Leigh on Mendip School Nurturing Curious Minds



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Many children received their first book today in recognition of their fantastic achievement in reading, with many more set to receive theirs on Monday. These children have been reading daily at home, and have made progress in fluency as a result. The books given out today were sourced from Hunting Raven Books in Frome, who very kindly provided us with a wide selection of texts at better than half price. We would like to extend our thanks to Hunting Raven for their support and for their wonderful range of books.

Being a team of book lovers ourselves this is something that we are keen to continue for as long as possible but we need your help! You can do this by donating any good quality books to school; these can be fiction or nonfiction, picture books or chapter books for the older children. We are also keen to raise money to be able to purchase good quality texts ourselves that would suit our children. On Friday 18th November we will be holding the first of our cake sales after school in the hall to help this fund. We would be extremely grateful for any donations of cakes and biscuits! FOLS are also going to be selling second hand uniform and the rest of the wellies left over from the welly swap this week will be available for anyone to come and collect. As this is also Children in Need day, we will share some of the money raised with this very worthwhile cause as well.

Mr Turull and Mrs Phillips

Friends of Leigh School

FOLS will be holding a film night on Friday December 2nd (see the flyer on the last page) - tickets will be available next week via book bag reply slips and volunteer sheets will be up in the office for helpers.

Could we please request any bottle tombola donations, these can be any bottles from chilli sauce to Chilean wine, bath bubbles to champagne bubbles and anything in between! These can be handed in to the school office or any member of the FOLS committee.

We would also like to make a plea for raffle prizes- new smellies, cosmetics, books, games etc anything that you may have at home that might not have a place or won't get used (who doesn't love a re-gifting opportunity), or if any companies would like to donate a lovely raffle prize, we would be very appreciative. Again, please hand these in to the office or a FOLS member.

Diary Dates:

- 2nd December Mufti day, bring a jam jar full of treats (sweets/smellies/toys) in exchange for wearing your home clothes for the day
- 2nd Dec Christmas film night 3.15-4.30 £5 per ticket
- 10th Dec Christmas craft fair and tree sale, lots of fun activities for the children to make, decorations to buy and some delicious homemade festive snacks and refreshments.

Notices

- Breakfast Club Please remember to make bookings through Ian Groves website for breakfast club on the following link - <u>https://igsportscoaching.co.uk/leigh-on-mendip-school-clubs/</u> He has now added a construction club to run as part of the Thursday morning breakfast club. The children will enjoy planning and building various models from our new Lego and K'nex kits.
- Children in Need If you would like to donate to this cause, please do so via parent pay
 <u>https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=8427</u>
- Wellies Please remember, all children need a pair of wellies in school as above.



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Diary Dates for the Autumn Term 2

Each Week	
Monday	pm - Violin lesson for Goldfinch Class and Forest School for Starling Class
	after school Hand Bells Club
Tuesday	8.00 am Breakfast Club
	PE for all children with Mr Groves
	after school Sports Club with Mr Groves
Wednesday	8.00 am Breakfast Club
	after school - Sunflower Club
Thursday	8.00 am Breakfast Club with Lego and K'Nex
	pm - Swimming lesson for Goldfinch Class
	after school - Origami Club
Friday	pm - Forest School for Kingfisher Class
November	
Thursday 17th	AM Flu vaccinations for children in Goldfinch Class
Friday 18th	Cake Sale 3.15pm

News from the Classrooms



This week in Robins we have been busy sticking, painting and even icing poppy biscuits to remember the brave soldiers.



This week in Kingfishers we learned how our eyes work, we had a fruit and vegetable tasting workshop, we made Remembrance day poppies and discovered the capitals and cities around the UK.



Although in Starling Class we feel that our school is quite a tidy place, on closer inspection during our science lesson we found all this rubbish. We have been discussing how this changes organisms' habitats and therefore some could die. We have a few suggestions that we would like to put to our School Council of how we think we can help solve this problem.



In Goldfinch class we have been spending time looking at non fiction text and have been following instructions in English to make a relaxing rocking boat. This was a challenging task which required a lot of resilience! The children discussed strategies that would help them when they were finding things difficult.



Swallow class children have been enjoying exploring in Music this week. We talked about tempo and then played parts of songs on xylophones. We finished our lesson with some composition work of our own!











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