Leigh C.E. Primary School



28th February 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back everyone, I hope that you had a really enjoyable half term. Our children are fully back into the swing of school and have had an excellent week enjoying some really interesting activities. Our new Guinea Pigs are proving to be a real hit and the Reception children are learning lots about how to care for living things. Other exciting activities have included the dissection of various flowers to discover the different parts, drama workshops and fantastic circuit training exercises in PE. Even the staff have enjoyed new learning this week as the three schools across the Wings' CE Trust came together to share art training. We are all looking forward to using these skills with the children in preparation for our Art Festival later in the year.

Yesterday, the children in Year 1 invited their families to join them in the hall for a Phonics Party. It was a real success with lots of families joining in the fun. Thank you to everyone who attended and thank you also for such positive comments. We are delighted that you enjoyed it!

Today we have celebrated 'Think Red in Feb' day, where the children have been learning all about first aid techniques, healthy eating and exercise. Everyone has looked fabulous in their red socks and we are delighted to have raised £102.00 for the 'Hand on Heart' defibrillator charity. Thank you all for your support and generous donations.

Next Thursday, our children in Year 1 and 2 will represent Wigan by taking part in a North West singing festival. 'The Princess and the Pea' will be performed at the Lighthouse Church in Salford. Rehearsals in school have sounded beautiful this week. The children have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in this project and are super excited about their show. Please can parents of children in Year 1 and 2 ensure that permission slips have been completed and returned to school. Don't forget to send children dressed as a character from this story!

We will also be celebrating World Book Day in school next Thursday. All children are invited to come into school dressed as their favourite book character.

Our Scholastic Book Fair will run throughout the week from Monday 2nd March to Friday 6th March. Parents and children are welcome to come into the hall every day after school from 3.10pm to 3.30pm to look at and purchase books.

Just a reminder that we are currently developing a code of conduct for parents, similar to the one that we have in place for staff and governors. We feel it is important to involve parents in this process and include your views and so we would like to invite you to a workshop on Monday 2nd March 2.30-3.15pm where we will begin to draft our own version. Pastoral staff and school leaders will be there to welcome you with a brew and cake, and we look forward to seeing you!

Have a wonderful weekend.

Very best wishes, Mrs Oxborough

Headteacher Mrs C Oxborough

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Forthcoming Dates

- Book Fair all week from 3.10 3.30pm
- Monday 2nd March 2.30 -3.15: Parent 'Code of Conduct' workshop
- Thursday 5th March (am): Princess and The Pea performance for children in Year 1 and 2.
- Thursday 5th March World Book day

TEST DATES:

Y6 SATS tests will take place during the week beginning Monday 11th May 2020.

Y2 SATS will take place during the week beginning Monday 18th May 2020.

Y1 Phonics screening will take place during the week beginning 8th June 2020.

Headteacher Mrs C Oxborough