

Friday 17th February 2023



The Clock



*From **Mrs Piper-Hadfield***

Time for the latest news:

Well, it's been another busy half term here at Longford (how are we half-way through the school year already?!), with lots of visitors and events taking place – including sports events with both QEGS and Primary Stars. As always, we have been extremely impressed with the hard work and enthusiasm the children have put into their work and topics this half term.

Time to Celebrate...



Mrs Piper's sparklers this week are:

Oliver Y3 for kindness – nominated by Amy-Leigh

Georgia Y3 for bravery – nominated by Jemima and Delilah

Alfie Y3 for kindness – nominated by Oliver

Jemima Y4 for thoughtfulness – nominated by Miss Townsend

Herbie Y4 for helpfulness – nominated by Alexander

Isla Y5 for friendship – nominated by Florence

Emily, Lillie, Josh, Thomas and Ray Y6 for helpfulness and kindness – nominated by Mrs Shaw and Helen

Mrs Kirk for helpfulness – nominated by Mrs Piper-Hadfield

Cover Photo: Year 3 and 4 athletics event at QEGS



We have been particularly impressed with the children's writing this half term – they have been using our new 'Rainbow Grammar' strategy to build high-quality sentences.

To showcase this, we have a new writing progression display in the entrance hall if anyone would like to pop in and see what writing looks like from Reception all the way through to Year 6.



Commando Joe's

After half-term, we will be recommencing our Commando Joe sessions on a Thursday, which we are very much looking forward to. Unfortunately Commando Carl is still not well enough to return (we wish him well and hope to see him soon) so Commando Tom will be joining us. We look forward to working with him and having him as part of the Longford team!

PE days will therefore continue as they have done for the past half term, except for on the following date:

No PE Kit on Thursday 2nd March

As we will be celebrating World Book Day on the first Thursday back and the children will be dressing as their vocabulary word of choice, children do not need to come to school in their PE kits on that day. Children will need to bring kits with them however if they are in Tennis Club that evening.

We can't wait to see your outfits and Mrs Whitney has lots of exciting activities planned for the day, including the book swap to celebrate International Book Giving Day also.

Clubs

Unfortunately, Mrs Beresford is not recovered enough to return to us after half term – we're wishing her all the best. We're definitely missing her as much as she is missing all of the children!

This does however mean that Wednesday after-school club cannot run next half term. We appreciate your understanding on this and hope that we can start offering it again after the Easter break.

Thank you to Mrs Shaw for covering breakfast club Thursday-Friday this half term. Mrs Ilic has kindly offered to run it next half term, so that we can keep it running.

Severn Trent



Severn Trent visited us last Friday and ran an assembly and workshop for each class, looking at water consumption and how we can be 'hydration heroes' – in the picture above, you can see Captain Hydration offering a drink to aid dehydration after waking up!

KS2 also looked at the water cycle and how families vary in their water consumption.

After half term:

Monday 27 th	Tuesday 28 th	Wednesday 1 st	Thursday 2 nd	Friday 3 rd
Yoga Club	Dodgeball Club (Primary Stars)	Club - TBC	World Book Day & International Book Giving Day Tennis Club (Primary Stars)	Games Club





Important dates for next half term:

Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day & International Book Giving Day
Tuesday 14th March – Longford Little Ones
Thursday 16th & Friday 17th March – celebrating British Science Week
Monday 20th March – Response Marking Morning
Tuesday 28th & Wednesday 29th March – Parents’ Consultation Evenings
Thursday 30th March – Easter Service at St Chad’s
Friday 31st March – Whole-School Village Walk
Easter Holidays

