

Long Whatton C of E Primary School



Newsletter 11.11.2024

Live, Learn, Grow and Be Thankful

I hope you all had a lovely half term and managed to take some time to rest and recuperate with your families and are ready for the upcoming Christmas festivities.

As you're aware we welcomed OFSTED into our school last week. We are pleased with the outcome and the report will hopefully be released to us all in the next few weeks. Thank you for the overwhelmingly positive responses on our parent questionnaire. It was a joy to hear from the inspectors how much you value our school. Your children were amazing as always and couldn't wait to show the inspectors everything they have learnt and enjoy about Long Whatton.

There are plenty of things happening over this half term on the run up to Christmas so please pop some of the following dates in your diary.

- 11.11.24 - Switch Off Fortnight
- 12.11.24- Anti bullying - Odd Socks Day
- 12.11.24 - Wellbeing Presentation for parents (2-3pm)
- 15.11.24- Children in Need
- 22.11.24 - Bag2School Collection
- 26.11.24 - Squirrels - Christmas Journey
- 27.11.24 -2.30pm Art and History Exhibition, parents please come and see the work the children have produced
- 02.12.24 - Whole school Pantomime visit
- 06.12.24 - PTA School Disco (6.00pm-7.30pm)
- 3rd-6th Dec 24 - Bikeability - Owls
- 09.12.24 - Creswell Crags Trip - Robins
- 10.12.24 - Nativity - morning and evening performances
- 11.12.24 - Nasal Flu vaccinations (whole school)
- 12.12.24 - Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
- 12.12.24 - Carols by Candlelight (6.00pm at the church)
- 13.12.24 - PTA Christmas Gift Sale
- 18.12.24 - Christmas Party - Robins and Owls
- 19.12.24 - Christmas Party - Hedgehogs and Squirrels
- 20.12.24 - Break up for Christmas
- 06.01.25 - School re-opens

HONOURS ASSEMBLY

- 22.11.24 - Reading Buddies: 2.30pm - 2.45pm
Honours Assembly: 2.45pm - 3.10pm
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On Friday the 15th November we will be supporting Children in need. The children are very welcome to wear yellow or something spotty on the day for a £1.00 donation. The donation will be added to your School Money account and will be removed on Monday 18th November if you choose not to donate to the cause.



On Tuesday we will be taking part in Odd Socks Day to mark Anti Bullying week. This years theme is 'Choose Respect'. The theme will be based upon empowering our children to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes.



Thank you for supporting our School Council and the Poppy appeal by purchasing your poppies.

Our children will be marking their respect for our service people lost at war on Monday the 11th November at 11.00am. They will be laying the class wreaths on the village war memorial.



A huge thank you for supporting us in ensuring the children are wearing our school uniform.



Please join us for our Art Exhibition and History Museum on the 27.11.24 at 2.30pm



Spectacular Sport



Well done to all the children who took part in the Beskilled Dodgeball competition at St Botolphs. They showed great teamwork. The Year 5's enjoyed their Sports conference and the children who took part in the X-Country at Charnwood College did an amazing job.



Geography Fieldwork Day



The Owls have been busy being creative in art and design and design and technology. They have been exploring sketching skills, painting their Shang artefacts and experimenting with pneumatics.



Forest School Fun



The children from the Squirrels, Owls and Robins had great fun on their Forest School days. They did fire lighting, den building, forest craft, forest exploration and much more.



Rapid Relief

A huge thank you to the Rapid Relief Team for donating Family Food Boxes and Breakfast bars to our children.



Special visitor

The children were visited by John, a local humanist. They enjoyed learning all about his views.



Happy Harvest

The school had a lovely afternoon spent in the church celebrating harvest through song, music, dance and drama. Thank you to all the parents who came to support.



Terrific Table Tennis

Well done to our boys Table Tennis team for coming third in the Charnwood competition!



Grandparent Lunch



Thank you to all the Grandparents who came to the Grandparent Day lunch. It was a huge success and the children had a wonderful time.

Village walk-around

The Hedgehog class enjoyed their village walk earlier this month. They spotted lots of interesting things and asked lots of questions.



LONG WHATTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Top of the Rocks

2ND HIGHEST SCORING SCHOOL

during the Beskilled Battles competition

ON YOUR MARKS...

27.09.2024 - 11.10.2024



Top of the Rocks

The children did a fantastic job with the Beskilled TTRockstars competition. It was a close battle and in the end we came second out of the 7 schools.



We are really looking forward to the Autumn term ahead. Best wishes, Mrs Gray and The Long Whatton Team.