LEOMINSTER PRIMARY SCHOOL

YEAR 5 NEWSLETTER

Highlights from last term









The children had a great time making their pots with Mike the Potter from Much Wenlock potteries.

This term's news:

The children have returned focused and eager to learn and are working hard during lessons. As ever, we would ask you to continue supporting your child at home. Areas for particular focus are regular (preferably daily) reading – ensuring that the children are able to provide a summary of what they have read, learning times tables facts (your child will know which tables they are learning) and spelling 'Year 5 words' – these are the words listed in the middle of your child's reading record book and regular homework given by their spelling teacher.

Curriculum and topic this term:

Our topic this term is '**Romans'** As part of our topic, we will be learning about Julius Caesar, the rise of the Roman Empire and their invasion of Britain. We will also be learning about European countries and their capital cities as well as trying to appreciate the importance of landscape features (mountains, rivers, seas) and how they have influenced trade links.

In science we will be learning about animals including humans focusing on life cycles and flowering plants. In maths, we are continuing to teach the children following the revised national curriculum which focuses on fluency and mastery within a variety of mathematical areas. At times this is quite challenging, however the children are eager and working hard to develop their expertise. Our work in English this term focuses on Science -fiction stories which the children are already really enjoying.

Alongside this we are continuing with French, RE, PE and PHSE on a weekly basis.

Events for parent	Reminders
We would like to invite you to: 'Rounders'	Please ensure that your child has PE kit in school and that this is clearly labelled with their name and class. As the weather improves we will endeavour to get outside when we can, so please ensure your child has kit in school.
Against or in the same team as your child depending on how competitive you are feeling	Please ensure that school lunch orders are sent to the office by 9:00 am on a Tuesday. Please encourage your child to read every evening Monday to Thursday so they can work towards their reward book when
Wednesday 12 th June – 2pm	they complete their reading card. Spelling and tables homework is also given and although not compulsory, it is designed to support your child's learning.

This term the children have been taking part in training for the '**Heart Start**' programme. This will continue in year 6. To ensure the children feel confident to deal with an emergency and have basic skills and knowledge.

So far, they have learnt the recovery position and I am sure they would love to practise on you at home.

Dates for your diary...

Greek Gallery - parents please come and see what the children have been doing/ making during their topic on the Greeks.	Friday 3 rd May 2:30pm
EMC Experience day	Tuesday 7 th May
Bikeability (final group)	Wednesday 8 th May
Half Term	w/b Monday 27 th May
French Day	Tuesday 25 th June
Rounders (parents invited)	Wednesday 12 th June – 2pm
Class moving day	Thursday 27 th June
(meet new teachers)	
Summer Games (not all children involved)	Wednesday 3rd July
Sports Day	Thursday 4 th July
School fete	Saturday 12 th July
Last day of school	Thursday 18 th July

I am also in the process of booking a visit to a Roman fortress and baths and one other event for the summer term. Dates and arrangements follow shortly.

As ever, please feel free to come and see us if you have any questions or queries – we will be more than happy to help. We are looking forward to another busy term!

Thank you for your continued support.

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