



Little Leigh Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers and Families,

It's been a pleasure to welcome the children back for the Spring term. It's such a lovely time of year with the daylight slowly increasing and enjoying those cold, clear blue days. The children have all been busy bees learning and having fun at school. Here are some of the highlights for you:

New Learning Themes

Each class is already enjoying their new learning this term. Take a look at your child's class page on our school website to find out about all the exciting plans for their learning this half term.

Music Lessons

Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed their first brass instrument music lesson. Watching the children learning to play cornets and euphoniums is an absolute joy and the music I heard on Wednesday morning was fabulous! I'm sure we'll see some budding musicians in the class and, hopefully, some children will feel inspired to further their talents!

Swimming Lessons

Year 5/6 swimming classes began this week. It was lovely to see the children so excited to begin them! I was so impressed with their behaviour and effort at the leisure centre – they were an absolute credit to you and to the school.

Reading

As you will all be aware, reading is something we value hugely at Little Leigh Primary School. We work hard to foster a love of reading through whole class reading, independent reading, listening to adults read, reading buddies every week and surrounding the children with a wide range of beautiful, quality literature.

Reading at home is the only thing we can't do! Reading at home is absolutely vital for children's reading progress: listening to them read, reading to them or even (certainly for our younger children) just looking through a book and discussing the illustrations.

We don't set a lot of homework but we do expect you to read with your children at least three times each week – even if only for 10 minutes each time. Obviously, we would encourage you to read even more than this where possible! By popping a quick comment into their reading diary, their teacher can share and build upon their success and learning interests from home and/or address any challenges they have come across.

Create Learning Trust Work

Last week, members of Create Learning Trust came together for training in Paediatric First Aid and Statutory Safeguarding.

The Trust's SENDCos have also met to finalise our plans for a Dyslexia Pathway and strategies to implement when further supporting children who present with dyslexia

characteristics. This is a really exciting piece of work where our schools can align a consistent approach and develop quality training for all teachers and teaching assistants.

Holiday Dates

Our school holiday dates for 2023/24 are attached.

Please be aware that as some High Schools have deviated from the CWAC dates, you may find that our holiday dates may not be aligned.



If you would like to see more of what your children have been enjoying at school, join us on our Facebook and/or Twitter page (@LittleLeighSch).

I wish you all a happy weekend,

Mrs T Clarke
Headteacher