LEIGH NEWS

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Summer Production Update

After much consideration and discussion with the management staff at the E M Forster Theatre over the past couple of weeks, I have, regrettably, made the decision that this year's Summer Production will be a **Year 6 event only**. The restrictions on numbers in the audience in the theatre (even after a possible lifting on June 21st) and social distancing rules mean that it has just been too complicated to pull this together as a whole school event this year. I'm sure you will all be as disappointed as I am with this decision but I felt we had no option on this occasion. As many of you know, the Summer Production is a real highlight of the year and usually involves all the children from Reception to Year 6 and is an event remembered by all the children for many years to come. However we do hope that it might be possible for all the children to see the show on the afternoon of the 19th July but further details will be sent out nearer the time if this is going to be possible. With it just being a Year 6 production, we should be able to invite around 4 or 5 adults for each child in year 6 so I am hopeful that all parents, carers and immediate relatives of children in Year 6 who would like to see this will have the opportunity to do so. Further details will be sent out nearer the time. Thank you.

Families Wrap Around Care

We are delighted that 'Families' wrap around care run by Sarah Carney is now operating from the school site. Many of you will be familiar with Sarah who has run her childminding business for many years within the village. Sarah will be using Jessica's Hall before and after school and if anyone is interested in wrap around care please do contact Sarah on sjfc38@yahoo.com for further details.

Clubs

We are just beginning to get a few clubs up and running again and I am very hopeful that more and more clubs will be starting again over the coming weeks. At the moment we are restricting clubs to class bubbles or, where there is more than one class bubble, when we can separate them out sufficiently outside. Orchestra started again yesterday for the children in Hawks Class, Football is on Friday after school for the children in Wolves Class, Basketball is starting next Friday for the children in Hedgehog Class, Mr Thacker's Sports Club is running on a Tuesday after school for those children in Years 5 and 6, Karate is running after school on a Wednesday and French club is running at different points throughout the week for children throughout the school. In addition to this I would like to start running a cricket club on a Monday after school for those children who might be interested. This is initially open to children in Years 4, 5 & 6 and will start on Monday 10th May. It will be held on the school field and will run from 3.20pm-4.15pm. If you would like your child to attend this club then please do register them by emailing Mrs Burbridge (office@leigh.kent.sch.uk) by Friday 7th May and we will add their names to the list.

Year 5 Parent Meeting

If you would like to attend the Year 5 Parent Meeting on Thursday 10th June at 7pm then please email Mrs Burbridge by Friday 21st May to book a place . Where possible please could we ask that only one parent from each household attends. All the information covered in the meeting will also be posted on the school website for you to look through if you are unable to attend and I am always happy to speak with parents about Secondary School choices at anytime. Thank you.

Free NHS Mental Health Support

'We Are With You' is a free and confidential service to support anyone over the age of 17 with their mental health. The service is offered online and they use a blend of Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT) and Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT). Further information can be found by clicking on the following link: https://www.wearewithyou.org.uk/help-and-advice/find-service/how-we-help-mental-health/

May we wish all pupils, parents, carers, staff, governors and friends a wonderful Bank Holiday weekend. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 4th May.

Events

30.4.21	Wolves Forest School
3.5.21	Bank Holiday Monday – No children in school please
7.5.21	Hawks Forest School
14.5.21	Hedgehogs Forest School
19.5.21	Hedgehog Class Trip to Horton Kirby
21.5.21	Foxes Forest School
24.5.21	Wolves Class Electricity Day
28.5.21	Robins Forest School End of Term 5
7.6.21	INSET Day – No children in school please
8.6.21	Start of Term 6
10.6.21	Year 5 Parent Meeting in Jessica's Hall (7pm)
11.6.21	Fox Class Trip to Turner Contemporary Squirrels Forest School
17.6.21	Squirrel Class Trip to Bore Place
18.6.21	Wolves Forest School
25.6.21	Letter about Class Structure for next year sent out
2.7.21	Reports Sent Home Hedgehogs Forest School
5.7.21	Year 5 Residential (until Wednesday 7th July) Parent Consultations
6.7.21	Parent Consultations

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar