

Friday 23rd September 2022



The Clock



From **Mrs Piper-Hadfield**

Time for the latest news:

The Woodpeckers had a particularly exciting day yesterday, when they arrived into their classroom to see a live volcanic eruption taking place! This was for their Geography day, which started off their learning on natural disasters. Any guesses as to what their next topic will be? They will be starting it next week, a little early, as there is so much to learn about!

Time to Celebrate...



Mrs Piper's sparklers this week are:

Viktorija YR for cheerfulness – nominated by Mrs Bates

Alfie & Georgia Y3 for resilience and confidence – nominated by Miss Townsend

George C Y5 for enthusiasm and engagement – nominated by Mrs Whitney

Lottie Y6 for kindness and empathy – nominated by Mrs Piper

Cover Photo: The Woodpeckers and their new teacher – Mr Magma!



School Photos

A reminder that next Tuesday is school photo day. These will be individual photos, as well as any sibling photos. We have also requested a whole school one. Please ensure that full uniform is worn – including jumper or cardigan.

Fitness Day

Next Wednesday (28th), we will be celebrating Fitness Day.

As PE lead, Mrs Clarke has planned a very exciting day of events.

Primary Stars will be delivering two sessions to each class throughout the day, introducing the children to some sports they may not have taken part in before. In the morning, they will be playing golf and taking part in some athletic events. In the afternoon, they will then be turning their hand to Boccia & Archery.

They will also be running a Handball club at lunchtime for KS2.

It sounds like a very exciting day and an excellent way to celebrate health and fitness within school – which Mrs Clarke will also be holding an assembly on.

Please can all children come dressed in their PE kit – staff too!

School Support Leader

Mrs Chambers will unfortunately be leaving her role as School Business Manager.

We have of course enjoyed having her back as part of the Longford family and wish her all the best for the future.

This does mean we now have an open vacancy within school. This is for the role of 'School Support Lead'. It is a varied role with flexibility as to hours worked. I attach the job description; in case anyone is interested or knows of anyone who may be – please pass the message on. Applications are via the Derbyshire County Council website but please do contact me if you have any questions.

There is also the role of cleaner still available within school.

Breakfast club will run as normal, with myself covering Mon-Wed and Mrs Beresford Thu-Fri, as normal.

Duck Race

Next Saturday sees the return of the infamous FPTA run duck race! This is one of their most popular events, enjoyed by both children and adults alike.

#HelloYellow

On Monday 10th October, we will be celebrating World Mental Health Day.

As we did last year, we will once again be taking part in #HelloYellow to raise funds for Young Minds

Their mission is to show young people that how they feel matters, and to create a future where all young people get the mental health support they need, when they need it, no matter what.

We hope you can join us in supporting such an important cause. We ask that the children **wear yellow** for the day and bring a donation with them into school – a minimum donation of £1 is suggested.



ParentPay

Just a reminder re providing consent and payment for the Ploughing Match trip.

Thank you.

Next week

Monday 26 th	Tuesday 27 th	Wednesday 28 th	Thursday 29 th	Friday 30 th
	School photos – individuals	Fitness Day – PE kit		
	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
Monday 10th October – World Mental Health Day
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

