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*** Happy Holidays *** Happy Holidays *** Happy Holidays *** Happy Holidays *** Happy Holidays ***

Mr Bill - Curriculum Survey: I would like to give you a further update about actions taken as a result of your feedback. In line with your views we have now put a greater emphasis on celebrating and understanding diversity. We have also taken on board the feedback we received about the importance of physical activity and its links to physical and mental health. Please follow this link for more details: <https://www.leighbransford.worcs.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Curriculum-Intent.pdf> We will be spending our teaching training day in January to further develop our curriculum to identify opportunities within our curriculum to develop these themes.

Mr Bill - Covid: As things stand, if your child develops covid during the Christmas holidays, there is no need to email the C19 email address as you did during previous holidays. Contact tracing now operates in a different way and LORT (the local outbreak team) will contact the school directly should they consider an outbreak has occurred. (LORT will receive and collate information directly from the contact tracing team.) As always, we will then follow their guidance and pass on the necessary information to you. That said, if there is anything urgent Covid related that you think I need to know, then please do contact me at head@leighbransford.worcs.sch.uk. I will be checking my emails in between Christmas and the start of term. I have also been asked by the DfE to pass on the following to you: Adults who are fully vaccinated and all children and young people aged between 5 to 18 years and 6 months identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19, are strongly advised to take a lateral flow device (LFD) test every day for 7 days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result.

Mr Bill - Friends: I would like to say a big public thank you to our PTA committee for putting on such a wonderful Christmas Fayre last Friday. It was impressive that you had the adaptability to create such a great event during this challenging period. I know that the Friends are always looking for new members, so if you can help in the future please contact Sam Slade via the school office.

Mr Bill - Merry Christmas: On behalf of everyone here I would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas! I hope that everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday. Thanks to everyone for the cards and gifts which are never expected but always gratefully received. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Wednesday 5th January.

Extra Curricular Clubs – These will be running next term as a follow on from this term. Same day and same time. If you are in the club already then your provider will be contacting you for payment. We are just finalising with the providers when they start but we are hoping clubs will be running from w/c 10th January. WE WILL CONFIRM THIS.

Morrisons 'Good to Grow' - Thank you to everyone who supported this, we received 2286 Grow Tokens to spend. We have ordered a nesting box, some seeds, a watering can and some spades and forks. We are looking forward to receiving these in the New Year.

Term Dates for your Diary

Christmas Holiday – Friday 17th December 2021 – Wednesday 5th January 2022

Spring term – Wednesday 5th January 2022 – Friday 8th April 2022

Spring mid-term – Friday 18th February 2022 - Tuesday 1st March 2022

Easter – Friday 8th April 2022 – Monday 25th April 2022

Summer Term – Monday 25th April 2022 – Thursday 21st July 2022

Summer mid-term – Friday 27th May 2022 – Monday 6th June 2022

*****Bank Holidays*****

Good Friday - Friday 15th April 2022

Platinum Jubilee Holiday – Friday 3rd June 2022

Easter Monday – Monday 18th April 2022

Additional Bank Holiday – Friday 22nd July 2022 (Please see amended Summer Term end date)

Whitsun Bank Holiday – Thursday 2nd June 2022

*****TED Days 2021-2022*****

Tuesday 4th January 2022

Monday 27th June 2022

Monday 28th February 2022



Celebrating our Successes and Achievements



Beatrix Potter Writer of the Week Award (Remember the work is displayed in Reception for one week so come and see)

Reception – Robyn: A lovely Christmas card.

Class 1 – Olive: Excellent writing about 'Lost and Found'

Class 2 – Zach: Excellent progress in writing.

Class 4 – George: For using his story plan to write the next chapter of The Wizard, the Ugly and the book of Shame.

Class 5 – Pippa: Fantastic poem for home learning.

Class 6 – Neve: Brilliant non-chronological report on the Roman Army.

Alan Turing Maths Award

Class 1 – Lillie: For hard work at subtraction and using number lines

Class 2 – Maisy – Excellent perseverance whilst completing maths work.

Class 3 – Scarlett & Harvey for excellent explanations in maths.

Class 4 – Madison: For checking calculations and making corrections to her work.

Daniel: For checking calculations and making corrections to his work.

Class 5 – Luke: For great mathematical skills in division.

Class 6 – Sammy, Grace, Elsie and Marnie: Excellent effort in maths.

William Morris Art Award

Class 4 – Seth W: For creating an effective optical illusion art work.

David Elkind Forest School Award

Class 5 – Charlotte and Daisy : Excellent work in Forest school.

Mo Farrah Sport Award

Class 5 – Max W: For showing a growth mindset in dance and bravely performing as a soloist.

Class 6 – Charlie, George, Issy S, Beth: Super PE skills.

Jonathan Ive DT Award

Class 2 – Larissa, Isabella and Freya: An amazing static electricity game.

Dr Seuss Reading Award

Class 1 - Jenson: For fantastic effort and progress with reading this term.

Class 2 – Hunter: Enthusiasm for reading and visiting the library.

Creative Clive Award – This term we are focussing on and channelling our inner creativity.

Class 1 – Ellie: For always trying her best this half term.

Harrison: For the effort he has put into his work this term.

Class 2 – George: For excellent creative ideas in all areas of the curriculum.

Weekly Attendance Class Certificates

Every week we will do our top three classes, the children will receive a sticker and 5 minutes extra break as a reward.

First is Class Two with 96.5%, second is Class One with 95.7% and third was Class Five with 95.1%