

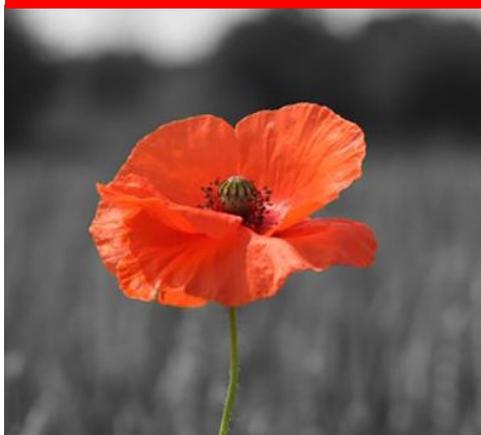
# Long Whatton C of E Primary School



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Dear Parents and Children, there's a lot happening over the next couple of weeks and these are some events happening in school to add to your diary.

## Remembrance



The children have been making poppies from plastic bottles and putting these together to make class poppy wreaths. We will be laying our wreaths by the memorial outside school on Friday at 10.50am before we start our two minutes silence. Some of our year 6 children will then share their poems that they have been writing this week in class.

You are most welcome to come and stand with us on Friday to remember those who have lost their lives whilst fighting for our country.

Poppies are available to buy in the school office.



## Change of Date!

I try to set key dates for your diary as early as possible and keep to them as much as possible. However this term I had invited parents into our honours assembly on the **30th November 2018** but after the newsletter was sent out a trip for the Busy Bees and Phoenix tribe was booked for the same Friday as this was the only available date at the Space Centre. We didn't want the children to miss out on this experience. You are still welcome to join us on the **16th November 2018** for our first honours assembly. We do hope the children enjoy their trip!



## Joan Coombes

You may have heard that Joan is retiring from Long Whatton at Christmas. After being at Long Whatton for 30 years she decided in the Summer that it is time to put her feet up and relax.

Joan selflessly stayed on for the Autumn term to help show me the ropes and to pass on as much of her knowledge of the school to me as possible and I am very grateful to her for that. It has also given me the chance to get to know Joan. It has been a real privilege to work alongside her and I know the rest of the staff feel the same.

I have seen first hand the relationships she has built with the community, parents and children in our school and I know she will be sorely missed by everyone.

We will be holding a special assembly for Joan on the last day of term on Friday 21st December at 2.00pm. Please come and join us for this assembly so we can give Joan the send off she deserves!



**BBC**  
**Children  
in Need**

On Friday 16th November we will be fundraising for Children in Need.

We would be very grateful if you can send in some cakes to school on this day ready for the children to sell at break times and after school to raise money for such a worthy cause. Also please remember to send in some money for your child to purchase a cake if they would like one.

The children can dress in yellow or wear their pyjamas on the day! with a donation of £1!



### Hug Your School!

Our next hug your school day on Saturday the 10th November is approaching fast!

We are planning to paint the children's toilets, dig some holes for the forest shelter and a team to help turn over the allotment ready for the children to plant seeds in January.

If you can help in any way, or for any amount of time, that would be greatly received. We are starting at 9.00am

### Food for Life Project!

Mrs Conway is currently working on the Food for Life project. The project aims to teach children about where their food comes from. Mrs Conway has led an assembly to recruit our SNAG group (School Nutrition Action Group). The children who volunteered to join the group have already started to work on improving their dinner hall experience. They have come up with suggestions including: table cloths on the tables, calming music, stickers to give out for a clean plate and much more!

She has already worked with Ken (our premises officer) and me over the half term to clear some of the allotment area so that the children can start planting and growing. The children will then start cooking across the school using the fruit and vegetables we have grown!

We are also welcoming parents into school for roast dinner days on the 14th November for EYFS and key stage 1 parents and on the 21st November for key stage 2 parents.

We will keep you updated on their project throughout the year.



**FOOD FOR LIFE  
BRONZE AWARD**