

# Long Whatton C of E Primary School

Newsletter 10.04.2025

*Live, Learn, Grow and Be Thankful*



We have had a fantastic Spring term at Long Whatton, with beautiful weather and plenty of activities to keep us all engaged. It was so lovely to see so many mums and special ladies joining us for the Mother's Day lunch recently. We hope you all had a wonderful Mother's Day! A big thank you to our PTA for organizing the Mother's Day gift sale.

We also appreciate everyone who attended our Easter service - it was wonderful to have you all with us. Thank you for supporting your child in creating an Easter Bonnet or Prayer Garden. These traditions are a beautiful reminder that Spring and Easter are here.

The next half term may be short, but it's packed with exciting events. We would love to see you at school during this busy time, so please make a note of the upcoming diary dates below:



28.04.25 - School reopens  
01.05.25 - Squirrels trip to the Synagogue  
02.05.25 - May Day celebrations (1:30pm)  
05.05.25 - May Bank Holiday - School closed  
08.05.25 - VE day celebrations  
09.05.25 - Kickboxing taster sessions  
12-15th May - Year 6 SATs week  
12.05.25 - Year 2 village library bus visit  
12.05.25 - Robins prayer walk  
16.05.25 - Christian Aid coffee morning  
16.05.25 - PTA Colour Run  
21.05.25 - Whole school and class photos  
23.05.25 - Sports Day 1.30pm-3.00pm  
23.05.25 - Finish for May half term  
02.06.25 - School reopens

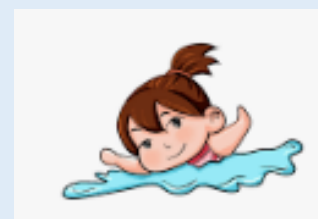
## HONOURS ASSEMBLY

09.05.25 - Reading Buddies: 2.30pm - 2.45pm  
Honours Assembly: 2.45pm - 3.10pm

## SWIMMING

### Key Stage Two Dates:

01.05.25  
08.05.25  
15.05.25  
22.05.25



## May Day



The children will be taking part in VE celebrations in the afternoon. We are busy organising events and our PTA has already organised for the ice-cream van to arrive in the afternoon.

The children are welcome to come to school wearing red, white and blue for the day.

We'd love for you to join us at school on 02.05.25 at 1:30pm for our May Day celebrations! The children will be showcasing their spring dances and participating in our traditional Hobby Horse races. Please ensure your child has a Hobby Horse for the event. Our PTA has already sent out instructions on how to make one or alternatively a purchased one would be wonderful too.



### Join Us for a Coffee Morning!

We're hosting a coffee morning in support of Christian Aid Week on **Friday 16th May 2025**, from **8:45am to 10:00am**.

We would be very grateful for any **donations of cakes** to help make the event a success. Please can these be brought into school on the day.

Everyone is warmly invited—come along and enjoy a cuppa, some cake, and good company!



### Get Ready for Our School Colour Run!

Join us on **Friday 16th May 2025** for a fun-filled **Colour Run** at school!

More details will be shared soon by the PTA, but here's a sneak peek:

We'll be looking for **volunteers to help throw the paint**, and you'll also have the chance to **run alongside your child and get colourful too!**

It's going to be a vibrant and memorable day - we can't wait to see you there!



The next chance to purchase second-hand uniform for a small donation will be **after school on 09.05.2025**.

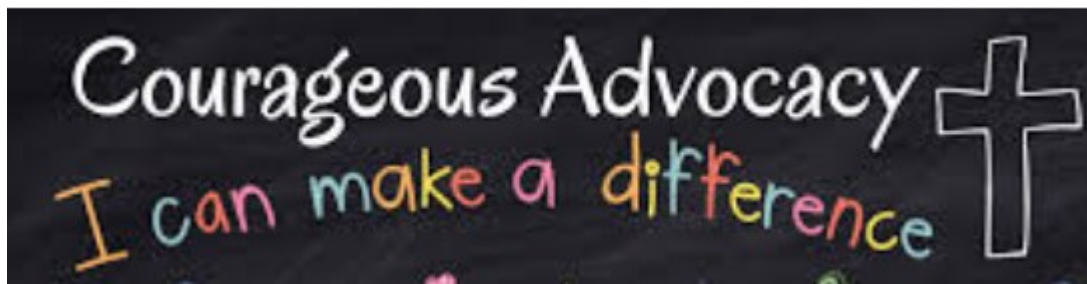
Come along and pick up any items you need!



### A Huge Well Done to All Our Children!

What a **wonderful Easter service!** The singing and poetry were truly amazing, and our talented musicians and school band brought the whole celebration to life. We're so proud of everyone involved—thank you for making it so special!





Each year, our children collaborate with Belton and St Hardulph's School to celebrate the achievements of well-known advocates. Together, we explore the causes they championed and decide how we can take action to make a difference.



The Owls did a fantastic job creating action projects for **Courageous Advocacy Day**. They explored the inspiring story of **Malala Yousafzai** and came up with thoughtful ways to promote **education for all**.



The **Hedgehogs** class learned about **King Charles** and his passion for the natural world - especially **organic farming**. Inspired by his example, the children planted **potato, lettuce, and spinach seeds** in our school garden. A wonderful step towards caring for our environment.



**A huge well done to our amazing children who represented Long Whatton at the BeSkilled Duathlon event at Hicks Lodge!**

We had such a fantastic level of interest this year that we've decided to hold our very own **Long Whatton Duathlon** this summer, giving all the children who wanted to take part the chance to enjoy the experience.

**Mrs Plummer will be sharing more details soon - watch this space!**



# SPiRiT OF THE GAMES



Well done to our fantastic children who represented Long Whatton at the Charnwood Orienteering Event!

We were thrilled to hear that we won the **Spirit of the Games Award**—a brilliant achievement and a true reflection of the teamwork and sportsmanship shown on the day!



Our Cross Country Runners!

Our Cricket taster session!



Our children took part in **Elimination of Racism Day**, engaging in meaningful **stories and discussions** that helped promote understanding, empathy and inclusion.



The Owls explored the beautiful picture book *The Migrant* and were inspired to create thoughtful artwork celebrating the idea that **everyone is unique and special**.

Have a wonderful Easter holiday! Best wishes, Mrs Gray and The Long Whatton Team.