



The Clock



*From **Mrs Piper-Hadfield***

Time for the latest news:

Check out our fabulous new outdoor learning environment! We are very excited for all of the extra learning opportunities that will be available to the children now that we have our own little area. We have been planning its renovation since September, so we are so pleased to have the first stage completed. Now to decorate and move resources over!

Time to Celebrate...



Mrs Piper-Hadfield's sparklers this week are:

The teachers for planning and delivering fun lessons – nominated by Harriet, Ivy and Seren

Edward YR for effort with writing – nominated by Mrs Piper-Hadfield

Delilah Y4 for enjoyment and fun – nominated by Mrs Piper-Hadfield

Lottie Y6 & Lucy Y5 for kindness and positivity – nominated by Mrs Clarke

Lillie Y6 for resilience in Maths – nominated by Mrs Whitney

Isla Y5 & Ripley Y6 for effort with homework – nominated by Mrs Whitney

Cover Photo: Our new outdoor area!



A big thank you to all who have been involved in its development, including: The Smiths, for allowing us use of the orchard; The Players, for the fencing; Mr Bates, for construction of the area and finally, our fabulous FPTA and you as parents, for raising the funds for the two shelters.

Teamwork really has brought our vision to life!

We are now seeking to enhance the area, and in particular, source some cable reels, so if anyone has any, we would really appreciate donations.

Response Marking Morning

Our next response morning is next Wednesday, so you are all once again invited to join us between 8.50-9am. This is an opportunity to both support your child and see all of the fantastic work they have been doing this half-term.

Ofsted Report – 14/03/23

The report from our recent Ofsted inspection was shared on ParentHub earlier this week, along with a cover letter.

We are so pleased with the outcome and all that has been acknowledged and thank parents who have messaged.

This has been added to the school website and will go live on Ofsted's website (finally giving us an official rating) at the end of next week.

Mr Crawford is currently in talks about arranging some sweet treats for the children, to celebrate!

Drinks Reminder

Just a polite reminder that we ask children to just bring water in their bottles - no juice. We have also had milkshakes being brought in recently too.

Longford Little Ones

We have our final LLOs session for this academic year next Friday (5th). We are hoping to be outside in the orchard for this session, so please bring wellies and a coat.

Townsend to Bailey...

A huge congratulations to Miss Townsend, who is now Mrs Bailey after getting married over the Easter weekend!

For now, her email address remains the same (c.townsend@longford.derbyshire.sch.uk)

From The Bahamas to Longford

We were lucky enough to have a marine biologist join us all the way from The Bahamas (via Zoom!) last week. The children loved hearing from Jillian Morris and learning about all the work she does, photographing sharks for National Geographic, as well as helping to protect them.

I know the children were inspired and lots went home expressing that they wanted to be marine biologists in the future!

A big thank you to Mrs Montgomery for helping to organise the experience.

Next Week

Monday 1 st	Tuesday 2 nd	Wednesday 3 rd	Thursday 4 th	Friday 5 th
Bank Holiday – school closed		Response Marking Morning		Longford Little Ones (1.15pm-3pm)
	Cricket Club (Primary Stars)	Games Club	Athletics Club (Primary Stars)	Relaxed Club



Important dates for this term:

Monday 1st May – bank holiday
Wednesday 3rd May – Response Marking Morning
Friday 5th May – Longford Little Ones, 1.15pm-3pm
Monday 8th May – bank holiday
w/c Monday 8th May – KS2 SATs week
Tuesday 16th May – class photos
Monday 22nd May – Village walk (families invited to join us)
Half Term
Monday 5th June – inset day (school closed to pupils)
Tuesday 6th June – celebrating Pride Month
Wednesday 7th June – Reception 2023 transition morning (excluding lunch)
Friday 16th June – Response Marking Morning
Monday 19th June – Reception 2023 transition morning (including lunch)
Wednesday 21st-Friday 23rd June – Owls' residential to Mount Cook
Friday 30th June – inset day (school closed to pupils)
Wednesday 5th July – whole school transition day (including Reception 2023, all day)
Friday 7th July – Sports Day, 9.30am
Friday 14th July – World Reading Together day (family picnic at school)
Wednesday 19th July – Speech & Sparkle
Friday 21st July – Y6 leavers' service & last day of term
Summer Holidays
Monday 4th September – inset day (school closed to pupils)
Tuesday 5th September – school year begins for all pupils

