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Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year!

As we start 2022, I wanted to update you with some key school improvement initiatives that are taking place this half term.

Oracy

Oracy is one of our key drivers at Leopold Primary and we have joined with Voice 21 to launching oracy project across the School which will develop literate, articulate pupils and improve standards in writing, reading, speaking and listening. It is an excellent project and we are very excited to start using it.

SG Sports

Due to the sudden and unexpected departure of one of our PE teachers, we have moved to SG sports to cover our PPA time and deliver a high-quality sports provision to children. They started this week and so far, have been very successful.

They are also offering after-school clubs in multi-sports and football. Please sign up via <https://www.leopoldprimary.co.uk/sgsports> if that is something your children are interested in joining.

Sport and Health Academy

In order to increase pupil's physical activity and stay healthy, we have introduced lunchtime sports clubs. These clubs use structured learning games and activities during the school day.

Reading

Reading is a priority at Leopold and all children read every day in school and hopefully every day at home with you. Reading records are completed daily to track progress in reading. This half term we are introducing reading across the curriculum in every subject, where all children read information books on the topic they are learning in the afternoon. This teaches children that they can read to gain knowledge as well as for pleasure. I'm delighted to let you know that our year two phonics screening results were 88%. This is the highest level the school has achieved in over five years. A huge thank you and congratulations to all the teachers who worked hard to make this possible. A massive well done to the children too.

Personal development

In order to encourage the broader development of pupils, we are introducing Beavers and Cubs after-schools clubs from February. This is very exciting and will give children of all ages the opportunity to engage in outside learning, team building and earn badges along the way. Look out for a letter with important further information in due course. Please sign up if your child will enjoy this.

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FGM

FGM is a key danger at Leopold Primary School. As a result, all teachers have been trained. This half term, parents are invited to attend online workshops every Friday, by John Lyon Foundation regarding projects that will help protect everybody from FGM.

Please attend the workshops as they are helpful to everybody and will give you a clear idea of what your children will be learning in school.

I hope you will agree that Leopold is a very exciting place to be. There is lots happening to improve the school and enhance the quality of education for young people receive. Thank you so much for your support.

Please make sure you read the up-to-date risk assessment following latest Covid numbers. Sadly, we are still unable to have parents on site because of the high numbers of Covid cases in the local community. We will let you know when that changes. As you know SLT are on the gate every morning and every afternoon, so please don't hesitate to approach them should you have any questions or need help in anyway.

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