LEIGH NEWS

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Cross Country at Radnor House

Last Wednesday we took a team of KS2 runners to represent the school at the Sevenoaks District cross country championships at Radnor House. As always the children behaved brilliantly, encouraged each other and performed their best. We had some pleasing results with Megan Phillips placing 21st and Felix Murray 25th, each in a field of approximately 100. Welcome to Verity McCutcheon and Ben Barker, for whom this was their first race, and well done as always to: Isabel Tallent, Ruby Gilbert-Lee, Freya Dorward, Andrew McCutcheon and Jacob Murray for representing the school. Thank you also to Kate McCutcheon and Jo Barker for their support and to Kate Dorward for organizing this event for us.

Gymnastics Coach

Today we have a new gymnastics coach starting at Leigh. Mrs Piscina will be working with the children and staff over the next couple of weeks to increase the staff's confidence in the delivery of gymnastics. The children will be having gym lessons in Jessica's Hall and these will be taken by Mrs Piscina as well as the class teacher. This additional coaching is being funded through the Sports Premium initiative and further information about this can be found on the Sports Premium page of the school website or by clicking on the link below. http://www.leighprimaryschool.com/Learning/Sports-Premium-Funding/

NSPCC

On Friday the school council held a cake sale for the NSPCC. As you might know, the NSPCC have been into school this term and run workshops as well as taking assembly. The theme for their visits has been 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' and they have focussed on online safety in particular. Many thanks to the school council and Mrs Phillips for organizing this for us and to all of you who completed a sponsorship activity. In all we raised £219.20 which is a terrific achievement. Thank you.

Lost Property

We are again attempting to tackle this perennial problem. The lost property box is full yet again and will be cleared at the end of next week if any items are not claimed. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter. PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT SCHOOL CLOTHING IS LABELLED as this ensures that we can return any lost property to its rightful owner. Thank you.

TWITTER

Do you have a twitter account? If so please do follow us on @Leigh_Primary

We update it fairly regularly with photos and events and this is another great way of finding out what's happening in school.

Remembrance Event

Later today the whole school will be going over to the war memorial for a short act of remembrance. This event will start at 9.55am and will last about 10 minutes. If any of you would like to join us for this event then please do meet us over at the war memorial.

Shoebox Appeal

Two weeks ago David Bennie launched the annual shoebox appeal. The children will have taken home leaflets about how you can create a shoebox gift should you wish to. Thank you in advance for all your support with this appeal.

Viking Day

On Tuesday the Vikings came to Leigh! Throughout the day the children took part in a range of Viking activities including using a shield, a weapons display, food games and exploring household items. The children had a wonderful day and looked fantastic in their Viking outfits. Many thanks to Miss Bettridge and Mr Hancock for organizing this for us.

Lego Stickers and Albums

Sarah McKenzie-Jones has a huge number of lego stickers and albums available for a small contribution. All proceeds will go towards supporting the work going on in The Gambia. For further information please contact Sarah on hipchickmck@hotmail.com

Astrodome

On Thursday we had a visit from the Astrodome. The children were treated to a flight through space and learnt about planets, stars, constellations and black holes. It was a terrific morning full of wonder and excitement and thanks so much to Miss Jowett for organizing this for us.

OFF BY HEART COMPETITION

Now is a great time to be learning a poem for our Off By Heart Poetry Competition! Please do encourage the children to start learning one from the list on the school website which can be found by clicking on the link below. Thank you.

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

There but not there…

St. Mary's Church currently have a display entitled 'There But Not There…'. This is an initiative involving transparent silhouettes to remember the soldiers who gave their lives in the First World War. Please do take a moment to have a look at this display if you possibly can. Thank you.

Netball Club

Please note that there will not be Netball Club on Monday as there is a netball match against Hever Primary School. Please do come along to Hever if you would like to support the team. Thank you,

Next Week's Theme –'It's Good To Be Different'

PTA NEWS

We are counting down to the Christmas Fair on 25 November. In the coming weeks we would be very grateful to receive donations of jam jars filled with sweets, chocolates, stationery, craft materials, games, toys – anything small enough to fit in a jar that children will enjoy. Children have brought home their Christmas card designs this week. Please consider buying some cards or other Christmassy items – the PTA receives £1 for every item ordered. You can order online and have home delivery, or via the school.

Events

9.11.18	Wear Something Red for the British Legion Hedgehogs Forest School
14.11.18	Football Match v. Fordcombe (home)
15.11.18	Fox Class Forest School
19.11.18	Football Match v. Weald (away)
20.11.18	Football Match v. Chiddingstone (away)

Further dates will be published on the website under School Calendar