



e-news @ Leigh & Branford Primary School

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It is 'pretty Christmassy' here today; we have had a lovely time.

Mr Bill, Front of school - Just a note to let you know- especially anyone with children in Class 1 or 2 – we have ordered some more bark for the front areas of school where the children currently play, we are just waiting for a delivery. No more muddy shoes!

Christmas Cards – These need to be in today so they can quarantine before they are distributed out. **Please note that this arrangement is only to be used within class bubbles. **LAST DAY TO BRING THEM IN IS TODAY****

Christmas Jumper Day – Everyone looked very festive. If you have not yet donated your £1 to Save the Children , you can do so online using the link below. Please no cash into school. Select 'single' <https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/donate>

West Mercia Police, Safer Schools – The Safer Schools dept have been in touch asking if we could “remind parents to follow social distancing and avoid gathering in groups” at drop off and pick up.

Christmas Mugs – These went out today!

Story of Christmas – The local church have left some books for each child depicting the story of Christmas, if you do not want to receive this please let the office know. These will go out on Monday 14th.

Christmas in the village – There are lots of Christmas pebbles around the village for you to hunt out when you are walking to school and further a field. We would love to see any pictures in the Facebook group - Leigh Sinton Christmas 2020.

From Saturday 12th December there will be a trail of 24 Christmas stars for you to look out for - find all 24 and you can decode a special festive message. – For more information go to the Leigh Sinton Christmas Facebook page.

You can share a festive message with others via the message tree in the Jubilee Garden (centre of the village), just pop your message in the 'post box' at the Martial Arts centre.

Woodland Trust – Please find attached a link for some lovely free resources to access over the winter. http://www.treetoolsforschools.org.uk/activitymenu/?cat=winter&utm_campaign=2049682_14418_GTSAEmail_Dec20_202012_03&utm_medium=email&utm_source=woodlandtrust&dm_i=3JOZ,17XJM,GH1M8,4DKZZ,1

In the case of illness - It is inevitable that during the coming weeks members of the school community will exhibit potential Covid symptoms, with that in mind I would like to let you know the following procedure.

· If your child is displaying Covid symptoms then please do not send them (or any sibling) to school but do let us know by 8.30 am by contacting the school office. (Symptoms are any of - a continuous cough, a temperature above 37.8c or a loss/change in the sense of taste or smell.)

· Anyone who is displaying these symptoms should arrange to be tested by visiting: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/> If you are struggling to get a test then please phone the school office on 01886 832342 and we will endeavour to assist you.

· Please note that anyone displaying Covid symptoms should be isolating at home for 14 days from onset of symptoms, or until a negative test is received. The rest of the household should isolate at home for 14 days.

We will supply work for pupils who are self-isolating.

Newsletter Class Focus – Next week it is Miss Hutchinson and Class 6.

Dates for your Diary

Christmas – Friday 18th December 2020-Monday 4th January 2021 ****REMEMBER THE 4TH JANUARY IS A TED DAY****

Spring mid Term – Friday 12th February 2021-Monday 22nd February 2021

Easter – Thursday 1st April 2021 – Monday 19th April 2021

Summer mid Term – Friday 28th May 2021 – Monday 7th June 2021

End of Term – Wednesday 21st July 2021

Bank Holidays

Good Friday – Friday 2nd April 2021

Easter Monday – Monday 5th April 2021

May Day – Monday 3rd May

Whitsun Bank Holiday – Monday 31st May

TED Days

Monday 4th January 2021, Thursday 6th May 2021, Friday 25th June 2021

The Friends Zone



Do you shop on Amazon? Will Santa's Elves be checking the Wish List's this year? If so, you could make your shopping count by signing up to Amazon Smile, you can support the school at no extra cost to yourself. Here is our link: <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1055075-0> Amazon Smile is no different to your existing Amazon site, the same login in, same prices, same card details, your delivery details all still work, but Amazon will donate 0.5% of your order total directly to the school. When you shop just use www.smile.amazon.co.uk for your shopping. Choose The Friends of Leigh and Branford School as your chosen charity. If you use the Amazon app, tap on settings and then Amazon Smile and follow the on screen instructions to turn on Amazon Smile on your device.



We have a great money saving deal for parents when it comes to your home energy bills too! We have signed up with Octopus Energy, who are a *Which?* recommended Energy Supplier for the last 3 years in a row! If you switch to Octopus using the schools link below, not only will you receive £50 off your bill from Octopus but they will also donate £50 to the school for each new customer who signs up at no cost to you.

You can't say fairer than that, what are you waiting for.....

<https://f-o-leigh-bransford-p-s.octopus.energy/>

Design A Christmas Cake - We are inviting children to create their own cake design. The winning design will be recreated by the Gorgeous Little Cake Company and presented to the winner on Pyjama Day (18th December). Designs can be made on any piece of paper and you are not limited to a Big Cake -you could design cupcakes or brownies too!!! **Please hand entries to the office by Monday 14th December. 50p per entry. We love seeing all your entries!**

Christmas Raffle - Don't forget to buy your ticket for our raffle. To enter please text **LBXMAS20** to **70970**. Tickets cost £5. The raffle will be drawn on Monday 14th December. **Also, if the link does not work you can drop the cash into the office in a sealed envelope with your name and phone number on the front. Good luck, there are some great hampers to win.**

Pyjama Day -Friday 18th December - As a treat on Pyjama day, the Friends have arranged for the children to watch an online pantomime -Sleeping Beauty in their classrooms. If you would also like to purchase the panto to watch at home with your family this can be done through the following link <https://www.universe.com/flbs>.

The Best Bits - Celebrating Our Achievements and Successes

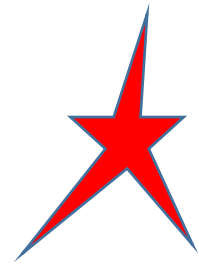


Reception

Kyle – Trying hard with your manners.

Evie – Fantastic guided drawings.

Jenson and Harrison – Improved phonics.



Class 1

Maisy and Scarlet – Making good progress in phonics.

Ella – Good contribution in the class.

Robyn – Great letter formation.



Class 2

Robin – Excellent knowledge of materials in science.

Alex – Always trying hard.



Class 3

Jack B – For using excellent vocabulary in his writing.

Harriet – For always being a helpful and considerate class member.

Dexter – For using his amazing creativity and imagination in his writing.



Class 4

Milly – For clearly explaining how to divide by 10 and 100.

Skylar – For writing an informative and interesting biography about Malala.

Charlotte – For knowing all the words and actions for our Christmas song. Thank you,
I often follow you!

Isla – For regularly finding fronted adverbials in her reading and beginning to use them
in her writing.

Izzy – For having a great attitude towards all of her work.



Class 5

Erin, Jayden, Issy M and Olivia – Superb effort in art.

Rory – Excellent progress in handwriting.



Class 6

Charlie, Beth, Max and Rosie – Excellent effort in literacy.

