



# NEWSLETTER



## LEA C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



Our value for this half term is  
**'Trust & Mutual Respect'**



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### Science Festival

Lea Science Week was a great success!

Each class carried out investigations from finding the contents of a non-labelled tin, to working out the nutritional benefits of ready meals against freshly cooked meals. As a school the children moved through 4 activities while in colour teams. The children made huge bubbles, found out how to make plastic out of milk and vinegar, and even swam through the zones of the ocean, creating their own sea creature from the trench zone.

"It was great because there were so many different activities!"  
said Imogen from Oak class.

### DIARY DATES

**30<sup>th</sup> March – 13<sup>th</sup> April**  
**EASTER HOLIDAYS**

#### APRIL

- 16<sup>th</sup> Summer Term starts
- 16<sup>th</sup> After School Tennis
- 17<sup>th</sup> Swimming Gala
- 19<sup>th</sup> Whole School & Year 6 Photographs
- 25<sup>th</sup> Air Ambulance Visit & Safety Day in school (details to follow)
- 27<sup>th</sup> Rowan Class to visit Hereford (TBC)

#### MAY

- 14<sup>th</sup> **KS2 SATS**

Mrs King came to school to make Palm Crosses with the children, ready for our Easter Service



### Easter Monday Walk

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March meet at the Village Hall at 10.30am (4 - 6 miles approx) All welcome, children and pets too!



**AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**  
**WILL START WEEK BEGINNING 23<sup>rd</sup> APRIL**  
**(DETAILS TO FOLLOW)**

### Diary Date Change

The annual Stakeholders meeting, for all Staff, Governors, Parents & Friends was due to be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May.

It will now be held on  
**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May** at 4pm.  
All are welcome to attend.

### Y2 Multi Skills

Last week we took our Year 1 children to John Kyrle High School to join in with many other schools in their Multi Skills Challenge.

The children joined in with 7 different activities, ranging from football skills to a team building activity. All the children participated really well and although some were a little nervous to start with, by the end of each activity they were really getting stuck in.

It was a lovely afternoon if a little chilly, and once again the children were a real credit to the school.

Thank you to those parents/carers who helped with transport.

### Residential Trips Reminders

We are getting very excited! Medical Forms and Emergency Contact forms will be coming out straight after Easter for the 3 upcoming residentials (Y3 & 4 to the Wilderness Centre, Yr 5 to Whitemoor Lakes & Yr 6 to Liverpool.) Final payments will be due shortly too. Thank you to those who have paid in full already.



### **Katie Allen** **Vice Chair of Governors Personal Profile**

My name is Katie Allen and my three daughters currently attend Lea School in Reception, Year 4 and Year 6. I believe they have been given an excellent foundation both as individuals and academically at Lea School and my eldest daughter will be very sad to leave at the end of this year.

I have enjoyed being a member of the governing body for 6 years in varied roles, I am currently Vice Chair of Governors, Chair of the Curriculum Committee and have Governor responsibility for maths. Lea School is blessed to have such dedicated and passionate teachers and staff and coupled with excellent leadership is going from strength to strength.

I also work at St Peters Catholic High School and Sixth Form Centre in Gloucester as Head of the Art department and when I'm not at work find peace and relaxation in many craft activities, gardening and exploring the beautiful Forest of Dean.

### **Digital Readers**

On Tuesday this week we (Molly, Rowan, Charlie and George) visited Ashfield Park Primary School to learn about being a digital ambassador. We learned about different ways of coding, a variety of new apps which could be used in school, like 'SeeSaw' which is a secure way of sharing information between schools and also 'Google Expeditions', which can give a virtual reality effect. We also discussed using the internet safely and were reminded about not sharing personal information, embarrassing photos and connecting with people you don't know.

We really enjoyed our time and are looking forward to sharing some of our new knowledge with the classes after Easter.

**Lea Residents Association  
invite you to**

**CASH PRIZE BINGO  
£100 Jackpot**

**Lea Village Hall  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April  
Doors open 7pm  
Eyes down 7.30pm**

### **Whole School & Year 6 Photographs Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April**

#### **Herefordshire Spring Sing**

Yesterday morning, Oak Class and the School Choir visited the Larruperz centre in Ross-on-Wye to perform in the KS2 Spring Sing Celebration. During the afternoon it was the turn of Chestnut Class for the KS1 event, again at the Larruperz. Both groups had the most amazing time and were a real credit to the school.



KS2 participated in 4 group songs together with over 180 children and then sang their own song too, which they performed with great emotion - WELL DONE! Chestnut Class participated in 4 group songs with over 240 children and also sang their own song too. They were just amazing and we were so very proud of all the children. All of the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were a pleasure to take out of school. Thank you to those parents/carers/family members who came along and supported our performance.

