## Long Whatton C of E Primary School

Newsletter 01.03.2024

Live, Learn, Grow and Be Thankful

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring term! I do hope you all had a lovely half term and managed to get some well earnt rest. It is a very short half term of only 4 weeks before Easter so this half term is going to be very busy!

A huge thank you to our staff for taking the Key Stage 2 children on their residential to Whitemoor Lakes. I appreciate the time that they give up with their families so that the children can have this amazing experience. We hope many of the children will be joining us next year as we embark on a new venue for the residential, Laches Wood in Staffordshire.

There are a number of events taking place this half term, so please pop the dates in your diary.



07.03.24 - World Book Day

08.03.24 - (2.30pm) Positive Social will lead a session for parents on helping your child to use social media positively

08.03.24 - PTA Mother's Day gift sale

08.03.24 - Deadline to return KS2 2025 Residential forms

11.03.24 - (2.30pm) - Easter Service

13.03.24 - Reception and Year 6 Height and Weight measurements

13.03.24 - (2.30pm) All parents welcome to the children's Spring term Art gallery in the hall.

18.03.24 - Easter Messy Day (details to follow)

18.03.24 and 19.03.24 - 3.30-6.00pm Parents Evening

19.03.24 - Courageous Advocacy Day

20.03.24 - Easter Journey Year 5

21.03.24 - Easter lunch (menu to follow)

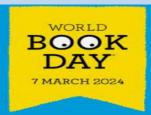
21.03.24 - Year 3/4 Sports event

21.03.24 - Duathlon

22.03.24 - PTA Easter Egg hunt

22.03.24 - Break up for Easter Holiday

08.04.24 - Return to school



We are really looking forward to welcoming the children next week into school in their pyjamas with their favourite book to share in class! Please remember to bring 50p to take part in the book swap in the afternoon. If you are able to come into school to read or help with refreshments from 1.30pm-3.00pm please let the office know we would love see you all.



Key Stage 1

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# **HONOURS ASSEMBLY**

Thursday 14th March:

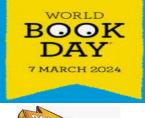
2.30pm - 2.45pm Reading Buddies

2.45pm - 3.10pm Honours Assembly

# OSITIVE

Positive Social sessions will be taking place again this year for our Owls class. This will focus upon tackling social media behaviour, issues of self-worth and taking back control of young lives from social media. They will demonstrate how social media can provide opportunities for the future, promote community cohesion and give young people confi-

On 8th March, Positive Social will be training staff at 12.30pm-1.10pm and then running a workshop with the Owls. They will then lead a session in the hall at 2.30pm for parents. Please pop in if you can. I know parents found it very valuable last year.





#### Whitemoor Lakes Residential

The Robins and Owls had a fantastic four days away at Whitemoor Lakes in Staffordshire before half term.

All the children showed excellent determination, teamwork and resilience during the different activities which ranged from fencing and orienteering to high ropes and climbing. Fun was had by all.

#### Charnwood College Cross-Country Competition

36 children represented Long Whatton at the Cross Country competition at Charnwood College earlier in February. They all ran incredibly well and 5 children

have been selected for the next round (Cross Country County Championships) taking place on 3rd March. We wish them all the best of luck. Well done.







## Fun at the Friendship Centre

The Hedgehogs enjoyed taking part in a games afternoon at the Friendship Centre. They all got involved in trying new games. They all had a lot of fun and showed good teamwork.



## <u>Sports Ambassadors</u> Shine

The Sports Ambassadors from the Owls have been working hard at lunchtimes to teach and show the other children new games as part of a happy lunchtime. They are doing a marvellous job and most importantly everyone is having





#### Let's get creative!

While the Robins and Owls were away, the Squirrels and Hedgehogs got creative. The Squirrels explored different textures using clay and the Hedgehogs mixed and investigated colours of the rainbow.



We are really looking forward to the half term ahead. Best Wishes, Mrs Gray and the Long Whatton Team.