

Leigh on Mendip First School

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Newsletter 7 - 25th October 2018



While the children are on their half-term break, our school will become an academy on 1st November. We have been busy completing the final paperwork in the last couple of weeks; special thanks to Ms Claxton who has worked tirelessly on this time-consuming project! As we have said before you probably won't notice many initial changes, although we will start seeing the benefits of joining the Midsomer Norton Schools' Partnership (MNSP) in the coming weeks.

If you have not yet had a chance then please come in and sign up for parents' evening. We have two sessions available as listed below on the school diary dates. This is an opportunity for you to meet with your child's class teacher and discuss their learning so far this year. Mr Turull and Mr Schlechter will be available in the school hall should you wish to discuss any matters with them. Please remember that we are always available should you have any concerns, worries or thoughts that you would like to share with us.

We have had a very kind request from a parent to come and hear readers and would like to invite anyone else who has a spare morning or afternoon and who would like to give their time to the school. This could also be to help hear readers or to help with other activities such as taking the children swimming on a Thursday afternoon. Please come and see Mrs Phillips if you are interested.

Both Eagle and Owl class attended an amazing percussion workshop at Writhlington School on Tuesday, where they listened to an array of different percussion instruments. Many thanks to Mrs Briggs at Writhlington School for arranging the morning and providing squash and biscuits.

This week, the children in Eagle Class have been designing their own bonfire/firework cakes and cupcakes and have worked really hard to write up their instructions to take home. Please feel free to make your child's designer cake over the holidays and bring in a photograph ready for our competition! We will let you know more details on this next term.

The children all look fantastic in their Halloween mufti today (as do many of the staff!). Don't forget that FOLS have organised a Halloween party at the Memorial Hall this Saturday, starting at 4:00pm. More details are on the next page in the FOLS box.

Finally, we would like to say thank you to the whole school community for a very positive first term of the year. We have both been really impressed with how well the children have been learning and behaving and look forward to returning on 5th November for the run up to Christmas. We hope you all have a relaxing and enjoyable week's break.

Mrs Phillips

Mr Turull

Notices

- Please bring any bags of unwanted clothes to school ready for the Bags for Help collection on the 14th November.
- For any Year 3 and 4 parents please make sure you have sent in your £20 deposit for the residential trip in May 2019 by 5th November if you wish your child to attend.
- We have made a fantastic £222.53 profit from the Christmas cards that the children designed.

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Tai Chi

Our pupils really enjoyed a Tai Chi session this week led by a lady called Min Robertson. Min has been working in some local schools for a year delivering Tai Chi with very positive feedback. We have arranged with her to lead an after-school club starting on the third week back and will send out more details at the beginning of Term 2.



Art and Craft Exhibition

These are three images from the Art and Craft exhibition which was held in the Memorial Hall on the weekend of 13th/ 14th October. All our children contributed to the work which was on display.

Thanks once again to Julia Blaker, her daughter Eva and Vicki Taylor for coming in to school to work with all the children on this fantastic project.



School Diary Dates

October 2018

Sat 27th FOLS Halloween Party at the Memorial Hall 4-6pm

HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 29th October - Friday 2nd November

November 2018

Wed 7th Parent consultations 5.30-7.30pm

Mon 12th Parent consultations 1.30-4pm

Tue 13th FOLS meeting 7.30pm at school

Wed 14th Bags of Help Collection 9am

Wed 14th Anti bullying walk 1.30 - 2pm

Wed 21st After school Tai Chi club starts

December 2018

Wed 12th Owl Class Nativity Play in Memorial Hall at 2pm

Mon 17th Carol Concert in St Giles Church at 11am

FOLS

Halloween Party
Leigh on Mendip
Memorial Hall
Saturday
27 October 2018
4.00pm - 6.00pm
Join us for ghoulish games, daring dancing and frightening food!
E4 1st Child. E2 Siblings.
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