

THE CLOCK

The weekly newsletter of Longford CofE Primary School

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This Week's News from Mrs Piper-Hadfield:

On the cover this week, we have Jake in Y6 who has raised an incredible £251 for the Bone Cancer Research Trust by taking part in 'Canter for a Cure'. Jake has managed to ride a distance of 123.66 km - incredible!

His fundraising has contributed to the overall total of, £116, 451.91, which will go towards life saving research, treatment and support. Great work Jake - we're very proud of you!

Sparkler Awards:

Sidney YR, Edward F Y4 and Oliver Y6? for friendship - nominated by Thorley

Everley Y1 for effort and presentation of handwriting - nominated by Mrs Whitney

Lana Y1 for love of learning and participation - nominated by Mrs Whitney

Henry Y2, Seb Y2 and Sienna Y3 for love of learning - nominated by Mrs Riley

Edward F Y4 for respect and manners - nominated by Mrs Piper-Hadfield

Jake Y6 for his fundraising efforts - nominated by Mrs Piper-Hadfield

Piano and Keyboard Lessons

Following on from last week's newsletter, a parent reached out who may be able to offer 1:1 piano or keyboard lessons in school. They are an experienced secondary music teacher and have also taught piano privately for 25 years.

If you are interested in your child starting private piano or keyboard lessons at school, please can you message me so we can gauge interest and plan next steps. Thank you.



Celebrating Achievements Outside of School

This week we have two fabulous achievements.

Edward in Y3 is very proud to have won Man of the Match at Darley Sports FC. Edward is highly committed to his football and is experiencing great success - amazing effort, Edward, well done!

We also have Jack in Y2 who is proud to have achieved his 10 metre award in swimming - well done and keep up the great work, Jack! I'm sure you'll be achieving the next award very soon.



Apps - Age Restrictions

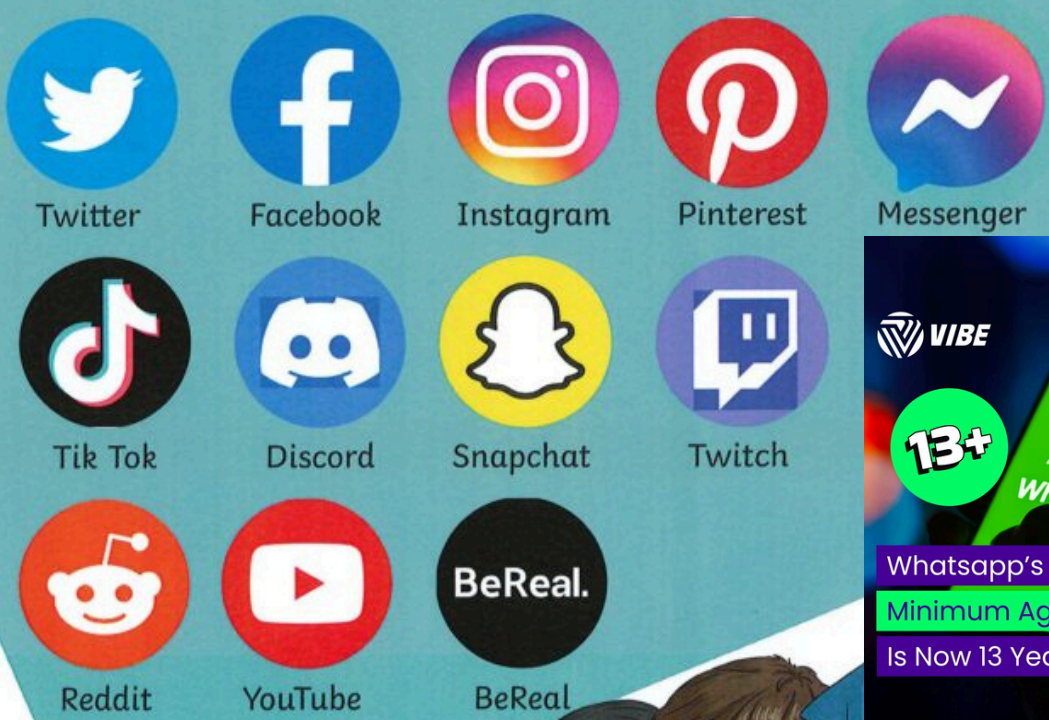
Please be mindful of what apps/social media children are accessing at home. Aside from the online safety aspect, accessing apps with higher age limits is often where inappropriate language is picked up and we do not want this being brought into school and other children being exposed to it. If children are being given permission to access material outside of their age range, please could you reiterate to them that inappropriate language should not be shared with others in school, even if it is not being directed at someone/used in an unkind manner.

In school, as part of our safeguarding measures, filtering and monitoring software is on all devices. This means that children cannot access inappropriate/age restricted content and if any inappropriate searches were carried out, they would be flagged and an alert sent to myself and Mrs Whitney (as the Designated and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads).

Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

13 is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps.



Twitter Facebook Instagram Pinterest Messenger

Tik Tok Discord Snapchat Twitch

Reddit YouTube BeReal

Disclaimer: This resource/information is not intended to encourage social media use and we cannot accept any responsibility for pupils that sign up to social media sites after using this resource/information.

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UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

NEXT WEEK:

Friday - Whole-school village walk (wellies or boots needed)

THIS TERM:

27th - 31st October: Half Term

Friday 7th November - Inset Day

Wednesday 12th November - Longford Little Ones

Friday 28th November - Individual & sibling school photos + FPTA Christmas Fair

Monday 8th December - Show and Share morning

Tuesday 9th December - Whole-school Panto Trip

Thursday 11th December - Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 12th December - School Plays at Wyaston Village Hall

Tuesday 16th December - Longford Little Ones

Friday 19th December - Christingle Service at St Chad's, 2.30pm + last day of term

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:

Monday - Lego Club until 4.15pm

Tuesday - Dodgeball (Primary Stars*) until 4.30pm

Wednesday - Creative (Miss Beresford) until 4.30pm

Thursday - Tennis (Primary Stars) until 4.30pm

Friday - Games (Miss Beresford) until 4.15pm

*Booked directly with Primary Stars



Reminders!

Friday - wellies or boots for school walk

Upcoming Sports Events 2025 - 2026

Date	Event
Tuesday 7 th October	Y3, 4, 5 & 6 Cross Country (PM)
Tuesday 11 th November	Y5 & 6 Tag Rugby (PM)
Tuesday 18 th November	Y3 & 4 Tag Rugby (PM)
Tuesday 18 th November	Y1 & Y2 - Cross Country (AM)
Tuesday 20 th January	KS2 Gymnastics (Waterhouses) (PM)
Tuesday 3 rd February	Y5 & 6 Sportshall Athletics (PM)
Tuesday 10 th February	Y3 & 4 Sportshall Athletics (PM)
Tuesday 24 th March	EYFS, Y1 & Y2 – Team Challenge (AM)
Tuesday 19 th May	KS2 Cricket (Parwich) (PM)
Tuesday 16 th June	EYFS, Y1 & Y2 – Sports Day (AM)
Tuesday 16 th June	Y5 & 6 Rounders (PM)
Tuesday 23 rd June	Y3 & 4 Rounders (PM)

Primary Stars Events

QEGS Events