



# NEWSLETTER



## LEA C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



Our value for this month is  
**'Thoughtfulness'**



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We welcome Annabel into Year 3 (Rowan Class).  
It is lovely to see how well she has adapted to life at Lea School  
and is already starting to make new friends.

### DIARY DATES

#### December

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> End of Term  
(Early Finish - 2pm)  
**NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**

#### January

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Spring Term starts  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Oak & Rowan Trip to  
RAF Cosford  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Willow Class Swimming  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Chestnut Cake Sale  
Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> Willow Class Swimming

### Whole School Pantomime Visit



On 7<sup>th</sup> December, together with Gorsley Goffs School, we all  
went to the pantomime in Hereford.



*Oh no we didn't... Oh yes we did!*

We had a great time and the  
children were all so well  
behaved.

It was a wonderful  
opportunity to see live  
theatre and this year was  
such an excellent  
performance telling the tale  
of Peter Pan, which included  
Peter Pan, Wendy and  
Tinkerbell flying across the  
stage.



Thank you to the PTFA for very kindly subsidising this trip by  
paying for the tickets, the children really enjoyed it.

### Miss Brett and Mrs Coley

Last week we said goodbye to Miss Brett,  
who has started her maternity leave. Her  
baby is due at the end of December and we  
wish her well.

Mrs Coley has stepped into her shoes for  
the time being and is supporting children in  
Pre School, Chestnut class and also  
supervising the children at lunch time.  
She has settled well into life at Lea School  
and Pre-School.

### The Midwife Crisis

Last week the children in Chestnut and Willow Class performed  
their Christmas productions to two packed audiences.  
The children all did really well, especially as they had only been  
practising for a couple of weeks. It was lovely to see how well  
the older children projected their voices and already becoming  
budding actors and actresses.

Thank you to parents/carers for being such a great audience and  
for supply items for costumes.

Well done to everyone involved you were amazing.



### Carols and Christmas Cheer

Year 1, 2, some Year 3's and Year 5  
children went down to the Village Hall a  
couple of weeks ago to sing carols to the  
coffee morning group which is held on the  
first Wednesday of every month. The  
children had a lovely time, with the adults  
joining in some of the more well-known  
carols too. Thank you to the coffee club  
for the refreshments too. We hope to visit  
again in the spring term.





## Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone who helped out and made the Christmas Fayre so wonderful, especially for the children. With your help we raised over £700 which was amazing. The crafts the children made to sell were fantastic. Well done children and thank you to the PTFA for organising.



## Verrucas



We have a number of children in school with verrucas on their feet. In order to prevent these from spreading to other children, they should be kept covered at all times. Children who have a verruca should wear plimsolls during indoor PE, however, when taking part in gym children need to be barefoot for safety reasons and any verruca should be covered with a plaster which has been applied at home. Please inform your child's class teacher if your child has a verruca and she will be able to advise when PE lessons include gym to enable you to ensure that verrucas are covered. If your child has a cut or other lesion on the base of their foot it is advisable to cover this too as this is how verrucas are caught.

Thank you for your continued support on this matter.

## Fond Farewell

This term we say farewell to one of our very supportive, long standing governors.

Mr Grail has supported the school as a parent and Governor. He has been instrumental in the success of the Pre-School and has led various projects for the school with great success.

During his time as governor he was the Chair of the Full Governing Body for a few years.

Although Mr Grail has decided to step down from the governing body, we are very grateful for his contribution to Lea School as a parent and governor; he will be missed. Thank you Julian.



## Visitors to School

In the past few weeks we have had a number of visitors into school who have all been so complementary about the children, their work ethic and behaviour.

Mr Ballinger, one of our Governors, came in and did a learning walk with Mrs Vines and discussed current drives in school. Members of the Lea Village Hall coffee group came in and watched Year 1 and 2's Play and said how wonderful it was to see the children perform and how it took them back to when they were at school. Members of the local community came together in the school hall on the Monday before the Christmas Fayre, for an evening of festive cheer, mulled wine and wreath making. Surplus wreaths were sold at the School Christmas Fayre.

Thank you for visiting our school and for your kind comments.

## Christmas Eve at Lea Church 4pm

An informal, family friendly and relaxed service of the Christmas Story. Everyone is welcome.



## Sporting Fixtures



Unfortunately the Y3/4 Football and Netball tournaments were cancelled recently, the football is rearranged for May, but the netball was on a day which clashed with our Christmas celebrations. We did however host friendly netball matches with Gorsley Goffs, at Lea, with four teams playing 4 short matches before the light stopped play.

It was lovely for the children to get together and we finished with refreshments in the hall. We will try to do this again in the spring term.

## PACES Holiday Event at Gorsley Goffs

Monday 7th January 2019

<https://paces.co.uk/event/gorsley-multi-skills-holiday-activities/>



**We wish you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year  
and look forward to seeing you all back on  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2019.**