

17th October 2014

Issue 7

newsletter



Longford
C of E Primary School

Welcome to an extended edition of the newsletter!

FOLS had their first meeting last Friday and have lots of wonderful events planned for the near future. All the details are included – make a note in your diary!

The Harvest Festival Service was well attended on Tuesday. Thank you to everyone for their food contributions and walking to the church with us. The Trussell Trust were really pleased with your donations. Thank you to Nicolette Beardsmore for taking them to the trust for us.

We received some brilliant news this week about one of our Year 6 pupils, Adam. He has passed the entrance exams and hopes to attend Bishop Wordsworth's School in September. Well done Adam, we're all very proud of you!!

Finally, we had our first Children's School Council Meeting today. The children have some great ideas for improving the school. Watch this space!

Finally... GREAT ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK EVERYBODY!!! Well done!

Best wishes,
Naomi Shrimpton

headteacher's Award

Connor Burns
excellent role models

Summer	Tula
Leon	Ethan
Toni-Marie	Tao

We have enjoyed afternoon tea together today!

Sally (Olly's mum, Y2) is running a half marathon to raise funds for outdoor play equipment for the children.

The marathon is on 19th October 2014. Please speak to Sally or Nic Ford if you would like to sponsor her.

Diary Dates

3rd November

TD Day - School closed to the children.

6th November

3:30pm – 6:30pm

Parent Consultations

16th December @ 2:15 pm

Kestrels & Magpies Christmas performance

19th December

Kingfisher's Christmas service – details to follow.

Half Term

23rd October – 3rd November

Reminder: We finish for half term on Wednesday 22nd October at 3:15pm.

The children return to school on Tuesday 4th November at 8:45am.

Friends of Longford

Annual General Meeting

Friday 14th November

After the Celebration Assembly in the school hall

If you wish to stand for one of the 4 committee positions either send in a letter with your nomination and 2 people to second you or come along to the meeting. Positions available: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. See below descriptions:

Chair Role

Leads the meetings and sets the agenda. Plans events and is always thinking about the next events.

Vice Chair Role

Leads the meetings when the Chair is unavailable. Helps plan events.

Secretary Role

Takes the minutes at the meetings and writes them up. Helps to plan events.

Treasurer Role

Responsible for the collection of all monies and is in control of the budget and book keeping.

As we are a small committee, everyone helps out and has a say about what we do. FOLS meet a couple of times a term, but this can be more if we are planning an event.

We really need and appreciate your support - thank you.

Nic Ford (Chair)

Sport at Longford Primary School

After half term the PPA cover for the teachers will be provided by a sports coach. This will be every Wednesday. The focus for next half term will be gymnastics, using our fab new equipment. Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school.

Our coach will also be running an **after school club from 3:20 - 4:20pm on Wednesdays**. The first session will start on **Wednesday 12th November** and this term's focus will be ball skills and games. The cost will be £3 per session. We need at least 10 children to be able to run the club. Unfortunately, there will also be a limit of 20 places.

Please fill out the slip below if you would like your child to attend and return it to school office with payment by Wednesday 5th November 2014. First come, first served basis only.



After School Sports Club

I confirm that I have responsibility for..... Class.....

He/she is in good health and I consider him/her capable of taking part in the after school club.

In the event of illness/accident I consent to any necessary medical treatment, which may include the use of anaesthetics. YES / NO	Contact name / Phone number
	Current medical treatment if applicable

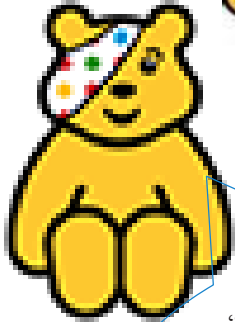
Signed..... Parent/Guardian Date.....



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"It's our chance to shine, to step up, to do whatever we can to help change the lives of disadvantaged children and young people across the UK."

Come to school dressed as a **SUPERHERO** on **Friday 14th November**
 Donate £2 or whatever you can!



Hot lunches

Rose our lovely cook will be running a new menu after half term.

(Your child should have brought it home with this newsletter!)

Please talk to your child and make your selection for the first 3 weeks. This will give them the opportunity to try everything once. We'll be asking for menu choices for the second part of next term towards the end of November. **Rose will be providing 'tasters' of the new menu from 3:30pm on Thursday 6th November as part of Parents' Consultations.**

Parent Consultations

We will be having our first parent consultation evening on **Thursday 6th November 2014** from **3:30 – 6:30pm**. We will be offering appointments to parents/guardians on a first come, first served basis for each class. This is a great opportunity to find out how your child has settled into school this term and the progress they are making. You will also be able to have a look through their books at their work so far this year.

Please fill out and return the slip below indicating the times you are available to meet your child's teacher. We will then send home a specific appointment time to meet your child's teacher.



Parent Consultations 6th November 2014

I confirm that I have responsibility for..... Class.....

My preferred time for parent consultation meeting is:
 (please ✓ box)

3:30pm – 4:00pm
 4:00pm – 4:30pm
 4:30pm – 5:00pm

5:00pm – 5:30pm
 5:30pm – 6:00pm
 6:30pm – 6:30pm

I understand that I may not be offered an appointment at my preferred time.

Signed..... Parent/Guardian

Date.....

Attendance & Punctuality

Thank you to all those who get their children to school on time, everyday.

Class	Attendance	Punctuality
Kestrels	98.7%	1 Late
★ Magpies	99.2%	2 Lates
Kingfishers	97.8%	2 Lates

Our target this term is 97% attendance and no late children!

PROUD BOARD

This week we are celebrating the following children:

Star Writers

Madalynne Ford

Ellis Safe

Peter Gibson

Marvellous Mathematicians

Summer Finch

Kayla Cooper

Nathan Scott

Remarkable Readers

Libby Hemming

Ethan Hemming

Tao Tilly

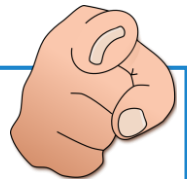
Special Mentions

Willow Tanner

Charlie Garthwaite-Maher

Adam Beardsmore

Your school needs you!



Thank you to those who have given their time this week. We are also looking for volunteers to hear children read. If you can spare an hour each week, preferably in the afternoon, then we would love to hear from you. Please speak to Mrs Smith or Mrs Shrimpton.