LEIGH NEWS

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Three Arts Festival

Congratulations to Anna Lake and Ellie McKenzie-Jones who competed in the duet class (11 years and under) at the Three Arts Festival at Walthamstow Hall. The girls came first with a 'Distinction' which is a huge achievement considering they'd only played together a few times before! The girls played Bach's Minuet in G and wowed the adjudicator by the way they worked together and listened so carefully to each other. Congratulations also to Alexandra Tomlin who took part in the non-competitive 11 years and under singing event. Lexi was praised for her smiling expression and her enjoyment of the piece, A Spoonful of Sugar. On Saturday morning the school choir will be performing in the same festival in the choir section. We would like the children to meet in the main hall entrance at 8.50am for a 9.15am start. We are competing against 7 other schools in the area so it's important that all the children who have committed to this event attend. We would like the children to be in their school uniforms (winter uniforms for girls please) with polished shoes and hair tied back if necessary. The competition will finish at about 10.30am and all parents are encouraged and invited to attend throughout. There is a charge of £1.50 per adult and 75p per child. The children will need to know the words for both songs so please do encourage them to learn these if they haven't already done so. We wish the choir all the very best for this event.

PTA NEWS

The next two Fruity Fridays will be on Friday 26th June (pink grapefruit and green apples) and Friday 17th July (cherries).

We are holding a Barn Dance on Saturday 5th September in the marquee on the Village Green (after the Superstars event). If anyone can help with the loan of some lighting and hay bales then please contact Lyndsey O'Neill. The event is open to anyone in the village and tickets will be available very shortly.

Staff and Class Structure 2015-2016

Attached with this Newsletter is a letter outlining how the classes will be structured next year and the staff who will be working in them. Next Friday (24th June) your child will receive their report and then there will be an opportunity to discuss this report and the class your child has been placed in at the parent consultation evening on Wednesday 1st July. Please note that these consultations are for those of you wishing to raise something that has been mentioned in the report or to discuss the class your child has been placed in. Thank you.

Next Week's Theme –'What I Love About Leigh'

St Mary's Garden Fete

Lionel and Clare Kevis invite you to a Garden Fete in the Vicarage garden on Saturday 27th June from 2pm-4pm. The school choir will be performing at 2.30pm and there will be soloists from the school performing at 3.30pm. Do come along and support us!

High Hilden

On Monday the school choir visited High Hilden Residential Home to join in with their monthly choir practice. As well as singing lots of songs together the children also had the opportunity to perform the two pieces that they will be singing on Saturday. Many thanks to the residents for making us feel so welcome again and it's something we hope to repeat in the winter.

PESE Dates

As a reminder the following dates are important if you have a child who is currently in Year 5:

1st June 2015	Registration for 11+ opens
1st July 2015	Registration for 11+ closes
1st September 2015	SCAF Form available
10th September 2015	11+ Test in all Kent Schools
HEADTEACHER PANEL MEETS	
14th October 2015	Assessment decision sent to parents
2nd November 2015	SCAF Closing Date
1st March 2016	Offers of school places sent
13th April 2016	Last date for appeals
29th April 2016	Reallocation of places
September 2016	Children start Year 7

It is crucial that you register your child for the 11+ by 1st July. There is further information from the recent parent meeting about this topic on the school website under 'News and Events; Letters Sent to Parents'. If any parents or carers would like to discuss this in further detail then please do make an appointment to see me.

Mary Poppins

A letter from Miss Casper about tickets for Mary Poppins went home this week. Tickets are now available at £5 each and, initially, 2 tickets per family are available. The forms need to be returned by Monday 22nd June. There should also be extra tickets available after this point so please do indicate if you would like additional tickets on the slip. Thank you.

Curriculum Evening – Tuesday 29th September

We will be holding a Curriculum Evening on Tuesday 29th September from 3pm-7pm. During the evening you will have the opportunity to look at many of the resources we use in school including the creative curriculum topics for the year, the handwriting scheme, maths resources and the marking policy. At three points in the evening (3pm, 5pm and 6pm) I will also talk about the new assessment procedure and how we will be reporting progress and achievement from September. All are very welcome to attend this event which will be held in Jessica's Hall. The annual autumn term workshops in maths and English will carry on as normal and dates for these will be published by the end of term.

SPORTS DAY

We have now fixed the date for Sports Day. This will take place on Monday 20th July with the reserve date now moving to Wednesday 22nd July due to a trip in Hedgehog Class. All parents, carers, family and friends are very welcome to join us on the Green for this event which will start at 1.30pm.

Events

20.6.15	School Choir at the Three Arts Festival (am only)
22.6.15	Anti-bullying Assembly
24.6.15	District Sports Event (6pm)
25.6.15	Friends Annual Lunch (12pm)
26.6.15	Fruity Friday (pink grapefruit and green apples) Provisional class lists sent out Reports sent out
27.6.15	School Choir singing at the Church Fete
29.6.15	Some Year 6 children to Wimbledon
1.7.15	Parent Consultations
3.7.15	New Entrants Taster Afternoon
7.7.15	Acorns visit to Evolution Climbing Centre
8.7.15	Triathlon Day at Hever Castle
9.7.15	New Entrants Taster Morning Year 6 Leavers Party
10.7.15	Finalised Class Lists sent to Parents
11.7.15	PTA Summer Fair

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar