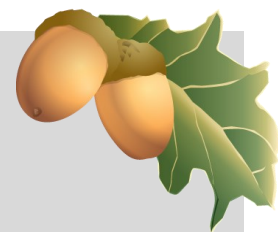


Long Whatton C of E Primary School



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Welcome back to a beautiful sunny start to Spring 2! We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead.

Front Door

On Friday 15th February we held a meeting in the hall to discuss the new morning routine. This meeting was then followed with an email.

We have changed the routine so that children come into school on their own, put their own belongings onto their pegs and join us on the playground as usual for 'Wakey Shakey.'

Thank you so much for your co-operation with this. This decision was made in order to ensure the safety of all of the children and went very well yesterday for our first try.

Over the half term the LEA have been out again to look at the move of the staffroom to the office and will be gaining new quotations quickly to get this project moving quickly.

Over the half term the Be Skilled group of Headteacher's came into school to help ken and I to move the office furniture into the staffroom so that Elizabeth can see who is at the door through the window. This is a temporary solution to monitor the front door until the works from the LEA are completed.



A big thank you to our PTA who organised a fantastic afternoon and evening disco for our children. The children had a wonderful time!



Young Voices

The children had a fantastic time at Young Voices this year and all their hard work and rehearsals really paid off!

A big thank you to Mrs Chantrill who rehearsed and planned the opportunity for the children and to Ms Rundle and Mrs Conway for going along to join in the fun with the children!

A great evening was had by all!

Key dates for your Diary

7.03.19 World Book Day- Dressing up as your favourite character from a book, more details to follow!

8.3.19 Reading Buddies and Congratulations assembly with Parents

22.03.19 Reading Buddies and Congratulations assembly with Parents

25.03.18-29.03.19 Cefn Lea Residential

05.04.19 Reading Buddies and Golden Award congratulations assembly with Parents

12.04.19 Break up



Reading Buddies

It has been lovely to see so many of our parents joining us for reading buddies on a Friday each fortnight. The children have really enjoyed this and love to see their parents and grandparents come in to school to read with them. They have also enjoyed forming new reading buddies with children from other classes. It is so important for children to enjoy reading and to instil in our children a reading for pleasure attitude.

The polytunnel

We are so very grateful to the Miss Jones fund for funding our school polytunnel. We are planning to grow lots of vegetables as part of our food for life project with all of the children. We will then be entering our beautiful vegetables into the village show in the summer and we are certain we will have some prize winners!



Thank you also to Ken and Mrs Conway who have spent many weekends putting the polytunnel together. Thank you also to Mr Fearn for the gravel and Harlow's for the wood. We can't wait to get started!

IE-safety There has been an article released expressing concerns over children's safety on the internet that we wish to make you aware of. Please see the links below:

<https://www.leicestermcury.co.uk/news/leicester-news/leicestershire-schools-issue-update-momo-2585999>

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/momo-online-safety-guide-for-parents/>



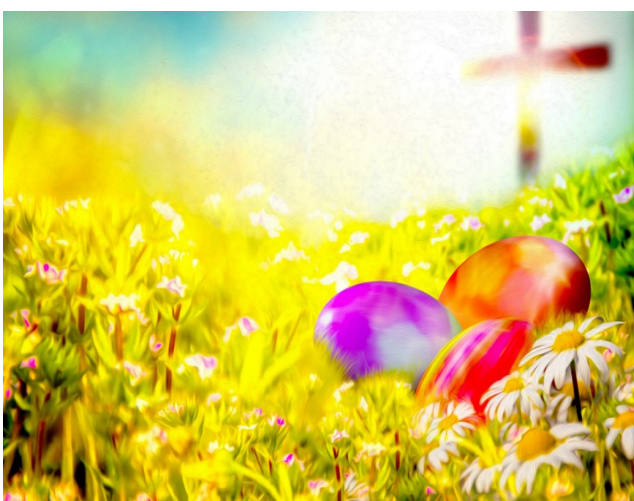
Don't forget we will be dressing up as our favourite character from a book next Thursday.
Get those costumes ready!

We will be book swapping on Friday 8th March from 3.20pm after our congratulations assembly. Please send the children in on Friday with any books they would like to swap!



Christian Values

The children have decided that the 5 Christian Values that we want to embed in our school and to add to our Long Whatton Way are hope, peace, tenacity, love and forgiveness. In our next congratulations assembly we will be adding our new Christian values certificate to our awards.



Easter Assembly

Our Easter Service will be held in the church again this year. We are just waiting for confirmation of the date from Reverend Laurretta and will let you know this as soon as possible.

I can't wait to see those Easter bonnets from Reception to year 5 and prayer gardens from the year 6's.



We are really looking forward to working with you over the next half term. Please remember you can chat to staff after school or book an appointment if you would like a more private conversation.

The Long Whatton Team!