



SMART CODE

Speak politely and listen carefully

Make school enjoyable for everyone



Act safely



Respect and care for each other



Tell someone your worries



Term 2, Newsletter 4 (2018-19)

Dear Parents

19th December 2018

We have had a wonderful year at Leighterton Primary School and the visit from His Royal Highness, The Prince of Wales on Monday was a fabulous way to end the year. I think that memories made will be cherished forever. The children were brilliant and their behaviour was exemplary. Thank you to everybody for the tidying up and cleaning that you helped with to prepare our school.

Apsemore and Bowldown children moved into their new classrooms last January and the offices were in the school library for several months until we moved into the new building at the front of the school in April. Having everyone in the same building, under one roof, has made such a difference for us all. The facilities are great and we are in a good place to move forward.

Our amazing PTFA have bought a set of new laptops and the children love using these in many lessons – both computing and others.

We said 'goodbye' to our Y6 children in July and it has been lovely to hear back from many of them about their successes. We love seeing and hearing from them.

We have welcomed new children into Apsemore class and Ridge class and love seeing all of the children blossom.

Thank you to all families for the support and help you always generously give us.

On behalf of the whole team at Leighterton, may I wish you all a very happy Christmas and hope you have a wonderful break.

School Focus:

Attendance for this term has really improved. Thank you for all of your support.

Current Attendance	Authorised Absence	Unauthorised Absence
97.94%	1.95%	0.11%

PARENT SURVEY

At Leighterton Primary School we always want to improve and would like to gather your views on how we do things here. Thank you to the families that have already returned their surveys. Please would you help us by completing this by Thursday 20th December so we can plan how we can continue to improve. The children are also completing a survey.

SOCIAL MEDIA AND TECHNOLOGY

As many children will receive technological gifts at Christmas, may I remind you to double check that these are being used safely by them. It is important to know who they are communicating with online, just as we would in the real world. We are their role models and need to ensure that any online activity is appropriate.

PARKING

We have a family in school who need to use the disabled parking space, which is directly in front of my office. Thank you, in advance, for ensuring that the space is kept clear everyday, so it can be used by those who need it.

Activities

POP UP STAY AND PLAY

Sarah Thorogood, Zoe Nicholls and Jenna Walker will be running ‘Pop Up Stay and Play’ sessions in January. Dates for this will be January 17th, 24th, 31st and February 7th. The sessions will run from 9.30 am – 10.45 am and may be outside, so please wear appropriate clothing.

FILMING AT LEIGHTERTON

Thank you to the families who have returned the permission slips for filming around school to make a marketing video. Some of the children may be included in this. If you are happy for your child to be included, please would you complete and return the reply slip at the bottom of this newsletter.

Yours sincerely

M Hatfield

Headteacher

Diary Dates 2018-2019

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Term 2	7/12/18	Clubs finish
	10/12/18	Nativity Dress Rehearsal Begins 1.30pm (Doors Open 1.15pm)
	11/12/18	Nativity Performance Begins 1.30pm (Doors Open 1.15pm)
	19/12/18	Christmas Dinner – wear Christmas Jumpers in return for a donation for the bottle tombola
	20/12/18	Christmas Party Lunch followed by parties and Santa’s visit
	20/12/18	The Present Room, with mulled wine, movie room and bottle tombola
	20/12/18	Please ensure that you have completed and returned the Parent Survey
	21/12/18	Singing round the Christmas Tree
	21/12/18	End of term 2
Term 3	7/1/19	Term 3 begins
	17/1/19	Pop Up Stay and Play 9.30 – 10.45 am
	24/1/19	Pop Up Stay and Play 9.30 – 10.45 am
	31/1/19	Pop Up Stay and Play 9.30 – 10.45 am
	4/2/19	Ridge Class training and Whole School Assembly - Safer Internet
	7/2/19	Pop Up Stay and Play 9.30 – 10.45 am

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MUSIC PERFORMANCE DURING CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

..... (child’s name) would like to perform during the entrance or exit to Celebration Assembly. He/ she will be playing (instrument).

Signed _____ (Parent)

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MARKETING FILM

I give permission for (name of child) to be filmed as part of the marketing film. I understand that this film will be used to help to market Leighterton Primary School.

Signed _____ (Parent)