LEIGH NEWS

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MA Books

On Wednesday the children received their MA Books for the second time. Although it will take time for them to settle into a routine, we are confident that they will be instrumental in helping the children with their mathematics and, hopefully, will give you the opportunity to share in their learning. If you have any concerns regarding these books then please do speak with the class teacher as soon as possible as we are keen to resolve any problems as quickly as possible.

PARENT SURVEYS

Many thanks to all of you who have filled in the Parent Surveys. It's really important for us to know your views on a range of issues and the school greatly values your feedback. Please could we ask that any outstanding surveys are completed and returned by Monday at the latest. Thank you.

MUSICIAN NEEDED!

LIONEL IS LOOKING FOR A COMPETENT MUSICIAN TO HELP RUN THE MUSIC AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH. IF INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT HIM ON (01732) 832022 FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

GRANDPARENTS AFTERNOON

I am conscious that, as parents, you rightly have a lot of contact with the school. However I know that grandparents often ask if they are allowed to visit us and see what their grandchildren have been up to. I have, therefore, arranged a 'Grandparents Afternoon' on Friday 28th March, 1.30pm-3pm for all grandparents to come and spend time with us, talk to the children about their work and have a tour of the school. We'll organise some tea and biscuits for them and the staff will be around to answer any questions they might have. It would be lovely to welcome as many grandparents as possible to this event - no need to tell us you're coming, just turn up on the day. Thank you.

SUMMER PRODUCTION

This year Leigh Primary School will be performing their Summer Production at the STAG Theatre in Sevenoaks. This will involve the WHOLE SCHOOL and will take place on Wednesday 16th July at 7pm.

PLEASE DO KEEP THIS DATE FREE

Many more details will be sent out nearer the time but we will be inviting you to bring family and friends to fill up the whole theatre so please let everyone know to keep the date free!

Open Classroom Afternoon

Please do put the 13th February in your diary as it is the next of our Open Classroom afternoons. This is an opportunity for you to look at your children's books and to discuss with them the work that they have been doing this term. The children do look forward to showing you their work at these events so please try and attend this event if you can. This starts at 3pm and finishes at 4pm. Thank you.

PTA

There is no PTA meeting this month but please find below the dates of the PTA meetings for the rest of the year. We will confirm the venue nearer the time.

5th February 8pm, 3rd March 1.45pm, 2nd April 8pm, 12th May 1.45pm, 4th June 8pm, 2nd July 1.45pm.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or fancy organising an event! Many thanks.

Children's Workshop Assembly

This week the children have been treated to an assembly by the Children's Workshop. This group visit once every half term and delivered a thoughtful assembly this time all about Forgiveness. The children listened beautifully throughout and thoroughly enjoyed their visit.

WORLD BOOK DAY

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Monday 10th March. We are asking the children to dress up as their favourite author's characters and these will be discussed in class over the next few days. Children will need to bring in £2 to join in with this and all the money raised will go towards our new Library project. Each class winner will receive a book token.

Breakfast and Books!

Join us in Jessica's Hall on the 13th and 14th March at 8am for a 'Book Fair Breakfast' of bacon sandwiches, tea, coffee, fruit juice and BOOKS! You will have the opportunity to be served breakfast by some of our Year 6's whilst looking at some of the fabulous books in our Book Fair. All profits will go towards our new Library project.

Table Tennis

Leigh Table Tennis Club are looking for more members in Years 5 and 6. The club meets on a Sunday morning from 10am-12pm in Leigh Large Village Hall and there is a small charge. If interested please contact Andrew Everett on (01732) 832585 833022.

Next Week's Theme – 'Telling the Truth'

Lost Property

There is quite a lot of lost property in the container outside the front door. If you get an opportunity please would you check it to see if you can retrieve any lost clothing! Thank you.

WIN A £10 000 PLAYGROUND!

Help Leigh win a £10,000 playground. Please collect tokens from the Courier and Sevenoaks Chronicle NOW!

Tokens are appearing inside the newspaper from now but this will finish on Monday 3rd February.

We need to collect as many as possible for our chance to win this fabulous prize. Please cut out any tokens and bring them to Reception. Thank you.

STORY WRITING COMPETITION

Please encourage your children to enter our new writing competition. We are running this alongside the BBC Radio 2 writing competition and all entries will be entered for both. Entries must be an original piece of fiction and not an account of real events – either historical or current. However, stories can feature well known public figures from present day or from history (e.g. Wayne Rooney or Charles Darwin) take place in historical eras (e.g. the English Civil War) or use real-life experiences as a creative springboard as long as the story is fictional. The school winners will each receive a book token and we will publish the stories on the school website. The stories must not be longer than 500 words and the closing date for entries is Friday 21st February. It is open to children in any year group. Get writing!

KEY STAGE 2 TRIP TO THE BATTLEFIELDS OF WWI

We are excited to announce that we are taking the whole of Key Stage 2 to Ypres in Belgium to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the beginning of World War I. We will be going on Friday 20th June and will be leaving at 7am, returning at 8.30pm. Whilst there we will be visiting the Menin Gate, In Flanders Fields Museum, Tyne Cot British Cemetery, Essex Farm Dressing Station and the British Dugout Experience. A more comprehensive letter has been sent out with this Newsletter with further details for those parents of children in Key Stage 2. Please do note the late return time and we ask that you make arrangements if the children have a club on that evening with another organisation. Thank you.

PARENT WORKSHOPS

Our parent workshops continue next week. The next workshop is on Tuesday 4th February at 9.05am in Jessica's Hall. This will be a writing workshop for parents of children in Reception or Key Stage 1 (Yrs 1&2). Please do attend this event if you can.

Events

4.2.14	Parent Writing Workshop (Reception/Yr 1) Cross Country Competition
5.2.14	Kites Workshop in Fox Class
6.2.14	Quantum Theatre visiting Football Match v. Fordecombe (Home)
10.2.14	Parent Reading/Writing Workshop (Key Stage 2) Cross Country Meeting at the Mascalls School
11.2.14	Parent Reading Workshop (Key Stage 1)
12.2.14	Squirrel Class to the Honeymoon Chinese Restaurant
13.2.14	Open Classroom Afternoon (3pm-4pm)
14.2.14	End of Term 3
24.2.14	Beginning of Term 4

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar