LEIGH NEWS

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Christmas Lunch

On Friday we held our annual Christmas Lunch. It was a wonderful event and also a good opportunity for us to thank all the kitchen staff and midday supervisors who do such a wonderful job for us throughout the year. Many thanks to all the staff for helping to serve the dinner and to all the children for being so wonderfully behaved throughout it.

School Choir at High Hilden

On Monday morning the school choir travelled to High Hilden Residential Home in Hildenborough. The children performed a selection of Christmas Carols with the residents and then had the opportunity to socialise with them afterwards. It was a lovely event and many thanks to Faydra Mitchell for organising it for us.

Canterbury Cathedral Invite and Details

Attached with this Newsletter is an invite and final arrangements for the day at Canterbury Cathedral in January. If you would like to attend the concert then please print out a ticket and make a contribution of £4 to the school office. Please note that you MUST have a ticket if you are intending to attend the concert. The children will be travelling by coach together but we do have a few spaces available should any parents, grandparents or friends wish to join us. If you would like a space on the coach then please do let the school office know. Thank you.

Forest School on a Friday

Please note that from January we will be running our Forest School sessions on a Friday afternoon. This is to avoid disruption with the sports coaching which takes place on a Wednesday. All the dates for next term's Forest School sessions are on the calendar section of the school website.

MIDDAY SUPERVISOR VACANCY

We are seeking to appoint a Midday Supervisory Assistant to join our existing team to commence as soon as possible after Christmas. 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 enhancing 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 contact Mrs Halfhide for an informal conversation.

Christmas Services at St Mary's Church

24th December 4pm/6pm – Family Carols
24th December 11.15pm – Midnight Mass
25th December 10am – Christmas Morning Service
All are welcome to attend

Pantomime

On Tuesday the whole school visited the E M Forster Theatre at Tonbridge School to see the pantomime Aladdin. It was a wonderful day out and, as ever, the children were beautifully behaved.

Breakfast with Santa

On Saturday we held our annual Breakfast with Santa event in Jessica's Hall. It was a wonderful morning and we're extremely grateful that Santa himself gave up so much of his time at this very busy time of year! The children had a magical morning and many thanks to all the parents and PTA members who attended and helped out. A particular thank you to Rachel Murray who masterminded the whole operation.

End of Term Service

The end of term service is THIS AFTERNOON at 2pm in St. Mary's Church. All are very welcome to attend.

KEY STAGE 2 TRIP TO THE BATTLEFIELDS OF WWI

There will be a Parent Meeting to go through all the details for our trip to Ypres on Wednesday 28th February 2018. This will be held in Jessica's Hall and will start at 8pm. Please do keep this date free if you have a child in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6). During the meeting I will go through all the details of the day and how we will be preparing the children for it. Thank you.

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

Isabel Tallent

Congratulations to Isabel Tallent who has recently been awarded her 100 metres swimming certificate. Isabel gets this lovely certificate and badge. Really well done Isabel.

James Lockton

Congratulations also to James Lockton who has been awarded his Goldfish 1 swimming award. James has also been awarded an Advanced Puppy Foundation Course Certificate from the Happy Tails Dog Training Company. Really well done James on both these achievements.

Gym Success

Congratulations to Caitlin, Darcey, Tilly, Sophie and Phoebe on their recent gymnastics success. The girls have completed a different number of terms at their gym club and receive these medals and certificates. Well done to all of them.

May we wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and a very happy New Year. We look forward to seeing the children again on Monday 8th January 2018.

Events

20.12.17	End of Term Service at St. Mary's Church (2pm) End of Term 2
4.1.18	INSET DAY (no children please)
5.1.18	INSET DAY (no children please)
8.1.18	Beginning of Term 3
12.1.18	Wolves Class Forest School
15.1.18	Football Match v. Penshurst (away)
16.1.18	Hawks Class to the Natural History Museum
18.1.18	Choir to Canterbury Cathedral
19.1.18	Squirrel Class Forest School
22.1.18	Netball Match v. Penshurst (away)
26.1.18	Robins Class Forest School
1.2.18	Football Match v. Four Elms (away)
2.2.18	Fruity Friday, Hawks Class Forest School
9.2.18	Fox Class Forest School, End of Term 3
19.2.18	Beginning of Term 4
21.2.18	Football and Netball Matches v. Fordcombe (away)
22.2.18	Netball Match v. Chiddingstone (away)
23.2.18	Hedgehog Class Forest School PTA Sing-a-along Musical Event
26.2.18	Netball Match v. Four Elms (away)
28.2.18	Parent Meeting for Ypres Trip (8pm)

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar