



e-news @ Leigh & Bransford Primary School

Friday 24th June 2022

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Reminder TED day – please remember that school is closed to pupils on Monday 27th June 2022

Pupil absences – Please remember to inform school via telephone or email if your child is going to be absent from school for any reason. It is the responsibility of the parent to inform school no later than 8.50am, if possible, of any pupil absence and the reason for the absence. There have been a number of occasions recently, when the school office member of staff is having to follow up with a call to ascertain the absence reason, for safeguarding purposes.

Transition afternoons – pupils will be spending the afternoons (1.30pm to 3pm) of Wednesday 6th and 13th July in their new classrooms, to meet their new teachers. We have arranged for Mr Bowkett, Year 6 teacher from September, to attend on these afternoons to meet Year 5 pupils. *Please collect your child, as normal, from their current classroom.*

Staffing changes - I am delighted to announce some further additions to our team here at Leigh and Bransford. As you know, Mrs Beeching will be leaving us at the end of term to pursue a career as a Special Educational Needs School Improvement Advisor. In her place, we have recruited Miss Dean who is currently an Assistant Head in a school in Worcester. She will be taking over Mrs Beeching's current roles here including SEN coordinator. She will also be doing some teaching in Class 4 next year.

We also have some additions to our office team with Mrs Cairns joining us as a School Administrator and Mrs Harrison joining as our Finance Administrator. We are currently in the process of appointing new teaching assistants and I will give you their details once contracts have been finalised.

Class teachers from September 2022

Class teachers 2022-23	
Year Group	Class Teacher
R	Mr Loveday
Y1	Mrs Munn/Miss Earle (Mrs Davies on maternity leave)
Y2	Mrs Tedds/Mrs Turley
Y3	Miss Radford
Y4	Mrs Collard/Miss Dean
Y5	Mrs Sage
Y6	Mr Bowcett
Deputy Head/SENDCO	Miss Dean

Academy status - The due diligence process continues and the Mercian Education Trust have been into our school to undertake a review of teaching and learning which was very positive. Amongst other things they commented about how well behaved and polite our pupils are, as well as expressing delight at the way they are able to talk about their learning here. They looked at reading, writing, maths and the breadth of our curriculum. We also discussed further developments for school, which were both constructive and exciting.

Sponsored Walk – Our pupils all got around the course without incident, and in fact, our Reception Class wanted to go around again! Please see: <https://twitter.com/PrimaryLeigh> or <https://www.leighbransford.worcs.sch.uk/> for some photographs.

Year 5 Chase Athletics Day - Please remember to drop your child @ The Chase just after 9am to avoid traffic congestion. The Athletics day starts @ 9.15 and finishes @ 3.15pm, again please do not arrive to collect until 3.10pm

Monday 11th July - Leigh & Bransford Wellbeing Day

On Monday 11th July, we will be having a wellbeing day. This is a very special day for our school community whereby the children will be participating in 7 different and exciting workshops aimed at improving their mental and physical wellbeing. It will also provide them with ideas and strategies that they can use themselves to help them in the future when they need a boost. The workshops include: art, outdoor learning, problem solving & team building, mindfulness meditation, exercise (including dance) and forest school.

We will also all have a shared packed lunch together on this day outside and please note there will only be a packed lunch option provided by Black Pepper on this day.

Children will need to come to school wearing outdoor PE kit on this day. They will also need sunscreen and a hat (as we will be outdoors for several times in the day).

Year 6 Leavers Performance – Dress rehearsal 6th July, evening performance 7th July (6pm start), 8th July afternoon performance, starting at 2pm.

Leavers Assembly – This will be on the 15th July 2022, start time 9.15am.

Redridge (18th – 20th July) – Payment 4 Schools is up and running, any instalments or full amounts are welcome. There will be a meeting to share visit information on 28th June, straight after school.

Sun cream and sun hats – The sun is starting to shine, please send your children equipped with cream and hats. Please name everything and please ensure your children have a layer of cream on them before they start school when required.

