Leigh on Mendip School Nurturing Curious Minds



Newsletter 30 – 12th May 2023

We would like to start by saying how proud we are of the Year 6 children this week and their enormous efforts in the SATs tests. The tests haven't been easy but all of our children have remained resilient and positive throughout. This afternoon, they have all enjoyed a treat of pizza and popcorn, with fun in the tent up on the top field!

We have been very lucky to have had a substantial donation towards our reward book stock recently and Mrs Phillips is very keen to give out new books to children who read consistently at home. We have noticed that some are not reading as much as they were at the beginning of the year when we started this initiative. Reading practice has been proven to be crucial in accelerating progress and fostering enjoyment. We are really pleased that most children have their '50 reads' certificates and have chosen a new book, many have also had their '100 reads' and a second book, but there are still more beautiful new books up for grabs. Please continue to read with your child every day and record in their reading diaries.

Next week we will be taking part in Walk to School Week and we would like to encourage you and your child to 'walk with wildlife' and discover the important reasons to walk along with the difference it can make for individuals, communities and the planet. Your child will come home with a 'walk with wildlife' activity diary with a few fun activities to do inside. The aim of the week is to make as many active journeys as possible and we will be tracking each class's activity and writing a class walking pledge. We are aware that many of our pupils do not live in the village and have to use cars to get to school, so why don't you try 'Park and Stride', parking a ten minute walk away from school and completing the journey on foot. Further support for parents and carers, including a Family Walk to School Kit, is available at https://livingstreets.org.uk/family. We look forward to seeing how many active journeys we manage to record during the week.

Mrs Phillips Mr Turull

	Diary Dates	
	May	
Monday 15th	2.45pm – 3.15pm Starling Class drop in session for parents	
Tuesday 16th	2.45pm – 3.15pm Kingfisher Class drop in session for parents	
Wednesday 17th	2.45pm – 3.15pm Goldfinch Class drop in session for parents	
Thursday 18th	Year 3 and 4 Football Tournament	
	2.45pm - 3.15pm Swallow Class drop in session for parents	
Monday 22nd	Year 6 residential to Barton Hall until Friday 26th May	
Friday 26th	Half Term	
	June	
Monday 5th	Start of Term 6	
Tuesday 6th	New Reception parents meeting 4 - 5pm	
Wednesday 7th	Class photos	
Tuesday 13th	6pm Goldfinch Class Play Performance in Memorial Hall	
Wednesday 14th	2pm Goldfinch Class Play Performance in Memorial Hall	
Thursday 22nd	Jackdaws Picnic - Swallow Class	
Monday 26th	Arts Week	
Thursday 29th	GB athlete to visit school	

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News from the Classrooms



This week in Robins we've been learning about where our food comes from. We've had a lot of fun playing in the tractor that Fi made and we've made our own butter!



This week Kingfishers found out the difference between deciduous and evergreen trees. We also learned about Guttenberg's invention of the printing press and the effect it had on society at the time. In Wren woods we learnt to use positional language to work as a team but by far the most important event of the week was the arrival of Jake the chick!!

For PSHE in Starling class we have been discussing what touches we like and what ones we don't like. We have also discussed the importance of telling a trusted adult if we are touched in a way that we do not like.













is beginning to learn from them and is starting to use less 'gobblefunk' words. Well done Goldfinch class, you have been great teachers! Miss Dillon and Mrs Phelps would like to congratulate our Year 6s on

The children in Goldfinch class have been busy using descriptive language to describe a magical, mythical place. They are so good at writing, the BFG



Miss Dillon and Mrs Phelps would like to congratulate our Year 6s on working so wonderfully hard during their SATs week - they have enjoyed some wind down time and treats this afternoon. Year 5, meanwhile, have been performing poetry with flair and determination!

FOLS

FOLS are organising the third annual Plant Sale on Saturday 13th May from 11am until 3pm at Leigh on Mendip Memorial Hall.

There will be garden and house plants for sale as well as refreshments, so come and grab a bargain! They are also running a garden/plant related raffle with some great prizes on offer.