

Long Whatton C of E Primary School

Newsletter 02.10.2024

Live, Learn, Grow and Be Thankful



We have had a great start to this academic year. I can't believe we are nearly at half term! The children have been so busy taking part in their learning but also out and about on visits.

Thank you for your feedback on when the best time is for you to pop into school to find out more about your children's learning. The general consensus from the results of the survey is that Monday's at around 5.00pm would work best for the majority of you. In the second half of the autumn term we will endeavour to put on these workshops on this date and time. We are hoping that this will enable you all to come along to the sessions.

Parents Evenings are approaching fast. Please ensure you sign up so that we can let you know how your child is getting on and how you can support us to help your child at home.



- 03.10.24 - School Census Day Lunch
- 07.10.24 - Grandparents Day Lunch
- 11.10.24 - Harvest Festival (2.30pm - All Saints Church)
- 11.10.24 - PTA School Disco (6.00pm -7.30pm)
- 14th & 15th Oct 24 - Parents Evenings - (3.30pm-6.00pm)
- 18.10.24 - Break up for half term
- 31.10.24- Individual/Sibling School photographs
- 01.11.24 - School Open Day (1-4pm)
- 11.11.24 - Remembrance Day Lunch
- 12th - 15th Nov - Anti-Bullying Week
- 15.11.24 - Children In Need
- 22.11.24 - PTA Bag2School
- 02.12.24 - Whole school Pantomime visit
- 3rd-6th Dec 24 - Bikeability - Owls
- 06.12.24 - PTA School Disco (6.00pm-7.30pm)
- 09.12.24 - Creswell Craggs Trip - Robins
- 10.12.24 - Nativity - morning and evening performances
- 11.12.24 - Nasal Flu vaccinations (whole school)
- 12.12.24 - Carols by Candlelight (6.00pm at the church)
- 12.12.24 - Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
- 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

HONOURS ASSEMBLY

- 08.11.24 - Reading Buddies: 2.30pm - 2.45pm
Honours Assembly: 2.45pm - 3.10pm
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- 13.12.24 - Reading Buddies: 2.30pm - 2.45pm
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Our Harvest Festival is fast approaching and we are really looking forward to greeting you all on 11.10.24 at 2.30pm at All Saints church.

We will be taking food donations on the day for the Foodbank in Shepshed. Please can you send in any donations with your child on the morning of 11.10.24.

BRING YOUR BIKE



We would like our track to be used more and encourage our children to bring their bikes to school. From Monday 7th October would like to invite the children to bring in their bike from home to use on the track at break times and lunch times if they would like to. We can't have everyone on there all at once so we have given a day to each class to bring them in. Please see the allocated days below.

Mondays - Hedgehogs Tuesdays - Squirrels Wednesdays - Robins Thursdays - Owls



GrandParent's Day Lunch

We are really looking forward to meeting lots of grandparents for lunch on Monday 7th October. Please make sure everyone arrives promptly at 12noon and also bring a favourite book to read with their grand child/ren.

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OPEN AFTERNOON

Friday 1st November 1-4pm

All existing and potential parents, carers and children are invited for hot chocolate in the forest school.

Pupil Leadership

The children have already stepped up to their new roles in their active groups within the school. Here is just a short summary of some of the work the children have been focusing on so far!



Our School Councillors had a visit from our local MP Amanda Hack to find out more about her role and democracy.



Our Global Neighbours group have been thinking about refugees.

The children are currently making a favourite room in their home so that we can compare our lives and comforts to those of refugees.



Our Leading Lights have been working very hard preparing for our Harvest Festival. They have planned their own part of the service which they are looking forward to sharing with you at the service very soon.



Our Eco Group have been working with Net Zero using thermo camera's to see where the school building is losing the most amount of heat.



Class Charities

During the inset day each class had a think about a charity that they would like to support over this academic year. The classes chose:

Hedgehogs: Singing Cafe

Squirrels: Bees

Robins: RSPB

Owls: New Life Children's Centre in Gambia.

The children were lucky to have a visit from Mrs Norris who shared her experience of volunteering for the charity. She is going back to Gambia soon and the children wanted to know what they could do to help. They have written some letters to me to request ways of raising money.



Innovative Illustrations

The children took part in an Illustrator Workshop day. They got their creative juices flowing and thoroughly enjoyed their experience with illustrator Jade Lawley. Thank you Jade for visiting our school!



Thank you to PCSO Nicky and PCSO Pat for visiting the Hedgehog Class. The Hedgehogs loved meeting them and learning about how they support our local community.



Fantastic Football

12 children from the Owls Class took part in our local Charnwood sports partnership football tournament. They played 9 matches and got through to the semi-finals where they came third. Well done team.



Full of Faith

The Robins went on a visit to Diseworth Village Hall to learn about lots of different Faiths. They had a fantastic morning, dressing up, exploring special religious objects and discussing what they had learnt.



Childhood Memories

The Squirrels visited Sudbury Hall earlier this month to learn about toys from the past. It was a great day where they learnt lots of facts and explored the museum of childhood.

Dramatic Dynasties

The Owls enjoyed an exciting morning learning about the Shang Dynasty through drama. One Day Creative held a fantastic workshop and the children learnt a lot.



Thank you for your support. Best wishes, Mrs Gray and The Long Whatton Team.