Annual Class photos – You should have received an order envelope to complete and return to school no later than 7th July, so the orders can be processed before the end of term. ***Please note that Year 5's photos will be sent out next week.***

Key found – house key on silver ring found near main car park. Please go to School Office if you have lost one!

****Friends Zone****

Sponsored Walk

The children have completed this today. Thanks to everyone who has collected sponsorship. Please could we ask for money to be brought into school by the 8th July. Many thanks

BBQ -1st July (Next Friday)

This will take place straight after school behind the school (by the outside classroom). In addition to the BBQ and refreshments, there will be an inflatable fun run, glitter tattoos, face-painting, and a disco area. There will also be a VIP area for the Year 6 leavers.

Non-Uniform Day -1st July (Next Friday)

As part of the fun for next Friday, we are asking the children to come to school in their most Summery/festival outfit, in return for £1.

*****Term Dates for your Diary*****

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

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

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

Monday 27th June 2022

*****TED Days 2022-2023*****

Monday 5th September 2022

Tuesday 3rd Jan 2023

Friday 17th March 2023

Monday 24th July 2023

Tuesday 25th July 2023

Please note that Friday 21st October 2022 has been cancelled as a TED Day, and Friday 17th March 2023 has been set instead, due to school diary commitments.

*****Bank Holidays 2022*****

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

Term dates Academic Year 2022/2023

Holiday	School closes on	School re-opens on
Autumn Term	Not Applicable	Monday 5 September 2022
Autumn mid term	Friday 21 October 2022	Monday 31 October 2022
Christmas	Friday 16 December 2022	Tuesday 3 January 2023
Spring mid-term	Friday 17 February 2023	Monday 27 February 2023
Easter	Friday 31 March 2023	Monday 17 April 2023
Summer mid-term	Friday 26 May 2023	Monday 5 June 2023
End of summer term	Tuesday 25 July 2023	Not Applicable

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Holiday	School closes on	School re-opens on
Holiday	Date	
Good Friday	Friday 7 April 2023	
Easter Monday	Monday 10 April 2023	
May Day	Monday 1 May 2023	
Whitsun Bank Holiday	Monday 29 May 2023	

Celebrating our Successes and Achievements

Beatrix Potter Writer of the Week Award **Work will be displayed in Reception if you would like to see it**

Reception – Layton M-S, amazing focus and concentration in phonics this week

Class 1- Jenson-John M, for fantastic effort with sentence writing

Class 2 - Monty H, for improving his handwriting and his persuasive letter to Mr Toad to let Peter Rabbit go!

Class 3 - Molly S, for a great character description

Class 4 – Teo S, for practising using consistent tenses

Class 6 - Sammy m, for an absolutely terrific story based on Skellig

Class 6 - Isabella S, for writing a really gripping story based on Skellig.

Alan Turing Maths Award

Reception - Noah W, brilliant explaining of how to share fairly

Class 1 - Amelia P, for excellent knowledge of numbers

Class 2— Henry V, for displaying good knowledge in our measure topic

Class 3 - Callie M, for excellent understanding of time

Class 4 - Jude T-R, for persevering with telling the time

Class 5 - Lizzie E, excellent focus on maths when learning about decimals and percentages

Class 6 - Erin M, for a good understanding of how to calculate the mean average

Rosa Parks History Award

Class 3 - Isabella G and Robin T, for excellent work on Ancient Egyptians

Dr Seuss Reading Award

Class 1 - Isla H-S, for excellent progress in segmenting and blending her words

Class 4 - Joshua M, for regular reading at home

Thoughtful Theodore

Class5 - Daisy T, for being helpful and caring at all times

Determined Dotty

Reception - All the class for completing the sponsored walk so well!

Class 4 - All the class, for great attitude towards doing the Multiplication Tables check

Class 5 - George S, for showing maturity and diligence in his learning in all subjects

Class 6 - Jayden H, for showing a really positive attitude to learning and not giving up when things get hard

Expressive Elliot

Class 1- Finley C, for his fantastic contributions to whole class discussions

Class 2 - Robyn H, for excellent singing and becoming more confident in whole class discussions

William Morris Art Award

Class 2 - Isla P, for excellent drawing and shading skills