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.

Grandparents Afternoon

As a reminder, our annual Grandparents Afternoon will take place on Friday 22nd March 2019. Please do advise grandparents or elderly relatives to keep this date free. The afternoon will run from 1.30pm-3pm.

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. We are still in need of additional helpers for football club on Friday after school and if you feel you would be able to assist with this club then please do let Mrs Burbridge know. For further information about clubs, please click on the link below. Thank you.

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

Year 5 Musical Theatre Workshop

On Tuesday, children from Year 5 participated in a musical theatre workshop at Hillview School. During the morning they took part in singing, dancing and acting workshops and put on a short performance at the end to show what they had learnt. The children had a wonderful morning and many thanks to Miss Bettridge for organizing this for the them.

Severe Weather Closure

We are getting to that time of year when there could potentially be issues with severe weather conditions affecting the school's ability to open. The school will only be closed in the most exceptional circumstances but, if there is a need to close, the first place to check will be the school website under 'Announcements' and via the school's Twitter account (@Leigh_primary). In addition a message via email will be sent out to all parents as soon as a decision is made and a message will appear on the Kent School Closures Website (www.kentclosures.co.uk). Please assume that unless you are informed otherwise that the school will remain open. Thank you.

Next Week's Theme –'Bravery – Overcoming The Challenges We Face'

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.

2019 Calendars

The PTA have produced a wonderful 2019 School Calendar. These calendars would make excellent New Year presents and can be purchased from the school office for JUST £5 EACH.

2019 Term Dates

7th January 2019 – 15th February 2019	TERM 3
25th February 2019 – 5th April 2019	TERM 4
23rd April 2019 – 24th May 2019	TERM 5
3rd June 2019 – 19thJuly 2019	TERM 6
22nd July 2019	**INSET DAY**
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2019-2020 Term Dates

2nd September 2019	**INSET DAY**
3rd September 2019 – 18th October 2019	TERM 1
28th October 2019	**INSET DAY**
29th October 2019 – 18th December 2019	TERM 2
6th January 2020 – 14th February 2020	TERM 3
24th February 2020	**INSET DAY**
25th February 2020 – 1st April 2020	TERM 4
16th April 2020	**INSET DAY**
17th April 2020	**INSET DAY**
20th April 2020 – 22nd May 2020	TERM 5
1st June 2020 – 22nd July 2020	TERM 6

Events

11.1.19	Hedgehogs Forest School
18.1.19	Foxes Forest School
22.1.19	Netball Match v. Crockham Hill (away)
23.1.19	Football Match v. Crockham Hill (away)
24.1.19	Netball Match v. Four Elms (away)
25.1.19	Fruity Friday Robins Forest School
28.1.19	Netball Match v. Weald (home) Football Match v. Hever (away)
31.1.19	Netball Match v. Ide Hill (away) Football Match v. Ide Hill (away)
1.2.19	Fox Class to Pizza Express Squirrels Forest School
6.2.19	Parent Consultations (1.30pm-3.30pm)
7.2.19	Parent Consultations (5pm-8pm)
8.2.19	Wolves Forest School
11.2.19	Netball Match v. Fordcombe (home)
12.2.19	Football Match v. Penshurst (home)
15.2.19	Fruity Friday Hawks Forest School End of Term 3

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar