LEIGH NEWS

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Welcome Back

We hope that you have all had a wonderful Christmas and a very enjoyable New Year. It's been a great start to the new term and we look forward to sharing with you all the wonderful things the children will be doing. Please continue to check the school website on a regular basis and do see me if you feel there is something missing on it. Could I take this opportunity to remind everyone that we operate an open door policy here at Leigh; you are welcome into school at anytime to discuss your child's progress.

New Topics

The new term sees the start of new topic work for each of the classes. Details of these topics will be available on the class pages of the school website in the coming days and can also be found in the Curriculum section on the school website. Plenty of trips and visits are being planned by the class teachers to support the work in the classroom and details about these events will be available nearer the time.

LEIGH MUSIC CD FOR SALE

Our new CD 'Leigh Music' is now available from the school office at £10 each. Every child in the school is on the CD and there are also contributions from the school choir, Wolves Class recorder group and various soloists. The CDs will make perfect Christmas presents and all the money raised will go directly into our new creative arts and music facility. Get buying!

. Next Week's Theme –'Taking Opportunities'

Poppy Appeal

I have received the following message from The Royal British Legion

Thank you very much for helping with our Appeal. £247.72 was collected by you which is amazing, thank you. Without your help, we would be unable to continue our vital welfare and benevolent work. Yours sincerely, Joanna Harris Ford (Local Honorary Organiser).

Grandparents Afternoon

For the third year we will be running a Grandparents Afternoon. This is a lovely opportunity for grandparents, elderly relatives or friends to visit the children at school, have a look at their work and then have a tour. We will also be serving tea and biscuits in Jessica's Hall. This will be held on Friday 4th March 1.30pm-3pm so please do encourage all grandparents and friends to visit the school on this day. Thank you.

Clubs

The full clubs programme will start again on Monday with the exception of Netball Club as the Netball Team have a match against Four Elms. Please do remind the children that if they signed up for a club they must attend unless there is a very good reason. I would like to thank all the staff, parents, friends and volunteers who give up so much of their time to contribute to the extra-curricular life of the school.

Open Classroom Afternoon

The next Open Classroom Afternoon will be on Thursday 11th February from 3pm-4pm. Please do attend this important event if you can.

Alexandra Tomlin

Congratulations to Lexy Tomlin who has recently completed her prep singing test. Lexy was praised for her lovely musical lines, clear articulation and a good sense of musical character. As part of the test Lexy had to sing: Snakes and Ladders, Ride on a Rainbow, Far Blue Sea, The Tip of the Tongue and The Haunted House on the Hill. Very well done Lexy!

School Choir at Canterbury Cathedral

A letter went home this week about the school choir's visit to Canterbury Cathedral on Thursday 21st January. Please could these slips be returned as soon as possible so that we can start to arrange the transport needed. Please note that this trip will only involve members of the school choir in Year 2 and above. Thank you.

SATs Afternoon For Parents

We are holding a 30 minute meeting for the children and parents in Year 6 to cover the essential information regarding this year's SATs exams. This is being held on Monday 8th February at 3.20pm and will be run by Miss Taylor and myself. If at all possible we would like as many children and parents as possible to be present during this meeting so if you are UNABLE to attend then please do let Miss Taylor know.

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 PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED DATES AND ARE SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT FROM THE DATES PUBLISHED ON THE KCC WEBSITE

Parent Consultations

The next Parent Consultations will be on Wednesday 16th March (1.30pm-3.30pm) and Thursday 17th March (5pm-8pm). Further details will be sent out nearer the time but please do keep these dates free for these important meetings.

Events

11.1.16	Clubs Start Netball Match v. Four Elms (away)
20.1.16	Netball Match v. Fordcombe (home)
21.1.16	School Choir at Canterbury Cathedral
22.1.16	Football Match v. Fordcombe (away)
30.1.16	School Choir at the London A Capella Festival
4.2.16	Football (away) and Netball (home) Matches v. Chiddingstone
8.2.16	SATs Afternoon for Parents
11.2.16	Open Classroom Afternoon (3pm-4pm)
12.2.16	End of Term 3
22.2.16	Beginning of Term 4

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar