Long Whatton C of E Primary School

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Welcome back to the final half of the summer term at school. We hope you've all had a lovely holiday and plenty of rest. This is always a really busy half term in school with transitions to new schools and classes ahead.

We are welcoming back Mrs Taylor this half term and she is teaching with Mrs Welstead in the Phoenix class.



The Big Battery hunt has been going well in school. The children have been coming in with big bags of batteries filling up the boxes. We are certainly helping to save the planet! The deadline is the 7th June and then they are coming in the next 7 to 10 days to collect them.



Our school nurse, Michelle Greaves, will be dropping into school on the 20th June 2019.

The demand to see Michelle was high when she popped in for her first session so she has asked Mr Ball to make a list of 15 minute appointments to see her.

If you would like to book an appointment please contact the office.



Forest Shelter

The Forest School Shelter is nearly at completion stage. The last part has involved the children taking part in cob walling. The children have been mixing clay, sand, straw and water and completing the outside wall of the shelter. A big thank you goes to Mr Merrin who brought in his digger to help dig up some of the clay for us to use.

SUMMER CAMP-OUT 2019 Saturday June 29th £10 per Pitch (£12.50 on the day)



Prayer Walk

The Flying Falcons wrote their own prayers to read at key focal points in the village this week. Reverend Lauretta and Edward Kennedy joined us for our prayer walk.

BBQ and Campfire Toilet facilities provided Marshmallow & Baked potato supper (free) Bacon roll breakfast (free) Forest School Activities (free) Rounders & Football Don't forget to book your pitch with Dave in the office!









Key dates for your Diary

10.06.19- PTA meeting 6.30pm-7.30pm 13.06.19- Year 6 Residential meeting 5.00pm-6.00pm 14.06.19 -Reading buddies 2.15pm Congratulations assembly 2.45pm 20.06.19 School Nurse drop in 2.30pm-3.30pm 21.06.19 Father's day lunch (Further details to follow) 21.06.19 Father's day 1.15pm start 27.06.19-28.06.19 Year 6 residential 28.06.19 Reading buddies 2.15pm Congratulations assembly 2.45pm 29.06.19- PTA Campout 04.07.19 -05.07.19 Transition Days to new classes 09.07.19- Open afternoon for parents to discuss reports or transition to classes 3.20pm-5.00pm 10.07.19- Year 6 and three year 5's leavers presentation and Phoenix Tribe end of year performance. (Further details to follow) 12.07.19- Reading buddies 2.15pm Congratulations assembly 2.30pm 12.07.19- End of Term

Front Office Works



Work is due to start on the permanent move of the front office and a new lobby and hatch created on the 17th June.

The workmen are arriving on the 15th to set up safety restrictions over the weekend ready to start their work on the Monday. This is expected to last for 6 weeks.

During this time the main entrance to the school will be shut. Busy Bees will enter and leave the school as normal through their gate but the rest of the school will use the side gate to enter and leave the school. I will be waiting at the front gate as usual to see the children in safely onto the school premises.

Mr Ball will move temporarily into my office and will have a doorbell which we will put by the Busy Bees gate. Mr Ball will then receive any visitors at the Busy Bees gate throughout the day.

We will try to keep disruption down to a minimum but obviously due to safeguarding we are keen to start the works as soon as possible.



We know how useful social media can be to share information that you may need clarifying or reminders of dates and items to bring in to school. We try our best to communicate these to you with as much notice as possible.

We appreciate that we can not control or endorse social media accounts that are not set up by the school but we do please ask for them to be used responsibly and not to discuss the staff or school. If you have anything you would like to discuss please pop into school and see us and we will of course take on board any feedback given. I am extremely proud of our school and our staff and they all work extremely hard to provide the best opportunities that they can for our children.

We are looking forward to a very busy term ahead! Don't forget to catch the teachers after school or make an appointment with Mr Ball if you need to catch up with your child's class teacher.

Mrs Gray and the Long Whatton Team