LEIGH NEWS

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House Tournaments

Last Friday morning the children competed for the Inter-House School Cup. The children took part in football, netball and dodgeball matches as well as a cross country event. It was a wonderful morning of sporting activity and huge congratulations to this year's winning house; Earth!

Football Squad

Some children and parents have been asking about this year's Football Squad, so I thought I would clarify the current position. Football Squad training takes place each Wednesday lunchtime from 12.30pm and is run by Mr Thacker. The idea is to select a group of children from upper Key Stage 2 who have the potential to represent the school in the district league and cup competitions. Mr Thacker has now chosen children from Years 5 and 6 who he will be working with this term so, if your child is part of the training squad, please do ensure that they have their football boots and shin pads with them every week. A group of 8 or 9 children will be selected from the squad for each of the matches and we will ensure that all children in the squad get the opportunity to represent the school at some point this year. Mr Thacker will review this later in the year and if there is the opportunity to open this up to more children then we will of course do so. There is obviously the Friday Football Club as well which is open to any child who would like the opportunity to play each week. Thank you

Parent Consultations

Next week's Parent Consultations are taking place on Wednesday (1.30pm-3.30pm) and Thursday (5pm-8pm). Sheets are now in Reception for you to book a time to speak with your child's class teacher and collect their autumn term report. If anyone is unable to arrange a time that is convenient, please do speak with your child's class teacher to arrange another time.

Next Week's Theme – 'The Changing Seasons'

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The annual Harvest Festival Service is on Tuesday 16th October at 10am at St. Mary's Church. All are very welcome to attend this event which will last about 25 minutes.

Football Match

Unfortunately it was necessary to postpone the football match against Chiddingstone on Monday. When we have arranged an alternative date we will of course let you know.

PESE Update

On Thursday, those of you with children who took the 11+ last month, will receive the assessment decision via email. If any of you would like to discuss these results and the implications for secondary school choices then please do make an appointment to meet with me. All parents and carers of children in Year 6 then have until 31st October to fill in the Secondary Common Application Form (SCAF) listing 4 choices IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE. Please do take another look at the powerpoint I presented at the parent meeting in May regarding this process (a copy of which can be found by clicking on the link below) and I am very happy to speak with any parents or carers regarding the SCAF Form or PESE Process. Thank you.

http://www.leighprimaryschool.com/Secondary_2018/Parent_Meeting_Powerpoint_-_25th_May_2018.pdf

Violin and Piano Lessons

Space has become available for 1 to 1 music lessons for KS1. Please contact Sarah McKenzie-Jones on 07956 187488 if interested

PTA NEWS

Last weekend's Family Treasure Trail was a great success, thank you to the 51 families who joined us in the sunshine for a fun-filled afternoon. The winning teams will be announced in assembly today. The event raised more than £450 for the school and would not have been possible without the hard work of Karen Korvin and Sarah Porter – a big thank you to them both!

Look out for news of the Halloween Disco on 2 November. Tickets will go on sale shortly. Save the date!

OFSTED

As you are all aware, on Tuesday we received a visit from Ofsted. This was a 'Section 8' inspection for one day and the Lead Inspector was called Deborah Gordon. I would like to thank all of you who contributed to the inspection on Tuesday and it was wonderful to receive so many positive comments from so many parents and carers regarding the quality of education your children receive here. The letter should be available for us to share with everyone just before the half term break and there will then be an opportunity for everyone to ask questions after half term. Thank you.

Events

5.10.18	Robins Class Trip to Maidstone Museum Kent Messenger to take Squirrel Class Photos Foxes Forest School
8.10.18	Football Match v. Four Elms (home)
10.10.18	Patent Consultations (1.30pm-3.30pm)
11.10.18	Parent Consultations (5pm-8pm) 11+ Assessment decision sent to parents
12.10.18	Wolves Class Trip to London Zoo Squirrel Class Forest School Launch of the annual Off By Heart Poetry Competition
15.10.18	Art and DT Week Begins
16.10.18	Harvest Festival Service (10am) at St. Mary's Church
17.10.18	Open Morning Year 6 Residential Meeting in Wolves Class(3.15pm)
18.10.18	School Photographs
19.10.18	Wolves Class Forest School End of Term 1

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar