

Long Whatton C of E Primary School

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Live, Learn, Grow and Be Thankful



Here we are at the end of another busy year at Long Whatton. There have been ups and downs with Covid rising it's head occasionally but it has been lovely to see almost normal back again.

I would of course like to thank the hardworking team at Long Whatton who always go above and beyond for our children.

Thank you parents for working in partnership with us for both the academic and emotional support for our children.

A huge thank you to our PTA who have not only raised money for the school but also brought the children back together with discos and the Santa Run.

Lastly I'd like to thank the Governors for volunteering their time over the year to ensure our school continues to drive forward.

I wish you all a lovely summer building lasting memories.

There have been so many successes over the summer term. But our first congratulations goes to Alice, Lily, Quinty and Rosie who managed to beat off the competition from other schools across the county to win the Stem 3M Monument Challenge. We are so proud of you. Thank you Mr Lawson and parents for supporting them with this.



We are also proud of our children for helping us to gain the Silver 'Food for Life' award. This is in recognition of the work in school of growing vegetables, cooking with what we grow, healthy lunchtimes, our chickens and our SNAG (School Nutrition Action Group) group projects. Our Food for Life work is now an integral part of our school.



We are also able to celebrate our award of the Gold School Games Mark. Mrs Plummer and Mr Slaney have been working hard over the last 3 years to gain this award. They have had to collect a lot of evidence. Over the past two years as they tried to submit their evidence they stopped the award due to Covid. They both persevered and finally achieved the recognition they deserve for the high quality PE they offer and clubs.



Over the summer term Mr Lawson has been working with all classes to design an eco garden for the school with the hope of winning £20,000 from East Midlands Airport eco garden competition to bring the dream to life.

We are delighted to announce that we won the competition and we will be building the eco garden over the next academic year! A huge well done to Mr Lawson and the children. This will further enhance our Science curriculum. I look forward to keeping you up to date with the developments over the next academic year.

Year 6's

We have had a wonderful couple of weeks saying goodbye to our current Year 6's. We thoroughly enjoyed our campout, their end of year performance with Year 5's and their awards ceremony. We will miss this cohort and their families dearly. They are a perfect example of the vision of our school prepared to **live** their best life, **learnt** so much in their time at school, **grown** into wonderful, responsible children and are **thankful** of others and what they have. I know they all have a bright future ahead of them.

I would like to thank the children for all of their hard work and the teachers who have taught them over the years. Despite two lockdowns the children gained amazing SATs results and the school is significantly above Leicestershire Counties and National results in all areas. The children should be rightly proud of their achievements.

It has been wonderful having Mrs Norris with us this year, she has fitted in so well to the team and I know the children have enjoyed their time with her. I would like to thank her for all of her hard work this year and wish her well on her next venture. Mrs Norris we will be popping into school over the next academic year so we won't be saying goodbye for too long.



Mrs Conway has now returned to Long Whatton and launched her first day back with a whole school Big Frieze RE day. The children had a wonderful day recreating the stories from the Bible.

These will go on display in the hall.



Monday 11th July 2022 will be non-uniform day.



Well done to Eleanor, Mia and Mia for organising the Long Whatton Talent show to raise money for Ukraine. The final top 10 show for parents was amazing. We have so many talented children in our school!



We are really looking forward to working with you again in the next academic year!

Best wishes, Mrs Gray and the Long Whatton Team