LEIGH NEWS

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School Choir at the Three Arts Festival

Congratulations to the School Choir who did fantastically well at the Three Arts Festival at Walthamstow Hall on Saturday morning. The choir performed two pieces: Something Spooky by Lin Marsh and Ae Fond Kiss arranged by Lee Kesselman. The choir were praised for their good, clear words, gentle contrasts and well controlled rhythms and scored 84 marks overall for their performance. I would like to thank all the children for their hard work, the parents for supporting us on the day, to Faydra Mitchell for giving up her time every week to help organise the children and to Tamsin Anderson who trains the choir every week.

Reports and Provisional Class Lists

Today the children's reports will be sent out. At the bottom of the report is the class we intend to place your child in next year. Please do not discuss this with your child at this point. You have the opportunity to express your opinion about this at the parent consultation evening on 1st July and finalised class lists will go out on 10th July.

DISTRICT SPORTS

On Wednesday evening a group of children represented Leigh at the annual District Sports event at the Knole Academy in Sevenoaks. The children competed in a number of events including the chest push, speed bounce, fireman's chain, tunnel ball and the relay races. All the children competed brilliantly and had a thoroughly enjoyable evening. Many thanks to all the children for representing the school so well and to Mr Matthews for organising the team.

PTA NEWS

The next Fruity Friday will be on Friday 17th July (cherries).
We are holding a Barn Dance on Saturday 5th September in the marquee on the Village Green (after the Superstars event). If anyone can help with the loan of some lighting and hay bales then please contact Lyndsey O'Neill. The event is open to anyone in the village and tickets will be available very shortly.

RESPONSE TO PARENT SURVEY

Attached to this Newsletter is a response to some of the issues and concerns that were raised in the most recent parent survey. It's important that the school listens carefully to the messages of this and react, when appropriate, to ensure these matters are dealt with. A copy of this response is also available on the school website under 'Parents; Pupil and Parent Surveys.

Mary Poppins Front Cover

Congratulations to Anna Lake who has won our competition to design the front cover for the Mary Poppins programme. Programmes will be available to buy on the night for £2 each. Well done Anna.

Knife Club

Knife club has recently started at Leigh. The children who attend this club have excelled at whittling at Forest School and also proved an aptitude for listening and following the Forest School protocols. It helps develop the children's ability to risk assess while improving their fine motor and communication skills. The club is open to three participants at a time and runs on a Tuesday lunchtime fortnightly. The participants belong to the club for a term then new children will be allowed a turn. This term Sam Barker, Pier Ypma and Andrew Saunders have made mallets and whistles. If your child has expressed an interest in joining knife club then please let Mrs Murray know and she will add them to her assessment list!

Ipads

This week we have received 5 brand new ipads. These are the result of a very generous donation from the PTA and the children will start using them next week. We are working hard to ensure the ICT provision in the school is fit for purpose and these ipads go a long way towards meeting that goal. We are extremely grateful to the PTA for this donation and thank all those who work so hard behind the scenes to make this happen.

School Choir at the Church Fete

On Saturday the school choir are performing at the church fete. Please could the children assemble at 2.25pm ready to start singing at 2.30pm. The children do not need to be in their school uniforms or bring anything with them and should be free to leave by 3pm at the latest. Thank you.

Local friendly football club are looking for players

Weald Wolves FC is a very friendly local football team currently recruiting players to join their ranks next season, ages from U8 upward through to Year 6 and beyond to U18. This is a fantastic opportunity to build confidence with new skills, fitness and friendships. They are holding a trials day on Saturday 27th June from 10am at Knole Academy 3G sports pitch. For more information and to book a trial, please contact:
Andy Ginno: mob 07889 615639, email today@talktalk.net, or
Andrew Berger-North: mob 07900 950024, email ajbn@btinternet.com

Next Week's Theme –'Being Thankful For What We Have'

Roman Topic Work

Rachel Hickson has recently finished making this wonderful Roman soldier's infantry helmet and spear. Rachel designed them first and then made them using papier mache. The children in Badger Class have been studying the Romans and to prepare them for the topic they had to specifically look at an area of Roman life and create something for a display.

St Mary's Garden Fete

Lionel and Clare Kevis invite you to a Garden Fete in the Vicarage garden TOMORROW from 2pm-4pm. The school choir will be performing at 2.30pm and there will be soloists from the school performing at 3.30pm. Do come along and support us!

Curriculum Evening – Tuesday 29th September

We will be holding a Curriculum Evening on Tuesday 29th September from 3pm-7pm. During the evening you will have the opportunity to look at many of the resources we use in school including the creative curriculum topics for the year, the handwriting scheme, maths resources and the marking policy. At three points in the evening (3pm, 5pm and 6pm) I will also talk about the new assessment procedure and how we will be reporting progress and achievement from September. All are very welcome to attend this event which will be held in Jessica's Hall. The annual autumn term workshops in maths and English will carry on as normal and dates for these will be published by the end of term.

Events

27.6.15	School Choir singing at the Church Fete
29.6.15	Some Year 6 children to Wimbledon
1.7.15	Parent Consultations
3.7.15	New Entrants Taster Afternoon
7.7.15	Acorns visit to Evolution Climbing Centre
8.7.15	Triathlon Day at Hever Castle Owl Class at Bough Beech
9.7.15	New Entrants Taster Morning Year 6 Leavers Party
10.7.15	Finalised Class Lists sent to Parents
11.7.15	PTA Family Fun Day

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar