

THE CLOCK

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This Week's News from Mrs Piper-Hadfield

The Woodpeckers have had an extra fun-week, with both a trip and in-school workshop centred around their topic of 'the Windrush generation'.

We have lots of exciting whole-school events coming up, starting off with Children's Mental Health Week next week. Please see Mrs Bates' post on ParentHub asking the children to dressed as a colour on Tuesday.

After that, we have Safer Internet Day, Random Acts of Kindness Day and then after half term, World Book Day, Comic Relief and British Science Week! More details will follow about individual events in due course but there's a lot to look forward to!

Sparkler Awards:

Georgia Y1, Holly Y1 and the Y2s for kindness and love of learning - nominated by Alice

Georgia Y1 and Holly Y1 for kindness - nominated by James

Billy Y3 for resilience - nominated by Mrs Clarke

Edward F Y3 for effort outside of school - nominated by Mrs Clarke

Charlie Y6 and Christopher Y6 for effort and contribution - nominated by Mrs Piper-Hadfield

Holidays/Unauthorised Absences

Due to an increase in holiday requests/absences over the past academic year, we now need to issue fines for any holidays taken during term time or any other extended unauthorised absences.

If you have submitted a form for an upcoming holiday, then please keep an eye out for a letter which will arrive in the post (the latter being a requirement).

EMBARK Inset Day

We now have confirmation of the trust-wide inset day for this year, which will be on **Monday 23rd June 2025**

This is alongside the remaining insets on Friday 4th April and Thursday 24th July.

Social Media Checklists

Ahead of Safer Internet Week, please find a useful resource from SWGfl - Social Media Checklists for a range of social media sites, which includes handouts detailing parental controls and security settings.

<https://swgfl.org.uk/resources/checklists/>

The focus for the day this year is 'scams' and so Mrs Clarke will be delivering an assembly to the children on this.

Online Safety is a contextual safeguarding priority for us a school, due to a higher than average number of children either having access to or their own device.

Celebrating Achievements Outside of School

This week, we have Delilah in Y6 who spent last weekend performing at Derby Theatre in a dance showcase. This consisted of ballet, tap, modern, street and acro, as well as musical theatre. Such talent! When asked if she enjoyed it, Delilah said, 'yes!' with a huge smile on her face!



Self-Care & Mental Health

for Kids



UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

NEXT WEEK:

Celebrating Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday - Y5/6 Sports Hall Athletics

NEXT TERM:

Tuesday 4th February - Y5/6 Sports Hall Athletics

Wednesday 12th February - Longford Little Ones (1.15-2.45pm)

Wednesday 12th February - Safer Internet Day assembly

Friday 14th February - Celebrating Random Acts of Kindness Day, school walk + last day of term

Monday 24th February - Spring 2 term starts

Thursday 6th March - World Book Day

Wednesday 12th March - 'No Outsiders' assembly and workshops

Friday 15th March - Comic Relief (bake sale)

w/c17th March - British Science Week

Monday 17th March - Show and Share morning - 8.50-9am

Thursday 27th March - Longford Little Ones (1.15-2.45pm)

Monday 31st March - whole-school walk

Thursday 3rd April - Easter Service at St Chad's - 2.30pm + last day of term

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:

Monday - Lego (Mrs Whitney) until 4.15pm

Tuesday - Gymnastics & Parkour (Primary Stars*) until 4.30pm

Wednesday - Creative (Miss Beresford) until 4.30pm

Thursday - Archery (Primary Stars) until 4.30pm

Friday - Games (Miss Beresford) until 4.15pm

*Booked directly with Primary Stars



Reminders!

Tuesday - coloured clothes (Y5/6 to bring kits with them to change into)