LEIGH NEWS

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MUSIC SUCCESS

Congratulations to Michael Lake, Skye Newman and Amelia Bell who have all recently taken ABRSM Piano Grade 1 exams. All three passed with flying colours and did themselves proud. Amelia's favourite piece was Fugue by Alex Rowley whilst Michael and Skye both favoured Chattanooga Choo Choo by Harry Warren and Mack Gordon. Well done to all three of them.

SUPERHEROES DAY

As Children in Need fell on a day when we were collecting donations for the Christmas Fayre, we are inviting the children to come dressed in Superhero costumes on Monday. Any donations will be given to the Children in Need total. Thank you.

PUPIL ZONE

We are developing the school website so that it includes more information for the pupils of the school. We are in the process of creating a 'Pupil Zone' which will contain lots of suggestions of websites that children can use to support their learning. If any of you have websites that your children have found particularly helpful (either on a specific topic or generally maths and English) then please do email it to me and I will include it on the page.

OPEN CLASSROOM AFTERNOON

We have decided to move the date of the Open Classroom Afternoon so that we are not rushing to take Christmas displays down on the very last day of term. This event will now take place on Thursday 11th December (NOT Thursday 18th December) from 3pm-4pm.

PANTOMIME

Please could we ask that any outstanding slips are returned as soon as possible and that if you require financial assistance with this trip that you speak with the school office or myself as soon as possible.

PTA NEWS

FRUITY THURSDAYS

The next Fruity Friday will be a Fruity Thursday! This will be on Thursday 18th December.

Please don't forget the Christmas Fayre on Sunday 7th December and the Breakfast with Santa on Sunday 14th December. Please do come along to both of these events and support the school.

Absences

Please could we ask that if a child is unwell that you let the school office know by phoning reception and leaving a message or by letting us know in person. We are finding that the office staff are spending increasing amounts of time phoning parents to ask if children are unwell and we would respectfully ask that this is communicated to us as soon as possible. Many thanks for your help with this.

FOX CLASS AT PIZZA EXPRESS

On Thursday the children from Fox Class went to Pizza Express in Sevenoaks as part of their topic work called Scrumdiddlyumptious! The children had a fantastic time at the restaurant creating their pizzas and, as you can see, enjoyed the fruits of their labour back in the classroom. The children were wonderfully behaved throughout the trip and many thanks go to Mrs Pearson for organising the trip and to Mrs Tanner and all the staff for accompanying them on it.

Parent Meeting

Last night there was a Parent Meeting in Jessica's Hall. If you were unable to attend the meeting then the powerpoint from the session is now available under 'News and Events; Letters Sent to Parents'. Thank you.

STONEPITTS CHRISTMAS TREES

If you are looking for a real Christmas Tree this year then do consider buying it from Stonepitts Farm in Seal. For every tree purchased then we receive a £2 donation upon the receipt of this Newsletter. In addition Stonepitts will also donate some money towards Help for Heroes: in total £1,250 was raised last year. For further information please visit www.stonepitts.com

Next Week's Theme –'Advent'

MATHS WEEK

Yesterday we welcomed many parents into school to share in maths week. During maths week the children have been inventing and making maths games and it was great to see so many parents playing these games with the children. There are plenty of photographs from this event on the school website for you to look at. Many thanks to all of you who were able to share in this and we look forward to running another maths week very soon.

GRANDPARENT AFTERNOON

As a reminder, we have set the date for our now annual Grandparent Afternoon. This afternoon is for grandparents or elderly relatives to come and see the school, have a tour and enjoy spending time with the children. This will be held on Friday 6th March 2015 and we hope that as many grandparents as possible will be able to attend.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Our School Council are organising a school Christmas jumper day on Tuesday 9th December. They are encouraging children to wear a Christmas jumper to raise money for 'Save the Children'. If you don't have a Christmas jumper at home then a regular brightly coloured jumper will be fine!

MIDDAY SUPERVISOR

We are still seeking to appoint a Midday Supervisory Assistant to join our existing team to commence as soon as possible. The post is for 7.5 hours per week (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday) for 38 weeks of the year (term time only).The successful candidate will have the ability to work effectively and enthusiastically as part of a team and be able to engage with the children, extending them in purposeful activities and enhancing their social skills whilst having fun. Please contact the school office for further information or look on the school website under 'News and Events; Current Vacancies.'

Congratulations

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Leigh Primary School and Leigh PTA

For achieving Green School Status

And raising £80 and 80 green points from their cartridge collection scheme

PARENT WORKSHOP

The final Parent Workshop is THIS TUESDAY in Jessica's Hall at 9am and is entitled 'Key Stage 1 Maths'. This session will be particularly useful if you have a child in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 but other parents might also find it interesting. The session will last about 1 hour and there will be plenty of opportunities for you to ask questions and see the resources that we use to teach maths in school. We hope that you have found these workshops interesting and informative and we look forward to running another series of them next year.

Events

1.12.14	Assessment Week
2.12.14	Parent Workshop 5 – 'Key Stage 1 Maths'
7.12.14	School Christmas Fayre (2pm-4pm)
9.12.14	School Christmas Jumper Day Choir singing at Nizels Christmas Fayre
10.12.14	Choir singing at High Hilden
11.12.14	PTA Present Fayre (pm) Open Classroom Afternoon (3pm-4pm)
12.12.14	Whole school visit to the STAG Theatre – Cinderella
14.12.14	Breakfast with Santa
16..12.14	Dress Rehearsal of Nativity Play (2pm)
17.12.14	Christmas Nativity (2pm) in St. Mary's Church
19.12.14	End of Term Service at St Mary's Church (2pm)
5.1.15	Term 3 begins

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar