



Term 2

Welcome back to Term 2, we all hope you had a restful and enjoyable half-term break. We now have the run-up to Christmas which is always a really exciting time in primary schools. As there are so many events going on this term, keep an eye out on our diary dates.

Parents' Consultation Evening

Thank you to everyone who came along to our parent consultations this week. Now that we have had a term in school, it is always good to share the progress the children have been making and how they have settled back into life at school. We hope that Starlings' parents found the short reports useful in Mrs Ball's absence. I know this isn't as good as meeting in person, but it seemed the best way to pass on information at this time. Many thanks to Mrs Ball who completed these while on sickness absence. If any parents were unable to attend this week, please contact us to make an appointment.

Anti-bullying week

Next week is anti-bullying week and this year's theme is 'respect.' Through a range of enjoyable activities the children will explore what the term 'bullying' means and how we can ensure we are kind and respectful to each other. Don't forget children are able to wear odd socks on Tuesday to promote inclusivity.

Mr Turull

Street Dance - Goldfinch Class

This week, children in Goldfinch class enjoyed a session of Street Dance with IG Sports. Here's what they thought:

"Street dance was so much fun. I loved it. I thought I was really good and now I keep practising. I love the dance routine and I am so glad they did it and the teachers were lovely." - Flo

"I found Street Dance interactive. It was super fun and I am so glad that I could be a part of it. If you were trying to find something to do it would be perfect for you. My favourite part was the ending of the dance." - Theo

"When we did Street Dance it was so much fun. The song we danced to was really good and we all enjoyed it. If you haven't tried it, I really recommend it" - Jess





Notices

- **Anti-Bullying Week** - On the week of 11th - 15th November we will be supporting anti-bullying week in school.
On **Tuesday 12th November** we will be taking part in 'Odd Socks Day' to celebrate everyone's differences. Please can children wear odd socks as part of their usual school uniform.
- On **Friday 15th November** it is Children in Need Day. Children are welcome to 'wear something spotty' or wear pyjamas. Donations can be made on Parent Pay via the following link should you wish to donate. <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=15611>
- **Rags2Riches** - Please bring your donations to school on Monday 11th November either in the bags provided or a black bag.
- **Clubs** - Children are welcome to bring a small healthy snack to after-school clubs should they wish. There will be NO school run after school clubs on the last week of school (16-20th December)
- **RSV - Respiratory syncytial virus** - We have been made aware that there are children within our school that have been diagnosed with this virus. This has subsequently led to a case of pneumonia. Please be conscious of this and aware of the symptoms should they arise.
- **Christmas Festival** - Come and join us for our Christmas Festival on Saturday 7th December between 10am-2pm to raise funds for Leigh On Mendip School. We will be hosting: Our popular Christmas tree sale, a brand new Santa's Grotto Experience, independent stalls, elf workshop, games and crafts, festive refreshments.

Santa's Grotto Tickets can be purchased from Ticket Source or by following this QR code:

Christmas Trees can be ordered on the day or in advance to the school office.

Book your
Santa's Grotto
tickets here:



Diary Dates

November

Tuesday 12th	Odd Socks Day
Wednesday 13th	Open Morning - 9.30am - 11am
Wednesday 13th	Blue Cross visit to school to discuss Dog Safety.
Friday 15th	Children in Need Day
Wednesday 20th	'Meet a Governor' at 8.45am in the school playground
Wednesday 20th	Open Afternoon - 1.30pm - 3pm
Tuesday 26th	Book Fair arrives at School
Wednesday 27th	INSET DAY

December

Friday 6th	FOLS Print and Prosecco Evening
Saturday 7th	Christmas Fayre & Christmas Tree Sale
Monday 9th	Christmas Violin Performance - Goldfinches 2.45pm - 3.15pm
Tuesday 10th	Book Fair Ends
Thursday 12th	Christmas jumper day
Friday 13th	Whole School pantomime trip
Wednesday 18th	KS2 Christmas Carol Service TBC
Wednesday 18th	Christmas Lunch Day
Thursday 19th	KS1 Nativity Play TBC
Thursday 19th	FOLS Movie night & PJs
Friday 20th	End of Term 2



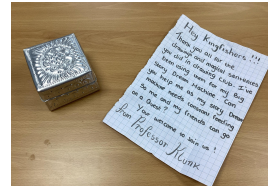
News from the Classrooms



We have been talking all about fireworks and bonfires in Robin Class this week. The children have created different firework art; using paint, glue and different shapes. We have watched firework display videos and spoken about how to stay safe when watching fireworks. We have also been exploring light and dark as our theme of this term.



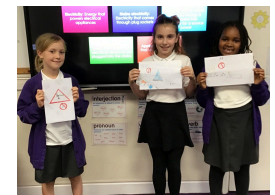
Recently we had an intruder in our classroom!!! Professor Klunk borrowed all our drawings and magical writing to feed his Big Dream Story Machine. We are not sure who this professor is or what his magical machine can do but we are very excited to share with him the work we do in our English lessons. He also left us a magical portal (silver box) we can use to communicate with him through written messages! Have you ever heard about Professor Klunk?



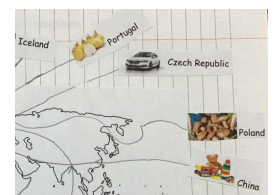
This week in Starlings the children have enjoyed their geography learning the different continents. In science they started a new topic and learnt about igneous rocks. Yesterday the children were excited to go back to forest school and create bonfire collages.



In Goldfinch class we started our new science topic of electricity. This week we were looking at electrical appliances and how to be safe when using electricity. We created posters to show how to be safe around electricity and what might happen if we are not responsible.



In Swallows this week, we started our Geography topic on Global Trade. We looked at importing and exporting goods. The children then created a world trade flow chart to show where our imported items come from. They used maps to find the countries and then draw arrows from that country to the UK.



LEIGH ON MENDIP SCHOOL
Nurturing Curious Minds

STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2025?
Join us for a tour of our lovely village school and find out why our children love to learn.

OPEN MORNING
13th November 2024
9.30am - 11am

OPEN AFTERNOON
20th November 2024
1.30pm - 3pm

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE

Please call 01373 812592
Or email - office@leighonmendipschool.co.uk

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Come & join us for an evening of creative fun, designing & printing your own Christmas cards.

Friday 6th December 6:30-9pm
Leigh on Mendip Memorial Hall

£15pp includes a glass of fizz and a mince pie

Tickets available from the school office. Numbers are limited so be quick!

All materials will be provided

Raising funds for Leigh on Mendip School