# LEIGH NEWS

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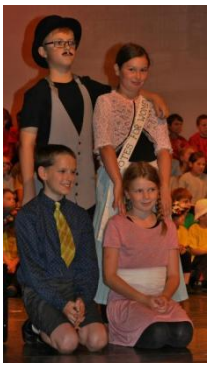
## Mary Poppins

We were absolutely thrilled with the performance of Mary Poppins on Wednesday evening at the E M Forster Theatre, Tonbridge School. Congratulations to all those involved and, in particular, to our Year 6 actors who really poured their hearts and souls into their performances. The children were beautifully behaved throughout the day and were a real credit to the school and to themselves. It was wonderful to be able to involve the whole school in this and I'm extremely grateful to all the staff, parents, volunteers and children for making it such a success. There are plenty of photographs already available on the school website of the dress rehearsal and many thanks to Fiona Lake for taking these for us. I have received many emails and letters about the show and am extremely grateful to all of you who have taken time to express your feelings about it. We were very pleased to have been made to feel so welcome by the E M Forster Theatre and will be booking it again next year. I wanted to share with you a letter I received from Janet Court who has summed all this up perfectly:



*Dear all the staff and children,*

*Wow! What a performance! From the beautifully designed and produced programme to the splendid singing and dancing; the excellent acting; the slick scene changing and the magnificent backdrops; and the very professional musicians, the whole show was superb. I have seen a lot of school productions and I can honestly say that I have enjoyed none more than Mary Poppins. You produced some amazing performances of real maturity, maybe we shall see you in the West End in the future!*

*Everyone has worked so hard to perfect the singing and the beautifully choreographed dancing and even the youngest children never fidgeted or lost concentration and it must have been a very long and tiring day for them all. What a tribute to the staff! We all know who produces an effect like that – so thank you for the inspiration and the extra effort in a very busy term.*

*We Friends are so lucky to be welcomed to share in the life of the school – many, many thanks.*

*Yours sincerely,*

*Janet Court*

## Dance Success

Congratulations to Freya Pearson, Isabella Pearson and Zoe Richardson on being involved in the Kayleigh Little Academy of Performing Arts show on Sunday afternoon at the Assembly Halls in Tunbridge Wells. Freya and Zoe both danced 3 dances: Woodland Walk, Teddy Bear Dance and In Summer and Isabella danced 9 dances including Favourite Things and Rainbows. All three girls rehearse every Saturday at the dance school and clearly love their dancing. Congratulations to all three girls.

## Recorder Concert

This afternoon the children in Year 6 will be holding a recorder concert in Jessica's Hall to showcase the progress they have made with the instrument over the year. All are very welcome to attend this short concert which will start at 2.30pm and last about 20 minutes.

## The Children's Prom

On Friday evening Anna Lake, Michael Lake and Ellie McKenzie-Jones took part in the Sevenoaks Children's Prom. The concert is organised by local primary schools and exists to give children the opportunity to participate in a large orchestra tackling some difficult music. The children played 6 pieces in total and delighted the crowd with an encore of the Can-Can by Offenbach. Ellie McKenzie-Jones was also selected to be the leader of the orchestra which is a huge achievement. Congratulations to all three children and thanks to all those music teachers throughout the Sevenoaks District for organising this.

## PTA NEWS

**A huge thank you to Faydra, the class reps and all the members of the PTA for organising a wonderful Summer Fair on Saturday. It was terrific to see so many people there and we are hopeful that we have raised about £1,000 for the school. There is a huge amount of work that goes into organising events such as these and we are extremely grateful to everyone who gave up so much of their time.**

## SPORTS DAY

Sports Day is this Monday starting at 1.30pm. If the weather is poor then the reserve day is Wednesday 22nd July. All parents, carers, family and friends are very welcome to join us on the Green for this event which will start at 1.30pm.

## Next Week's Theme –'Saying Goodbye'

**Remy Tyler**

**A huge congratulations to Remy Tyler who has raised £217.01 for Cancer Research UK by running her own BBQ event on Sunday. Remy decided that she would like to do something for Cancer Research and took on the responsibility of organising the whole event on her own. Remy also organised a raffle and has set up a Just Giving page to make donating to this terrific cause even easier. It would be great to support Remy with this so if you feel you could make a contribution please click on the link below to view her page. Congratulations Remy, we are very proud of you.**

**https://www.justgiving.com/BBQer-RemyT/**

## Mrs Coleman

Attached to this Newsletter is a letter regarding Mrs Coleman and her replacement Mrs Brown. I'm delighted that Mrs Coleman will be staying with us in the future working with children with dyslexia and there will be ample opportunity in October to thank her for all her terrific work as our SENCO.

## Events

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| 20.7.15 | Sports Day |
| 21.7.15 | Hedgehog Class at the London Aquarium |
| 22.7.15 | Reserve Day for Sports Day |
| 23.7.15 | End of Term Service at St Mary's Church – 2pm |
| 24.7.15 | INSET Day |

**Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar**