

Leighterton Primary School



NEWSLETTER 13

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Dear Parents

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



The Xmas Bazaar is tonight. Come along to get your Christmas 2011 off to a flying start. Refreshments, stalls, raffle, Father Christmas and much much more.

CLUB NEWS

Golf Club with Miss Hayward has now finished.

Football Club with CTFC – last session after school today.

Clubs will finish for this term next week with the exception of French Club who will have their last session on Dec 14th.

CHRISTMAS KS1 PRODUCTION AND KS2 INTERNATIONAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT REMINDER



Both of these events will run concurrently on the afternoons of the 9th, 12th, and 13th December starting at 1pm. On Friday 9th December we will be doing a dress rehearsal for parents with pre-school siblings and any parents who cannot make the other two afternoons.

KS1 will be putting on a traditional Nativity "Shine Star Shine" and KS2 are doing an Internationally flavoured Christmas Concert. Tickets are available in the school office at £1.50 per ticket. Initially, 2 tickets per family. From Tuesday 6th Dec, we will issue any extra tickets required, if available.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH REMINDER...



Children who don't normally

have a school lunch will automatically be put down for (A) The Traditional Lunch but if your child would like B The Quorn Fillet, or, if they don't wish to have a school lunch please contact the office. The cost of a school lunch is £2, please send this to school in an envelope with your child's name on ASAP. Thank you.

SPORTS AND INDOOR CHRISTMAS CRAFT ACTIVITIES -

At Leighterton School 9am to 3pm, drop of your children here and you could have a lovely **childfree shopping experience!**



We are delighted that Miles Baxter will once again be able to run his hugely popular multi-sports course alongside an indoor craft activity course running on the 19th & 20th December. The rates are the same as summer at £12 per day. The courses will run from 9am-3pm each day. Ages 5-13 boys and girls, all abilities. Activities including outdoor sports, indoor games and Xmas craft making, Christmas crackers and other Christmas crafts, all available through the day.

To book a place please ring 01242 518630, e-mail community@ctfc.com or visit the CTFC website. Or email the school office.



CLASS 4 TRIPS



On Wednesday, Class 4 travelled to Hampton Court as part of their Tudor topic they have been looking at in Class over the term this made a fitting culmination to all the research they have done in recent weeks.

Things didn't go entirely to plan as there was a multi-vehicle accident on the M3 and it took us 4 ½ hours to get there! Our visit therefore was somewhat truncated but it was fantastic being there even if we had to have a whirlwind tour. As well as seeing some of the State Rooms and the

Haunted Gallery we got to meet Henry VIII who was all dressed up and chatting to the visitors! A guide told us all about the watching chamber and we got to go round the King's kitchens. It is a truly spectacular place.

DRAMA WORKSHOPS AND NEW CLUB

On Monday we were treated to a day of workshops with the RUMDOXY THEATRE COMPANY. They had each class in turn in the hall for an hour's drama session on an area of the class's choice. Class 1 were looking at "The Senses" Class 2 "Time Machines", Class 3 " Aliens" and Class 4 " Detectives".

They are hoping to run a Drama Club for us from January on a Wednesday afternoon from 3-4pm. The cost will be £3 per session and there will 10 sessions over the term commencing the second week back, January 11th.

PLEASE RETURN THE SLIP ON THE BOTTOM OF THE NEWSLETTER OR THE ONE IN THE BOOK BAG.

HEADLICE



The ever present problem in Primary School of headlice has been particularly prevalent this term.

Please do not send your children into school if you aware they have headlice.

Please treat them using a medicated lotion or the hair conditioner and combing method before letting them come into school. If children have long hair, having it tied back is no guarantee that headlice will not be passed on from them or to them.

REDCOMB PUPILS VISIT

As part of our International Schools Project we had a special visit from 12 international pupils, who are students at Rendcomb College just outside Cirencester. They were from 4 countries Germany, Japan, China and Russia. Each group of students spent 35 minutes in each class doing an activity. Our children all had a fantastic morning learning origami, calligraphy and how to speak in Russian and German. They were accompanied by their Headteacher Mr Roland Martin and one of their teachers. Thank you to Mrs Street and Mrs Angela Davis for helping out with the event and to Mrs Davis for setting up the link for us. We are hoping to do further projects with Rendcomb in the future.

READING WITH YOUR CHILDREN



Reminder

First of all we would like to say "Thank You" to all those parents who do listen to their children read

more or less every night. We know it makes a big difference.

Please could we remind all parents that as part of our school partnership we do expect parents to listen to their children

read at home at least three times a week right up to when they leave the school at the end of Year 6. Even as fluent readers children need to discuss what they are reading to an adult to ensure full comprehension and also to practise the very different skill of reading out loud. It does not always have to be the school reading book. If you have shared another source of reading material that is fine but please remember to sign in your child's reading record.

Easyfundraising – It costs nothing, but could donate ££££££'s to the school!

Leighterton School have signed up to the easyfundraising website, which donates money to the school every time you make a purchase on the web.

So how does it work?

When a supporter spends £100 with M&S online, for example, £2.50 is donated to the school, £100 spent with Amazon donates £2.50 for the school. Some donations can be as much as 15% of the purchase price and purchasing with well know insurers such as direct line, Churchill, More Than and Aviva will generate a one off donation, up to £40.

Which retailers are included?

Easyfundraising works with over 2,000 of the best known retailers, including big brands such as Amazon, Argos, M&S, John Lewis, Tesco, Sainsburys, Comet, Boden,

Ebay, Boots, B&Q, Thomas Cook, Virgin and many more.

Any catch?

There is no catch – it is much cheaper for retailers to sell goods online than in the high street so they're happy to pass part of the extra profit to an organisation as a donation.

Save money too!

Easyfundraising also has exclusive discounts and voucher codes, which all supporters can use.

If all the parents at Leighterton school signed up and did their online shopping through the easyfundraising site then we could raise approx £500 per year for the school which would be put to buy resources, such as books, art and craft, PE equipment etc.

So please..... can all parents sign up free to the easyfundraising website and lets start getting these donations in

How to sign up

Use the following link:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk and then sign up and add Leighterton School as your donor site and start shopping.

Many thanks

Leighterton School

DRAMA CLUB

My child would like to attend Drama Club from January 2012.

I agree to pay £30 for ten sessions prior to the first session on January 11th. Cheques to made payable to RUMDOXY THEATRE COMPANY.

Signed.....

Name

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 7th December - Pantomime comes to School

Friday 9th December - Xmas Productions Dress Rehearsal 1pm

Monday December 12th - KS1 and KS2 Xmas Productions.1pm

Tuesday December 13th - KS1 and KS2 Xmas Productions.1pm

Wednesday 14th December - KS1 Xmas Lunch and KS2 Xmas Party

Thursday 15th December - KS2 Lunch and KS1 Xmas Party

Thursday December 15th - 'Living Crib' Event at Bennetts Farm Leighterton

Friday 16th December - Last Day of Term Finish 12.30pm