



The Clock



From **Mrs Piper-Hadfield**

Time for the latest news:

*It's been a lovely start to the new term, with so much learning taking place. It has been wonderful to see the buzz in each classroom as the children get stuck into their new topics. We have revisited our school values within Collective Worship (**Respect, Empathy, Kindness, Cooperation and Resilience**), discussing why these are important to us and sharing examples of how we have displayed them across the week.*

Time to Celebrate...



Mrs Piper-Hadfield's sparklers this week are:

Mr Blount & Mrs Davis for kindness and community spirit – nominated by Mrs Piper-Hadfield

Holly YR for effort with her learning – nominated by Mrs Whitney

Nel YR – kindness and helpfulness

Robyn Y1 for kindness – nominated by Chloe, Georgia & Sophia B

Billy Y2 for resilience and care – nominated by Mrs Whitney

Inaya Y3 for love of learning – nominated by Seren

Leyla Y3 for support – nominated by Amy-Leigh

Photo: A sprinkling of snow!



Term Dates

I have attached a copy of the term dates for 2024-25. The inset dates will be as follows:

Wednesday 4th September 2024

Monday 4th November 2024

Monday 6th January 2025

Friday June 27th (TBC – this may have to change if it falls too closely to the EMBARK inset).

EMBARK Inset: TBC (this date is a whole trust inset, set by the central team and we are waiting for confirmation of a date).

The start date for next academic year for all children is therefore **Thursday 5th September.**

Speaking of September, our next Longford Little Ones is on 14th February. The date means it will of course be Valentine's Day themed! If you know any families joining us in September, then please pass the message on.

Parent Consultations Evenings

Please note that Spring term parents' evening dates are as follows:

Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28th February (the first week back after half term).

These will run at the same times as the autumn term dates did: Robins – 3.20-5.50 (both nights) Woodpeckers and Owls – 3.25-4.50 on Tuesday and 3.20-5.50 on Wednesday

Sign-up sheets will be out in reception from pick up on Monday 29th January.

Thank you!

A huge thank you to any families who helped us during the flooding on the last day of term – there were lots of offers of help, which we really appreciate. Whether actively supporting with the clean up or lending us heaters/dehumidifiers, we were very grateful. An extra big thank you to Mr Blount and Mrs Davis for spending the morning clearing the water with their vax machines!

If you lent us a heater or dehumidifier, then please feel free to collect them at drop off or pick up next week. They are in the corridor which is accessed via the double red doors on the playground.

Interventions

I will be running Maths interventions for several children again this term. These will either be small group or 1:1 sessions and will cover target areas identified from Autumn assessments.

The children involved in these interventions are identified through pupil progress discussions with staff and are reviewed, and can change, each term based upon the progress made by children.

If your child is receiving this additional support, I will pop a message in their home learning diaries, just so you are aware.

I will also make a note after each session of topics covered so that you can also support at home, maximising their learning and progress.

Next week

Monday 22 nd	Tuesday 23 rd	Wednesday 24 th	Thursday 25 th	Friday 26 th
No Club	Gymnastics Club (Primary Stars)	Creative Club (Miss Beresford)	Bocce Club (Primary Star)	No Club



Important dates for the Spring Term:

Wednesday 31st January - Response Marking Morning

Wednesday 14th February – Longford Little Ones

TBC – Celebrating Random Acts of Kindness Day

HALF TERM (19th Feb – 23rd Feb)

Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28th February – Parent Consultation Evenings

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day & Owl's school trip

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)

