

Longworth Primary School

October 2018

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Message from the Headteacher:

I have been so impressed with all the hard work shown by the children (thank you to parents) and staff at Longworth Primary School this half of term. We have had many trips and events (Corinium Museum, Cotswold Farm Park and the Oxfordshire Museum) adding context to the children's learning. I wish you all have a short, but fulfilling break with your children and I look forward to seeing them all for the next half of term.

We have some clubs starting this term, including:

Tuesday: Multisport Club* - Ignite Sports – all years.

Wednesday: Lunchtime – Basketball Club Yrs 4-6 and After School American Football Club* – Yrs 3,4,5 & 6 (both with Martin Dobinson)

Thursday: Yoga Club*

Thanks to all those staff who have given their time to run a club for the children this year.

*These clubs require a payment.

School Council

School council elections will happen the first week back to school after half term. If your child wishes to represent their fellow pupils and have a passion for improving our school, can they please write and practice a speech which we will share in assembly on Thursday, 1st November.

Diary Dates:

Friday, October 19

Hedgehog and Otter Class - Archaeological Dig, Earth Trust

Monday, October 29

Start of Autumn term - 2nd half

Wednesday, October 31

Yr 5/6 - Science Explorers/Dark Matter Day, RAL -

Friday, November 9

10:30am Whole School to visit church: parents invited

Tuesday, November 13

3:30pm Otter Parent Interviews

Wednesday, November 14

1:00pm Inter House Winter Games: parents invited

3:30pm Otter, Hedgehog and Fox Class Parent Interviews

Thursday, November 15

4:30pm Hedgehog Class Parent Teacher Interviews

Friday, November 16

2:30pm Science Fair (Parents invited)

Monday, November 19

3:10pm Kilvrough Meeting for parents

Tuesday, November 20

3:00pm Book Fair

Wednesday, November 21

1:00pm Flu Vaccination - FS, Yrs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

3:00pm Book Fair

Tuesday, December 11

9:00am Fox Class Christmas Play

Thursday, December 13

9:00am Fox Class Christmas Play

Tuesday, December 18

1:00pm Otter Class Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 19

12:00pm School Christmas Dinner

6:30pm Hedgehog and Otter Christmas Service

Friday, December 21

9:30am Hedgehog and Fox Class Christmas Party

Monday, January 7, 2019

INSET Day

Tuesday, January 8, 2019

Start of Spring term - 1st half

Monday, January 14, 2019 to Friday, January 18 2019

Kilvrough Residential - Years 4, 5, 6

Tuesday, January 29, 2019

9:00am:

Roald Dahl Visit - Hedgehog and Otter Class

Thursday, February 7, 2019

Longworth E-Safety Day

Friday, February 15, 2019

Last day of term

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Porridge Day

On Wednesday, 10th October we held a 'Porridge Morning' to celebrate harvest and to bring our community together on a bright dry October morning. This event was really well supported by parents and proved to be a very sociable way to start the day. I would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Willetts who braved the outside making this wonderful event available to all.

Healthy Snacks in School

For some children it is really important they have a snack in the morning. I would be grateful if this snack could be healthy and not contain chocolate or refined sugars. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Run a mile

This term we have given the children the opportunity to run a mile. At present, we are running for up to ten minutes three times a week. While the weather was dry, we used our cross country course but this week the children have been running around the school. This is a national initiative, which the children have enjoyed and I am sure looking forward to many more 'mile runs' in the coming winter months.

Friends of Longworth School (FLS)



The Friends of Longworth School is a registered charity (1108995) formed to support Longworth Undenominational School. We are the PTA for the school and organise a variety of events during the year to help raise money for the school. The FLS also runs a Facebook Group, which all parents and carers are invited to join, where we advertise events and communicate with parents. It also provides a forum for parents' school-related queries: search for "Friends of Longworth School"

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/156761514968116/>

Sports Events:

Tag Rugby Tournament:

Longworth Year 5 and 6s attended the local tag rugby festival at Faringdon. They worked particularly well as a team at this event and reached the final from eight teams in the partnership. A loss in the final gave them a very commendable second place. They were very proud of their medals which they received.

Cross Country Events:

A full squad of Year 3 to 6, boys and girls, represented Longworth at the annual Buscot Cross Country. All the children showed great stamina and determination. We were very proud that the Year 3 and 4 girls' team came second overall and qualified for the Vale Competition the following week. Thank you to Mrs Jones, Mrs Willetts and Mrs Walton who all helped in the organisation and running of these events.

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Library Competition



Design a book cover:

Foxes: The Fish Who Could Wish – Korky Paul

Hedgehogs: Horrid Henry's Guide to Perfect Parents –
Francesca Simon

Otters: Diary of a Wimpy Kid-The Getaway – Jeff Kinney
Closing date Friday 9th November (entries to office with
name on reverse)

Longworth Fireworks Party 6:30 pm Saturday 3rd November 2018

All the children from the Longworth Primary School are invited to design a poster to advertise the Longworth Fireworks Party 2018.

Please bring your posters back to school by Monday 29th October. The Headteacher will judge the posters. There will be one winner from each class. The 3 winners will receive a free family ticket to the Fireworks' party.

Go for it girls and boys: design an amazing poster to celebrate our 11th Fireworks' party!!

Hedgehog Class enjoyed a fact-filled day at the Corinium Museum in Cirencester. This wonderful event is best summed up by two of our budding writers in Year 2 and 3:

It all started when we got on the bus to go to the Corinium Museum. It was a long journey but it was worth it. My partner was Scott. We looked at my Pokemon Handbook. When we got there we did lots of activities! The activity I loved was dressing up.

When we got to the main bit I was amazed to see the statues especially Mrs Getty! When we finally got upstairs I loved the computers.

And that was the best school trip ever!
Henry

Yesterday I went the Corinium Museum. We went to get dressed into Roman clothes. We saw lots of mosaics and jewellery. I enjoyed lunch but I wish I had more. I really liked the museum.

Kit

Year 5 Magic Science Show

The children were amazed and enthused by this event held at Cokethorpe School on 18th October. The year 5s really enjoyed the amazing science tricks. "I saw lightning inside!" explained one year 5.

Thank you to Mrs Walton who accompanied the children to and from this event.