

Leechpool Link 2022-23

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General updates

Dear Everyone

Welcome back to the second part of the Autumn term and the many events ahead.

Class assemblies have already started this term and families are invited to attend to watch their children. At the assemblies we have only invited the year group to attend. Families coming in for assemblies should wait in the Junior playground and when invited to enter the silver gates by the hall. In the event of wet weather please use the main entrance where families will be able to wait in a dry area. Thank you

At the end of term we will be inviting families to a range of Christmas Productions. The dates are as follows. The dates and time for this will be as below. We are unable to run a crèche for younger siblings—sorry!

Year Group	Venue	Production Date	Time
EYFS	School Hall	Thursday 7th December	10.00 a.m.
Penguin—Year 1	School Hall	Thursday 1st December	2.00 p.m.
Seal —Year 1	School Hall	Friday 2nd December	2.00 p.m.
Year 3	All Saints Church	Thursday 8th December	2.00 p.m.
Year 4	All Saints Church	Thursday 8th December	6.00 p.m.
Year 5	School Hall	Tuesday 13th December	2.00 p.m.
Year 6	School Hall	Tuesday 13th December	6.30 p.m.

After the performances we will be asking for donations to Children in Need and other chosen charities as identified by the Pupil Voice Team at the different Christmas productions and we hope you will all support the different causes identified by the children of Leechpool.

British Legion—Poppy Appeal

The Pupil Voice Team are currently organising a collection for the British Legion's Poppy Appeal. A separate letter has been shared with families listing the range of products available for donations. On Friday 11th the school will be observing a 1 minute silence. Some of the Year 6 children will be involved in the Horsham Town Remembrance



Anti Bullying Week 14—18 November 2022

At all times the school is actively working with all the children to ensure that kindness and respect for each other is shown. During National Anti Bullying Week we reflect on this from a wider perspective across schools and communities.

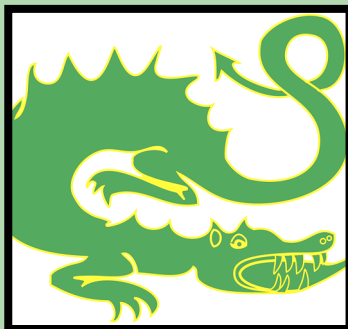
To start the week off we are encouraging all children to take part in

Odd Socks Day on Monday 14th November.



Reception Admissions for September 2023

We are currently arranging information for families with children who are due to start school in September 2023. If you would like more information about the School or know of a family who would, please contact the School Office. Tours of the school are available for families upon request.



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School Places 2022-23

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Leaf Updates

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Special Dates of

Interest:

18 Nov Big Run 2

Children in Need—Spots

18 Nov LEAF donation Day

18 Nov Children in Need Event — spotty clothes or crazy shoes

25 Nov LEAF Christmas Fayre 3—5 p.m.

14 Dec Christmas Lunch

16 Dec End of Term

3 Jan Spring Term begins

See the Diary Page Updates for further information about dates for this term and 2022

Curriculum Support at home

Thank you everyone for attending the Parent consultations before half term. Over 95% of families attended and this shows the great partnership that exists at Leechpool between the school and families.

This term we will be identifying areas where families can support their children's learning further and share these in the next curriculum newsletter. The link [here](#) identifies ideas for supporting Literacy related to the current progress of children. This was shared with families last year but we felt it might be a good time to remind everyone again.

At the end of last half term we carried out our half termly assessments and the outcomes show that the children are making good and accelerated progress. Please continue to support your child with encouragement for completing homework, regular reading, handwriting practice, spellings and timetables learning and practice.

Mathematics fluency can also be practiced using the link [here](#) to our Dragon/Rainbow and Solar Mathematics.

We also like to hear about the children's many achievements from home so do remind them to bring these into school to share with everyone.

LEAF Donation Day Friday 18th November – Mufti-Day for Children– Children in Need Day – spots/crazy shoes

Infants - Jolly Jars - Please bring in a decorated filled jar – your jar can contain wrapped sweets or small toys. Please do not use pickle jars as this can taint the contents of the jar.

Juniors - Christmas Chocolate(s) - Please bring in some novelty Christmas chocolate for the Chocolate Tombola e.g. selection box, chocolate bar, share bags of chocolate, foiled coins. No nuts please.

OR small toiletries [male and female]/candles/items for re-gifting – for our secret wrapping room.



LEAF Christmas Fayre

Will be on Friday 25 November 2022 3.00p.m.—5.00p.m. Arrangements are currently being made and we hope you will all support this event especially with requests for helping on the day.

Information about the event will be shared over the next few weeks. The format will include class stalls and outside craft stalls as well as some favourite attractions such as Jolly Jars, Chocolate tombola, Water and Wine etc. and of course a visit to Father Christmas.



Reminders

Registration Times

Please be reminded that registration times for pupils are staggered but we need children to arrive at their allocated time. **All Key Stage 2 children (Juniors) should be in school by 8.45 a.m.** when the silver gates are closed.

Infant children should be in class by 8.55 a.m. Children arriving after this time need to report to the School Office.



Safety and Being Seen

The dark nights have begun and the cold and wet weather is officially starting, so coats for everyone please, every day!

Please also ensure that children are visible during the dark nights with reflectors – especially children who are independently making their way to and from school.

If you have any questions regarding any aspect of this newsletter, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

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