LEIGH NEWS

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The Wizard of Oz

Wow! What an absolutely stunning performance of The Wizard of Oz! The children were incredible throughout the day and produced a performance packed full of brains, heart and courage. To take the whole school to a theatre for the day and put on such a spectacular performance is a huge undertaking and I would like to thank everyone who contributed to making this such a success. In particular I would like to thank Miss Taylor for directing the whole performance and for bringing the whole thing together so professionally. There are plenty of photographs on the school website in the Galleries section and I would like to thank Fiona Lake for taking these for us. I have received so many emails and cards from so many people over the past two days and I would like to thank all of you who have taken the time to write to us. In particular I received a lovely letter from Janet Court, one of the Friends of Leigh Primary School, who has summed it all up beautifully:

Dear everyone involved with The Wizard of Oz,

What a truly delightful afternoon! The performance really deserves a West End run! From the youngest to the stars of the show, all the actors acted their socks off and were in character all the time. They had poise and confidence and their words were audible which is not always true in a professional theatre. The scenery was terrific; the costumes were brilliant (with a special mention for the Tin Man and Apple Trees), the professional music makes such a difference and the lighting was so effective. Amazing that all the complicated choreography went without a hitch as well! It was a very memorable afternoon and Leigh is so lucky to have such a talented and hard working staff to achieve that standard. So much for the doomsayers who say there is no time for art, music, drama and fun in school now. How wrong they are on every count! Thank you all so very much for giving me so much pleasure throughout the year. Your welcome is never failing.

Yours sincerely Janet Court

Term Dates 2016-2017

Term 1 5th September 2016 - 21st October 2016
Term 2 1st November 2016 - 16th December 2016
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

PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE ARE VERY SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT FROM THE DATES PUBLISHED ON THE KCC WEBSITE

Leigh Garden Safari

Last weekend the village held its annual Garden Safari. This year some of our children contributed to this by planting their own flowers in wellies. As I'm sure you'll agree they look absolutely stunning and I'm so grateful to Mrs Coleman for organising this for us and for spending so much time making the garden area at the front of the school look so lovely. In all the event raised a very impressive £2857, so congratulations to all concerned.

Spring Clean Day

Our next Spring Clean Day will be on Saturday 10th September from 10am-2pm. Please do come along if you possibly can. Thank you.

PTA NEWS

Thanks again to all involved in the Summer Fete, despite the weather we raised over £1700! This money will be used to continue the refurbishment of the library to make it an inspiring learning environment for all the children at the school. Don't forget to pick up your Barn Dance tickets! You can buy them during the summer holidays at the Fleur de Lis, £15 including a hog roast & live entertainment on the village green (3rd Sept).
Thanks for a fantastic year, here's to a great summer!

Pupil Achievements

Gymnastics

Very well done to Darcey Butler and Caitlin Moriarty-Cole who have both been awarded medals and certificates for passing their gymnastics tests. Both girls attend the Active Sports Group Gymnastics Club and had to complete a roly-poly, backwards walk over and flip, cartwheel on a beam and a handstand for 30 seconds. Really well done girls!

Chess

Congratulations also to Pier Ypma, George Sullivan, Sam Kings and Matthew Wordsworth who have been awarded these lovely chess trophies. All four boys attend our school chess club and were the winners of the Upper Key Stage 2, Lower Key Stage 2, Key Stage 1 and Overall Player categories. Many thanks to all the staff who have run chess club this year and well done to all the players for doing so well.

Farewells

Today we say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6. They have been a terrific year group and we will miss them all terribly; we thank them for everything they have done and wish them well for the future. We will miss them all hugely but hope that they will come back and see us again to let us know how they are doing. We are also saying goodbye to Mrs Mundy who has been working with Robins Class and other children across the school for the past three years. Mrs Mundy has been a tremendous asset to Leigh Primary School and we wish her all the best for the future. Finally we are also saying goodbye to John Henderson who has been the most incredible Chair of Governors. John's contribution to the life of the school over very many years has been truly inspirational and all of us at Leigh Primary School owe him a huge debt of gratitude for many years of dedicated and devoted service. Thank you John. Please remember the end of term service at St Mary's Church this afternoon at 2pm; all are very welcome to attend.

May we wish all parents, carers, staff and pupils a wonderful summer holiday. We look forward to seeing the children again on Monday 5th September 2016.

Events

3.9.16	Superstars Event and PTA Barn Dance
5.9.16	Beginning of Term 1
8.9.16	11+ Assessments

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar