# LEOMINSTER PRIMARY SCHOOL

# YEAR 4 SUMMER NEWSLETTER

# Highlights from last term ...









Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed their Egyptian themed day!

## **Curriculum and topic this term:**

**English:** This term the children will be exploring the features of **non-chronological reports** and will write a non-chronological report on everything they have learnt about the Egyptians. They will also be exploring a range of **persuasive leaflets**, including any places children have experienced or would like to experience. At the end of this genre, the children will create their own leaflet on Red Ridge. The children will also write **poems** (Cinquain/haiku poems) based on their experience at Red Ridge.

**Maths:** In mathematics this term we will be focusing on decimals, measurement – money, time, statistics and properties of shape.

Science: Our science topics for this term are 'Sound' and 'Electricity'.

**DT:** Our DT project this term will link with our science topic, 'Electricity'. The children will be designing, making and evaluating their very own **torches.** 

**PSHE:** In PSHE this term we will be discussing Global Goals for sustainable development; exploring the different types of inequality and the impact these have on wider society and economy; water pollution and the right to have access to clean water.

R.E: Our R.E questions for the summer term are: 'Why are festivals important to religious communities? and 'Why do some people think that life is like a journey and what significant experiences mark this?'.

**French:** The children will have 30 minutes of French each week and will cover a range of topics.

**Computing:** For the summer term the children will continue to do some coding work. They will also learn how to use **Photo Story** in order to create a story of their time at Red Ridge.

# RED RIDGE OUTDOOK CENTRE

#### **Special Events**

#### Red Ridge

In the week beginning **Monday 4**th **June**, Year 4 pupils are off on their residential to Red Ridge. The children will partake in a range of adventurous activities including: rock climbing, outdoor caving, artificial caving, archery, tackling an 8 metre high climbing frame and orienteering. The experience will enable the children to build their confidence, boost their self-esteem and most of all have fun with their friends.

## **Electricity Science Workshops**

On **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May**, we have Simon Rhodes coming into to school to carry out some science work with the Year 4 pupils. Formerly Head of Physics at Hereford Cathedral School, Simon has taken advantage of the support of The Ogden Trust to divert his energies into providing outreach and training for the many rural primary schools in Herefordshire. The workshops will be based around our topic 'Electricity' and all activities will be handson and guaranteed to engage and excite the children!



#### Sports Day

It's that time of year again when the sun is shining (hopefully) and the children take part in a selection of sporting events. Sports Day for years 3 and 4 will take place on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July @ 9.30am** and we'd love for you to come and join in with the fun!



#### Reminders

Please help us to keep your children fit and healthy by ensuring that they have the proper games and PE kit – year 4 have PE/games on a **Thursday** afternoon. Children being excused from physical education for a medical reason should bring a note.



If your child is **asthmatic** please could you ensure that they have an inhaler, labelled with their name, in school <u>at all times!</u> It is also important that school have a copy of their care plan too – thank you for your co-operation.

As many of you already know, we are a healthy eating school and we would like to remind you that children should only bring in fruit to eat at break times. It is also very important children have a water bottle in school – we strongly encourage children to drink plenty of water throughout the day. Water helps keep them hydrated but also improves their levels of concentration and learning.





#### **Parental Engagement**

## **Orienteering**

Year 4 pupils would like to invite parents, family and friends into school on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July** @ 2pm for an orienteering afternoon.

## **Homework**



Please encourage your children to read as much as possible at home, recording reading comments in their reading journals regularly. Children should read their banded books Monday to Thursday then they can read a book of their choice over the weekend. It is also vitally important that you support your children with any spellings or multiplication tables they may need to learn. Please ask your children if they have any homework and give them every encouragement to do it – we greatly value your support in this area.

## **Dates for your Diary**

Dates	Events			
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Electricity workshop with Simon Rhodes			
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Red Ridge Meeting @ 6pm			
Monday 21st May	4S Class assembly – Parents, family and friends invited @ 2.45pm.			
Half Term				
W/b 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Red Ridge Residential			
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	French Day			
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Full house Friday – non-school uniform			
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Years 3 and 4 Sports Day			
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Parental Engagement – Orienteering. Parents, family and friends invited @ 2pm.			

Yours sincerely

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