



LEECHPOOL CURRICULUM Newsletter



Trips

We are coming to the end of another year at Leechpool and have carried out some fantastic trips linking to our year group topics. These opportunities allow the children gain real-world experiences which cannot be taught in the classroom; strengthening their knowledge of the world around them.

EYFS—Arundel Castle



Year 1—Pullborough Brooks



Year 3—Drusilla's Park



Year 5—South Downs Planetarium



An Important Visitor

At Leechpool, we strive to give children the opportunities to show their writing matters. After learning about how the Government works in PSHE, Year 5 wrote persuasive letters to local MP, Jeremy Quin, expressing their desires for Horsham. Much to their surprise, Mr Quin not only wrote them each a letter back, but hand delivered them as well. They spent part of the day asking lots of questions to Mr Quin about his role as an MP and he has invited them to come down to the Houses of Parliament when they are in Year 6.

The children were overwhelmed and excited that their literacy writing in class led to this unique experience, taking more pride and ownership over their work.

Summer Holiday Reading

There is not a more important skill to keep up over the summer than reading. To help encourage this, your child can sign up to the [Summer Reading Challenge 2023](#) at your local library or online. This years theme is 'Ready, set, read!' which is all about sport and games. By signing up you can set a reading goal to read as many books as you can from the library, achieving prizes along the way!

Alternatively, you can find books which have been identified as excellent reads for your child's age group on Leechpool's [Recommended Reading](#) list. This is a great start for any parents who want to ensure their child is reading high quality texts over the summer holidays.

Year 2—Tilgate Park



KS1 and KS2 Results

We continue to be proud of our ongoing improvements to achievement and attainment and the hard work that children put in everyday.

This hard work from children and staff is highlighted in our end of key stage results this year for both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. National statistics will be published in September for Key Stage 1.

The results can be seen on our [website](#).

Year 4—Science Museum



Transition

Transition is important for all children, whether moving from year to year or from primary to secondary. These steps can be exciting and offer new opportunities, but it is vital that children are supported as they make these steps to ensure that any worries or anxieties are addressed and kept to a minimum. The children enjoyed their transition afternoon on the 5th July and we have held information presentations for parents in EYFS and Year 2. There have also been numerous lessons and visits to support our Year 6 children moving into Year 7. Doodle have created a [free guide](#) to provide our Year 6 pupils and parents with useful hints and tips. Do give it a read!

Year 6—Chessington

