



The Clock



From Mrs Piper-Hadfield

Time for the latest news:

Before the events of today occurred...we were having a wonderful (albeit busy) Christmas week at Longford. We enjoyed watching Cinderella at the theatre on Monday and the children clearly picked up some tips as their performances on Tuesday were brilliant – pretty much every single parent, grandparent etc commented on how great they thought they were, as they were leaving.

Time to Celebrate...



**Mrs Piper-Hadfield's
sparklers this week are:**

Alice L Y1 for helpfulness –
nominated by Mrs Piper-
Hadfield

Amy-Leigh Y4 for kindness –
nominated by Mrs Bailey

Amy- Leigh Y4 for helpfulness,
responsibility and great use of
initiative! – nominated by Mrs
Piper-Hadfield

Jemima Y5 for effort and
enthusiasm – nominated by
Mrs Bailey

All of the children for their
effort and brilliant performances
in the school play – nominated
by Mrs Piper-Hadfield

**Photo: Cheeky faces and
Christmas jumpers!**



We've even heard the words, 'the best ones yet!'

It's so great to see the outcomes of all of the hard work that went into them – from both children and staff.

I must also thank parents too for the effort you put into the costumes – we are blown away annually be the time and thought that goes into them and they really are the icing on the cake for the performances.

Yesterday, we had our Longford Christmas Day, which consisted of parties, a visit from Santa, Christmas lunch and a whole school viewing of 'The Grinch' (animated version).

Reindeer Racing was planned to take place this morning but please be reassured Y6s that we will allow you to have one last round of racing before you leave us!

It is of course a shame that we couldn't run the Christingle, however it is one of those situations that you just can't anticipate and we will be on site throughout the day managing the situation.



Clubs for Spring 1

After carrying out a parent questionnaire into after-school provision, it is the case that there is little to no demand for the later 4.15-5.15 clubs at the moment.

These will not therefore run next half-term. If anyone's circumstances do change however, please get in contact as we will review the situation each half term. Thank you.

Our themed clubs will continue to run from 3.15-4.15pm as normal and are all bookable via ParentPay except for Tuesday's Primary Stars club – please book directly via them using the QR code on the attached poster.

Monday – TBC with Mrs Whitney

Tuesday – Gymnastics with Primary Stars

Wednesday – Creative with Miss Beresford

Thursday – Boccia with Primary Stars

Friday – Games with Miss Beresford

Please note however that there will be no club on **Monday 22nd January** due to staff twilight training (this will also be the case on Monday 11th March in Spring 2).

January Return

The school will reopen for the Spring term on **Monday 8th January**.

In the meantime, have a wonderfully festive break, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Thank you for all of your ongoing support.

First week back:

Monday 8 th	Tuesday 9 th	Wednesday 10 th	Thursday 11 th	Friday 12 th
(Mrs Whitney)	Gymnastics Club (Primary Stars)	Creative Club (Miss Beresford)	Bocce Club (Primary Star)	No club



Important dates for Spring Term*:

Monday 8th January - School reopens

Wednesday 31st January - Response Marking Morning

Wednesday 7th February – Celebrating Random Acts of Kindness Day

Wednesday 14th February – Longford Little Ones

HALF TERM (19th Feb – 23rd Feb)

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day & Owl's school trip (details to be sent out in the new year)

Friday 15th March – Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service delivering workshops across school

Tuesday 19th March – Parent Response Marking morning

w/c 25th March - Easter Celebrations

Friday 29th March – Good Friday (school closed)

EASTER HOLIDAYS (1st April – 12th April)

*Parent consultation evenings to be confirmed soon

