

Friday 16th September 2022



The Clock



From **Mrs Piper-Hadfield**

Time for the latest news:

Thank you to everyone who attended the Parent Information Evening on Thursday – it was extremely well attended, with 90% of families represented. We hope that you found it useful and are looking forward to the year ahead as much as we are! Thank you also to the FPTA for speaking about the importance of their role to school. They really do contribute significantly to the...

Time to Celebrate...



Mrs Piper's sparklers this week are:

Thorley Y2 for resilience – nominated by Commando Carl

Delilah Y4 for kindness – nominated by Jake

Lillie H Y6 for love of learning and effort – nominated by Miss Piper

Harriet Y2 for having a positive learning attitude – nominated by Mrs Bates

Nico Y1 for kindness – nominated by Mrs Bates

Herbie Y4 for respect – nominated by Mr White

Cover Photo: Say cheese!



...our resources and the amount of work they have put in over the years to support the school is incredible!

We really do appreciate their support and so please get in contact if you feel you can contribute some time, even if it just a very small amount. Your child will also really appreciate it when they're able to share sweets with their friends at a school disco!

If you have any questions after the meeting, particularly KS2 parents who left earlier on, please do contact myself or the relevant class teachers – thank you.

Ploughing Match

We are in need of some volunteers to attend the Ploughing Match with us on Wednesday 5th October. We will be leaving at 9am and returning for lunchtime. If you feel that you could join us, please contact me.



Harvest Festival

We now have a date for the Harvest Festival church service – Friday 14th October at 2.30pm. All families and members of the community are invited to attend this service. We also invite children to create harvest baskets. These can include food, toiletries and cleaning products. Any food included must be in date and unopened. I have attached a poster with examples of what you can include.

The baskets will be going to Padley Group, which provides support for people struggling with poverty and/or homelessness. For more information, please visit their website:

<https://www.padleygroup.com/>

Attendance

Please can I reiterate the importance of children maintaining a high attendance rate. Missing multiple days from school over the year has a significant impact upon children's learning. There are of course times when absence is unavoidable, but please do consider how much learning time your child is missing.

Parents whose child's attendance rate falls below 90%, will receive a letter home requesting a meeting with myself to identify how we can

support you in increasing your child's attendance percentage.

Chair of Governors

At the end of the summer term, Mrs Gwen Kelsey stepped down from her role of Chair of Governors. I thank her for all her hard work as chair over the past couple of years and know that many of the children have enjoyed working with her too, particularly the Pupil Leadership Team. Mrs Kelsey will remain a friend of the Longford, so we look forward to continuing to see her around school!

Following on from the Governing Body AGM last night, Mr Paul Leeson has now been appointed as Chair of the Governing Body. I have worked with Paul over the past year and very much look forward to continuing this, as he takes on his new role. He will be present at upcoming school events to introduce himself.

Bank Holiday

Just a reminder that as Monday is now a Bank Holiday, school will be closed to everyone. We look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday.

Next week

Monday 19 th	Tuesday 20 th	Wednesday 21 st	Thursday 22 nd	Friday 23 rd
Bank Holiday – school closed	Eco Club	Creative Games Club &	Commando Joe Club	General Club



Important dates for this term:

Tuesday 27th September – school photos (individual & whole-school)
Wednesday 5th October – whole school trip to the Ploughing Match (Church Broughton)
Thursday 6th October – response morning
Wednesday 12th October – Longford Little Ones, 1.15-3pm
Friday 14th October – Harvest Festival church service, 2.30pm
Tuesday 18th October – Owls' Trip to Bletchley Park
Monday 24th – Friday 28th October – half term
Tuesday 8th November – response morning
Wednesday 16th November – Longford Little Ones, 1.15-3pm
Wednesday 7th December – response morning
Tuesday 13th December – whole-school theatre trip
Thursday 15th December – Christmas plays, Wyaston

