LEIGH NEWS

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Instrumental Concert

On Wednesday evening we held our annual Instrumental Concert in Jessica's Hall. It was fantastic to see so many children involved in this event and to see the progress they are making on their instruments. We also raised £135 in donations for the music and creative arts facility. I would like to thank Sarah McKenzie-Jones who teaches many of the pupils and Jean Mills who runs our recorder group. I'd also like to thank William Richardson who organised and prepared the programme and also provided lots of assistance throughout the evening. There will be a choir concert at St. Mary's Church on Thursday 26th May at 6.30pm and all are very welcome to attend. Thank you.

Next Week's Theme – 'No Assemblies – SATs Week'

SATs Week for Year 6

Next week is SATs week for Year 6.We are asking that the children are in school at 8am each morning to take part in either Cross Country with myself or Yoga with Miss Taylor. We will then be serving them breakfast before getting them ready for the tests. Although we keep these assessments as low key as possible it is important that the children in Year 6 are in school next week and, if there are any problems, that you let the school office know as soon as possible. We have produced a booklet about these assessments and this can be found by clicking on the link below. Thank you.

http://www.leighprimaryschool.com/docs/Year_6_SATs_Booklet_2016.pdf

Hawks Class at Chiddingstone Literary Festival

On Tuesday the Hawks Class spent the day at Chiddingstone Castle taking part in their Literary Festival. The children went to two writing workshops where they heard from children's authors Nicky Singer, Philip Womack and Sally Gardner. The workshops provided a great insight into what life is like for an author and gave the children plenty of opportunities to ask questions about the process of writing a book and where authors get their inspiration from. It was a terrific day and the children were beautifully behaved throughout. Many thanks to Mrs Halfhide for organising this trip and to all the staff who accompanied the children on the day.

Forest School Volunteers

Now that the weather is improving we would like to expand the range of opportunities on offer during our Forest School sessions. We are planning sessions involving more tool work and fire and we are therefore looking for more occasional or regular volunteers to assist with this. If you feel you would like to be involved in our Forest School sessions then please contact Rachel Murray by catching her in the playground or by emailing her on: rachel.playfulsolutions@gmail.com

Leigh's Got Talent!

The School Council have decided that they would like to run a 'Leigh's Got Talent' competition. We are inviting the children to enter the heats during the week of 16th May with the final being held in Jessica's Hall. The children are warmly encouraged to enter this event either individually or in groups. They will be told what day their audition is on and we will then set the date for the Grand Final. Good luck everyone!

District Cross Country Competition

Last night a group of children from Leigh competed at the District Cross Country Competition at Chiddingstone. The team did brilliantly and there were some extremely good performances including Sam Barker who came 6th and Victoria Vickers-Wynne who came 8th.The team were: Kallen Mitchell, Oliver Carolan, Ryan Birnie, Anna Lake, Alice Yeoman, Poppy Gilbert-Lee, Esther Murray, Frank Gonzalez, James McCutcheon, Sam Barker, John Matthews, Joe Kirby, Max Yeoman, Rachel Hickson, Millie Boucher, Victoria Vickers-Wynne, Grace Haselden, Maisie Gilbert-Lee. Congratulations to all of the runners and many thanks to Claire Barker and Kate Dorward for organising the team.

BORE PLACE HALF TERM FUN

Join in the fun this May Half Term at Bore Place

Hands on activities from 10am-1pm led by our expert tutor team. Prices include all materials and ingredients and an optional tour of the farm (bring your wellies!)

Best suited for children of primary age (but older or younger welcome too) Adults get to join in the fun too as Mum/Dad or maybe Grannie/Grandad come free.

Bookings: Contact Becky on 01732 463255 or email BeckyB@boreplace.org to book place(s) or if you'd like to know more.

Lots of healthy fun getting thoroughly dirty! Learn all about mud and its changing consistency and make all sorts of mess such as mud faces on trees and mud 'milkshakes'!

Fox Class Cake Sale

Thank you to all of you who supported the Fox Class Cake Sale last Friday, in all it raised a fantastic £270. This money will be used to fund the class trip to Smugglers Adventure and the Blue Reef Aquarium in Hastings to support their topic 'Land Ahoy'.

PTA NEWS

Dates for your diary: Robin's Cake Sale Friday 27th May
Summer Fete Sunday 10th July
We will soon be looking for volunteers to man the stalls at our Summer Fete so please consider volunteering for this to make it the biggest & best one yet!

Robins Class Ambulance Visit

Yesterday the Robins Class had a visit from Mr Frost who is a paramedic. Mr Frost brought his ambulance with him and did a fascinating question and answer session about what it's like to be a paramedic. This visit was related to the Robins Class topic on 'Heroes'. The children were then invited to sit in the ambulance and listen to the siren. Many thanks to Mr Frost for giving up his time to be with Robins yesterday and to Mrs Tanner and Mrs Pearson for organising it.

Events

9.5.16	Year 6 SATs Week
10.5.16	Hedgehog Class Forest School
11.5.16	Fox Class Forest School
16.5.16	Leigh's Got Talent Audition Week High Hopes Assembly House Meetings
17.5.16	Singing Workshop with Dominic Peckham
18.5.16	Wolves Class at Kensington Palace Fox Class Pirate Day
20.5.16	Interhouse Tournaments
24.5.16	Squirrel Class trip to Bore Place
25.5.16	Year 5 Parent Meeting (7.30pm)
26.5.16	Choir Concert (6.30pm) PTA Meeting (8pm)
27.5.16	Fruity Friday Robin Class Cake Sale Children's Sponsored Walk End of Term 5
28.5.16	London to Brighton Ultra Challenge
6.6.16	INSET Day
7.6.16	Beginning of Term 6

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar