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.

New Topics

The new term sees the start of new topic work for each of the classes. Details of these topics will be available on the class pages of the school website in the coming days and can also be found in the Curriculum section on the school website. Plenty of trips and visits are being planned by the class teachers to support the work in the classroom and details about these events will be available nearer the time.

Music and Creative Arts Room

The Music and Creative Arts Room is finished! We are now in a position to start using this room and, from next week, music lessons will be held there. We still need to add some furniture and storage shelving for instruments but, fundamentally, the room is ready. We are planning an official opening event which we are hoping to have around half term; when we have finalised this we will of course let you know. It goes without saying that this project is the result of a huge amount of hard work from a lot of people. There will be an opportunity for us to thank those people involved at the opening ceremony but for now I would like to thank everyone who has contributed towards making this idea a reality. Without your continued support we would not have been able to make this happen and countless children at Leigh Primary School will benefit from it for many years to come. Thank you.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Parent Consultations have now been fixed for this term and will be on:

Tuesday 7th March (5pm-8pm)

Thursday 9th March (1.30pm-4pm)

Please do keep these dates free if you can for these important meetings. Thank you.

Chiddingstone Literary Festival

We are pleased to announce that on Tuesday 2nd May 2017 we will be taking the whole school to the Chiddingstone Castle Literary Festival. The children will be participating in a wide range of workshops and will have the opportunity to explore the Castle and spend time in the grounds. Further details will be sent out much nearer the time but further details about this event can be found at:

www.chiddingstonecastle.org.uk/literary-festival

A Message from The British Legion…

Poppy Appeal 2016

Thank you very much for helping with our appeal.

£260.76 was collected by you.

Without your help, we would be unable to continue our vital welfare and benevolent work.

Yours sincerely

Local Honorary Organiser

Registered Charity No. 219279

Next Week's Theme –'Overcoming the Challenges we Face'

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. For further information about clubs, please click on the link below. Thank you.

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

Term Dates 2016-2017

Term 3 3rd January 2017 - 10th February 2017
Term 4 20th February 2017 - 31st March 2017
Term 5 19th April 2017 - 26th May 2017
Term 6 5th June 2017 - 21st July 2017

INSET Days 31st August, 1st and 2nd September 2016, 31st October 2016, 18th April 2017

2017-2018

Term 1 4th September 2017 – 20th October 2017
Term 2 30th October 2017 - 20th December 2017
Term 3 8th January 2018 - 9th February 2018
Term 4 19th February 2018 – 29th March 2018
Term 5 16th April 2018 - 25th May 2018
Term 6 4th June 2018 – 20th July 2018

INSET Days 1st September 2017, 4th & 5th January 2018, 23rd & 24th July 2018.

SUMMER PRODUCTION

We will again be performing our Summer Production at the EM Forster Theatre at Tonbridge School.

This will involve the WHOLE SCHOOL and will take place on Tuesday 18th July at 7pm

PLEASE DO KEEP THIS DATE FREE

Many more details will be sent out nearer the time

Reception Class Applications

If you have a child who is due to start school in September then the deadline for applications is 16th January 2017. To find out more about this process please click on the link below. Thank you.

http://www.leighprimaryschool.com/Our-School/Admissions/

PTA NEWS

The next PTA meeting is next Wednesday, the 11th Jan, at school. All warmly welcome to join us in planning next terms events.

MIDDAY SUPERVISOR VACANCY

We are seeking to appoint a Midday Supervisory Assistant to join our existing team to commence as soon as possible. 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 their social skills whilst having fun. Ideally we would like someone for 5 days a week although we are prepared to be flexible for the right candidate. If you would like further information then please visit the Kent-Teach vacancy page by clicking on the link below or contact Mrs Halfhide for an informal conversation. Thank you.

https://www.kent-teach.com/Recruitment/Vacancy/VacancyDetails.aspx?VacancyId=47890

Events

9.1.17	Clubs Begin Bikeability Training for Year 6 (all week)
10.1.17	Squirrel Class Forest School
11.1.17	Wolves Class Forest School PTA Meeting (8pm)
16.1.17	Deadline for Applications for a reception place in September 2017
17.1.17	Hedgehog Class Forest School
18.1.17	Hawks Class Forest School Football and Netball Matches v. Fordcombe (away)
24.1.17	Robins Class Forest School
25.1.17	Fox Class Forest School
30.1.17	High Hopes Assembly
31.1.17	Squirrels Class Forest School
1.2.17	Wolves Class Forest School
3.2.17	Fruity Friday
7.2.17	Hedgehog Class Forest School
8.2.17	Fox Class Trip to Pizza Express Hawks Class Forest School
10.2.17	PTA Film Night, End of Term 3
20.2.17	Beginning of Term 4

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar