LEIGH NEWS

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Clubs

The Clubs programme started again this week. It's been wonderful to see so many children involved in extra-curricular activities and we're extremely grateful to all the staff, parents and friends who give up so much of their time to run and support clubs. If there are any children who haven't yet signed up for clubs then please do see the school office as soon as possible. Further information about clubs can be found on the school website.

PESE Information

As a reminder, the following dates are crucial in this year's Procedure for Entry to Secondary Education (PESE).

13th October 2016	11+ Assessment decision sent to parents
31st October 2016	SCAF Closing date
1st March 2017	Offer letters sent to parents
29th March 2017	Last date for appeals
28th April 2017	Reallocation of places

If any parent would like to discuss Secondary School applications or the PESE system then please do make an appointment to see me.

MUSIC AND CREATIVE ARTS ROOM

The conversion of the public toilets into our new Music and Creative Arts Room is fully underway. We have been taking some photographs as this work has been progressing and will post these in the Galleries section on the school website in due course. As soon as we have any information regarding an opening event then we will of course let you know.

Next Week's Theme – 'Doing Your Best'

PARENT SURVEY

I wanted to thank all of you who took the time to fill in the most recent Parent Survey; your opinions and feedback are extremely important to us. Attached with this Newsletter is a summary of the results and I would like to thank Fiona Lake for collating and presenting the information in such a detailed and helpful way. It's been lovely to read so many of the positive comments that you have made about the school and how it operates. We will, however, also listen very carefully to suggestions for improvements made and I will be writing a response to these comments over the coming days. Thank you.

SUMMER PRODUCTION

Following on from the success of The Wizard of Oz we will again be performing our Summer Production at the EM Forster Theatre at Tonbridge School. This will involve the WHOLE SCHOOL and will take place on

Tuesday 18th July at 7pm

PLEASE DO KEEP THIS DATE FREE

Many more details will be sent out nearer the time

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICES
St Mary's Church
Sunday 25th September
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Harvest Festival Service
6.30pm Holy Communion (CW Said)
There will be a 'bring and share' Harvest Lunch after the Auction following the 10am service
Please bring food to share

HOUSE CAPTAINS

Congratulations to our new House Captains for 2016-2017. Each House has two captains and a vice captain and have been elected by the members of their Houses. These three children have the responsibility to lead their Houses throughout the year and to organise them during events and tournaments. We are very proud of all our Year 6 children and those who weren't elected on this occasion will have the opportunity to have other responsibilities throughout the year. This year's House Captains are: James McCutcheon, Samuel Barker, Jack Sharpe, Ben Hale, Flo Cable, Victoria Vickers-Wynne, Kaedyn Poulter, Grace Lincoln, Joe Kirby, Frank Gonzalez, Tom Butler and Millie Boucher. Congratulations to all of them.

Pupil Achievements

Isobel Mitchell

Well done To Isobel Mitchell who recently steered a pig to come second in the Piggy Grand National! Isobel had to ensure her pig was kept away from various obstacles, such as a pile of piggy treats, and make sure he didn't wander off the course. I have to confess that the world of pig racing is not something I'm yet fully versed in, however it sounds as if Isobel and her pig had a wonderful time and they did very well to achieve second place overall. Well done Isobel!

Anna Lake

Congratulations to Anna Lake who has recently passed her Grade 1 Piano exam with Merit. The examiner made some lovely comments about Anna's playing and she only very narrowly missed out on a Distinction. Really well done Anna!

Thomas Prockter

Congratulations also to our golfing superstar Thomas Prockter who recently won a junior golf tournament at Poult Wood golf course in Tonbridge. Thomas was competing against children much older than him and came away with a magnificent trophy as well as a stunning medal. Thomas obviously is a very talented golfer and we look forward to seeing more of his trophies in the future. Congratulations Thomas.

OFF BY HEART COMPETITION

Please do encourage your child to start learning a poem from the list on the school website. This can be found by clicking on the link below. Thank you.

http://www.leighprimaryschool.com/Learning/Off-By-Heart-Poetry-Competition/

PTA NEWS

Thanks to all who attended the AGM on Tuesday, we now have lots of exciting events planned for this year!

Dates for your diary:

Layabouts gig at The Fleur de Lis Sat 8th Oct, tickets £15 includes hog roast (or veg alternative). All proceeds to go to the new music room.

Kids Halloween Film Night Thursday 20th Oct

Xmas Fair 26th Nov in the village hall

Breakfast with Santa 10th Dec

Scarecrow competition coming soon, look out for flyers!

SEVENOAKS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Family Concert aimed at children 4-12 yrs and their families
Live Symphony Orchestra with music based on the theme of Animals including the story of Peter & the Wolf narrated by David Leonard (Matilda's Miss Trunchball 2012-13)
Two performances at Stag Theatre, Sevenoaks on Sunday 9 October 2016 at 2pm and 4pm.
Tickets are £7.50 with a discount for 4+ tickets bought (NB. there is a Stag admin charge of £2 *per transaction* not per ticket)

Events

26.9.16	Squirrel Class in full time
27.9.16	Parent Workshop 2 – Key Stage 1 Maths (9am) Robins Class Forest School
28.9.16	Hawks Class Forest School
4.10.16	M&M Theatre Production of The Railway Children Fox Class Forest School
5.10.16	Hawks Class to Royal Observatory, Greenwich Wolves Class Forest School

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar