrs Barber for organizing it.

Building Work

During the Easter holiday we have had a huge amount of building work done around the school. As I'm sure you will have noticed, we have a new fence around the Key Stage 2 Playground and have developed that garden area at the front of the school. In addition to this we have had some painting work done, replaced much of the carpet and flooring and had all of the guttering replaced. There is still quite a lot of work that we are intending to get done during the half term and summer holiday period but it's been good to get so much done throughout these past weeks.

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

Tonbridge Dance Festival

Congratulations to Lily, Freya, Georgie-May, Isabelle and Isa who have all recently taken part in the Tonbridge Dance Festival during the Easter holiday. The girls have competed in a number of different dance categories either as soloists or in groups and have received a huge number of medals, certificates and awards. Well done to all concerned.

Events

26.4.19	Fruity Friday Hedgehogs Forest School Years 5&6 Transition Event (4pm-5pm)
29.4.19	Beginning of Science Week
3.5.19	Crazy Hair Day Hawks Class Forest School
6.5.19	Bank Holiday Monday – No Children in School please
7.5.19	Whole School visit to The Chiddingstone Literary Festival
10.5.19	Fox Class Forest School
13.5.19	Beginning of SATs Week for Year 6
17.5.19	Robins Class Forest School

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar