

Leighterton Primary School



NEWSLETTER 15

16th December 2010

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Dear Parents

In our last newsletter of 2010 all the staff would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and let's hope the impending weather doesn't prevent any of the Christmas festivities.

WEATHER WARNING



Please be aware that the weather is forecast to deteriorate over the next day or two. We have had conflicting reports from

various weather sites. We will keep you informed by text if we are not able to open school tomorrow morning. If the roads are as treacherous as we are led to believe, it is not worth staff and families taking the risk of driving here for the last morning.

MESSAGE FOR CLASS 1

It is always our custom to aim for a little more independence in the second term. Reception Pupils are now invited to line up with the other pupils as from the beginning of next term.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR 2011

Calling all pupils. Are you the best in the west? Closing date for entries February 9th 2011. Primary and Secondary award winners £50 and runner up cash prizes. Accepted images will be shown with Cheltenham Camera Club exhibition 26th- 12th March 2011 at All Saints Church Cheltenham. For further details visit www.cheltenhamcameraclub.co.uk

PARENTPAY

We realise that this is a very busy time for parents. We would be very grateful if you would please check that ParentPay accounts

are in credit by close of school on Friday (12.30pm). Also if you have music tuition fees outstanding please send this in by Friday 17th Dec. ParentPay can also be used for paying music fees.



HATS AND GLOVES FOR THE HOMELESS

An enormous THANK YOU to all the families who have sent in hats, gloves and scarves for our homeless appeal. Mrs Barber will be able to distribute our 56 hats, 45 pairs of gloves and 10 scarves with Martyn on Christmas Day.

BUG BUSTING



For Parents who are new to the school we have a Bug Busting day from time to time when all families make a concerted effort on the same day to check heads to avoid the perennial problem of head lice.

We will be having a Bug Busting day this Saturday 18th December, so please check your child's head for Head Lice and their eggs 'nits'. If we all check then hopefully we can get rid of this problem in time for Christmas – thank you for your help. **Please come and see us in the school office if you would like any advice or nit combs.**

SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS

Well done to the children who competed in the Sports Hall Athletics Final and congratulations to Catherine Freeman who was in the winning girls' team.

BORROWED RECIPE BOOKS

If anybody gave us a copy of a St Mary's Recipe Booklet and one other to borrow, could you please let us know in the school office as we cannot remember who to return them to!

KS1 TRIP TO SEE BOING

On Tuesday morning Classes 1 and 2 went to the Bristol Old Vic to see Boing. It was based on a story about two boys and that Father Christmas wouldn't come if they didn't go to sleep. They kept waking up and did various activities when they were meant to be asleep. The children were captivated by this clever performance that was tailored to the younger age group.

KS2 TRIP TO SWALLOWS AND AMAZONS

Classes 3 and 4 went off to Bristol on Tuesday afternoon to see Swallows and Amazons, at the Bristol Old Vic Theatre. It was a musical production written especially for the theatre, receiving a lot of critical acclaim since it came out. The children's parts were all played by adults. We all had a great time watching this cleverly executed play about a group of children who spend their

summer holiday having adventures on an island, pretending to be part of a ship's crew. Thank you to all the parent helpers who helped on the day.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND PARTIES



On Wednesday and Thursday this week our school had our Christmas Lunches and Parties. Father Christmas managed to take time out of his busy schedule to give out parcels in Class 1 & 2 on Wednesday afternoon.

Dates for the Diary

- January 4th - Inset Day
- January 5th - New term begins
- February 12th - Pic "n" Mix event. Opportunity for Family Portraits with Leigh Hibbs and Family Shopping / Lunch
- January 21st - Cross Country Race at SWR
- February 17th - Class 2 Cake Sale
- February 17th - Valentines Disco
- March 2nd - Rose Hill at Westonbirt Cross Country
- March 21st - Dance Festival at SWR
- March 31st - Class 3 Cake Sale
- April 29th - Royal Wedding Event
- July 9th - Summer Fete



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DVD ORDER FORM FOR BUSY, BUSY BETHLEHEM

Name..... Class

I would like to ordercopies of the Nativity DVD at £10 per copy. I enclose a cheque for made payable to Splash Group

Signed