

Long Whatton C of E Primary School

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Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term! We really hope you've all had a fantastic half term and are ready for the exciting run up to Christmas! Thank you so much for welcoming the new members of our team into Long Whatton and I know they are already finding our school a special place to be.

Reading across the school

A library update



A big thank you goes to our PTA who have been working incredibly hard to organise our books in the new library. We are nearly there now and very soon our children will be in and out loaning out the books.

Crumble



We are so looking forward to Crumble the reading dog coming into school on the 22nd November during reading buddies.

She has already popped into the Shooting stars this week to inspire their topic of Paws, Claws and Whiskers.

The Circus!



A huge thank you goes to our PTA again for planning and organising the circus for us in September. The event was a huge success and over £3000 was raised for the school. Everyone had a wonderful evening and it was fantastic to see the community coming together. A lot of hard work over 12 months was put into putting the circus together and organising 600 people. This was an amazing achievement for a small school.

Watch this space for the next big event!

PARENT FORUM

We held our first parent forum in school on 4th October 2019. The parent forum is there to facilitate positive and effective two way communication between parents and the school, providing a channel for communication, feedback and suggestions for improvement.

We had a good turn out and discussed the new Personal, Social, Health, Education curriculum and the school's vision.

We will be discussing homework and any other business in our next meeting on 29th November. Please come and join us.

Christmas

This year we are going to make our Christmas events even more special by having double the fun. We are going to be having two different performances this year. One for reception and key stage 1 and another for key stage 2. We want to really double the time and amount of performances that our children are part of. We want them to have more of a part than ever before and more of a chance to show off their performing skills in both drama and music. Therefore by having two different performances every child has the opportunity to shine for longer!

The Reception and Key stage 1 nativity



This will take place on 10th December from 2.00-3.00pm and on the 11th December from 6.00-7.00pm. This will be a real treat as we will see reception and years 1 and 2 perform a Christmas nativity for the first time together.

Key Stage 2 Christmas ensemble



This will take place on 18th December from 6.00-7.00pm. This will be a beautiful performance taking place in the church, where key stage two children will be showcasing their musical and drama talents.

Key Dates for the half term

Wednesday 30th October- Individual and sibling photographs

Friday 1st November- 2.15pm Reading buddies

Friday 1st November—2.45pm Congratulations Assembly

Friday 1st November- 4.30-7.30pm PTA Glow in the dark disco

Tuesday 5th November- 4.30-5.00pm Year 1 Phonics Parents meeting

Tuesday 5th November—5.00pm-5.30pm Year 2 SATs meeting

Wednesday 6th November -5.00-6.00pm Year 6 SATs meeting

Friday 8th November- Flu immunisation

Monday 11th November- Remembrance (all welcome to join us on the 11th hour to remember those who lost their lives at war.)

Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th November Lunch time roast days (all welcome to join your children for a roast dinner.)

Thursday 14th November- 5.30pm Whitemoor Lakes Key Stage 2 residential meeting

Friday 15th November- Children in Need (More details to follow)

Friday 15th November- 2.15pm Reading buddies

Friday 15th November—2.45pm Congratulations Assembly

Monday 18th November- 6.00pm-7.00pm Tony Whatmuff- How to help your child to read at home, parent workshop

Saturday 23rd November-10.am Prestwold Cross Country

Monday 25th November- 5.30pm How to help your child with maths at home, parent workshop

Friday 29th November- 2.15pm Parent Forum

Friday 29th November—2.45pm Congratulations Assembly

Tuesday 3rd December- Loughborough Panto Jack and the Beanstalk

Saturday 7th December- 9.00am PTA Santa Run

Tuesday 10th December- 2.00pm-3.00pm Reception and key stage 1 nativity

Wednesday 11th December- 6.00-7.00pm Reception and key stage 1 nativity

Friday 13th December- 2.15pm Reading buddies

Friday 13th December—2.45pm Congratulations Assembly

Wednesday 18th December Christmas dinner

Wednesday 18th December -6.00-7.00pm key stage 2 Christmas ensemble

Thursday 19th December Christmas parties for all classes