LEIGH NEWS

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Bella-Rae Harper

I am delighted to announce that Mrs Harper has given birth to a beautiful little girl. Bella-Rae Harper was born on Sunday 11th February after a gruelling 41 hours of labour. Both mother and baby are doing very well and we're very much looking forward to seeing them when the time is right. Congratulations to Grant, Emma and Bella-Rae on this wonderful news.

SATs Meeting for Parents and Year 6

On Tuesday we held a meeting for parents and pupils in Year 6 regarding this year's SATs Tests. A booklet containing all the information is now online and can be accessed via the following link: http://www.leighprimaryschool.com/docs/Year_6_SATs_Booklet_2018.pdf If anyone has any concerns regarding these assessments then please do see me in the coming weeks. Thank you.

GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER

Attached with this Newsletter is the latest annual Newsletter from the Governing Body; please do take a moment to read it. The Governing Body is made up of parents, staff and representatives from the Local Authority and are responsible for the vision and strategic overview of the school. We are exceptionally fortunate to have such a hardworking and capable Governing Body and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for everything they do for the children of this school. A copy of this can also be found by clicking on the following link.
http://www.leighprimaryschool.com/docs/Governor_Newsletter_2017_2018.pdf

Homework Changes

On Wednesday a set of letters were sent home regarding homework. We have worked extremely hard to try and ensure that the homework guidelines are fit for purpose and meet the needs of the children. We would welcome any feedback on these arrangements at the next Parent Consultation evenings and you can access copies of the letters on the 'Letters Sent to Parents' section of the school website. Thank you.

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

Dance Group

Congratulations to all the children who have taken part in this year's Tunbridge Wells Dance Festival. Ella Dorward, Bella Padden, Georgie-May Moon, Izzy Richardson, Isa Jones, Freya Pearson and Lily Cook all participated in a variety of group and individual dances. The girls all received beautiful certificates, medals and a cup for their achievements. Really well done to all concerned.

Next Week's Theme 'What is Fairtrade?'

500 Words Writing Competition

Tuesday was the deadline for our 500 words writing competition. So many thanks to all the children who entered. We had some amazing entries and have thoroughly enjoyed reading them all. We will be announcing the winning entries shortly.

Leigh World Book Day

Leigh World Book Day is being held on Wednesday 7th March 2018. We are encouraging the children to come in dressed as book characters for the day and there will be various prizes on offer for all those that enter.

SPORTS NEWS

Netball Match

Yesterday the Netball Team travelled to Fordcombe Primary School to play their latest league match. It was a thrilling game and the girls played absolutely wonderfully to secure a 6-6 draw. The team were: Katie Lockton, Amelia Cochrane, Anna Lake, Emily Burns, Eva Tyrie, Poppy Gilbert-Lee and Lois Ashmore. Congratulations to the whole team on this wonderful performance and many thanks to Natalie Cochrane and Vickie Gilbert for managing the team.

Football Match

Also playing Fordcombe were the Football Team who came up against some very strong opposition in their latest league match. The boys played incredibly well and although they didn't manage to win on this occasion they can be extremely proud of the way they played. The team were: Thomas Howe-Marquez, George Sullivan, Felix Murray, Mansel Hard, Rupert Pittman, Andrew McCutcheon, Leo Pearson, Kallen Mitchell and Oliver Carolan.

Tennis

A message from Adam at Leigh Tennis Club…

At the tennis club we provide coaching for all ages and levels on Saturday afternoons from 1:30-3:30pm and Wednesdays after school from 4:15pm onwards.
If you would like any more information or to try a free taster session please contact Adam on the following,
07761 826821 or adamharrison_tenniscoaching@yahoo.com

Dance

Our new Dance Club will start this Tuesday after school in Jessica's Hall. This club is being run by the same people who are preparing the children for the Love 2 Dance event at The Stag.

MIDDAY SUPERVISOR VACANCY

We are seeking to appoint a Midday Supervisory Assistant to join our existing team to commence as soon as possible. If you would like further information then please contact Mrs Halfhide for an informal conversation.

PTA NEWS

Following a very successful year of fundraising last year and a good start to this year, the PTA has been able to fund a number of great items and projects for our school. We have been delighted to fund the following in the last few weeks:

- **£2000 to subsidise the cost of Ypres trip**
- **£500 to subsidise the cost of a KS1 trip in summer term**
- **£580 for new storage for the intervention room, adding to the new furniture already funded by PTA for the space**
- **£900 for lines and decoration of the KS1 playground, adding to the 50% funding PTA provided for resurfacing**
- **£750 for 24 Kindle Fires for use by all classes across school**
- **£400 for two outdoor display boards for playgrounds, adding to the new benches already funded by the PTA.**

Our next goal is to purchase two interactive whiteboards for Robins and Hawks classrooms which we hope to be able to fund following this week's Cockney Singalong.

None of this money would be available to our school without the hard work of our PTA team and the generous support of parents and carers. Thank you all!

Ypres Parent Meeting

On Wednesday we will be holding a Parent Meeting to cover all the aspects of our Key Stage 2 trip to Ypres. This meeting will start at 8pm and last about 40 minutes. Please do come along if you possibly can but all the information will be published on the school website by the end of next week.

Events

23.2.18	Hedgehogs Forest School PTA Sing-a-Long Event (7.45pm)
26.2.18	Netball Match v. Four Elms
28.2.18	Parent Meeting for Ypres Trip (8pm)
2.3.18	Fruity Friday Squirrel Class Forest School

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar