

NEWS Bulletin



Latest News from Longhill

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Dear Parents / Carers

The spring term has already seen many children take part in workshops and go on trips linked to their work in school.

Year 5 have been to the Leicester Space Centre to enhance their writing topic 'Mission to Mars.' They had a great time and this is a trip that we will hopefully book again next year.



Our KS 2 reading ambassadors and the children in year 4 have been to the theatre to watch Gangsta Granny. Year Four will then be writing to David Walliams to invite him into school. (Watch this space!)

Our Year three children have been part of a poetry workshop with Paul Cookson, our patron of reading. They used the skills they learnt last term and his poetry knowledge to create some new poems this term.

We are hoping to have more parent events in the Summer term as we are missing seeing you in school supporting us and working with your children.

Latest News

PE Kit

We are constantly reminding the children about the standards we have for PE Kit. Please can you ensure your child comes in the correct kit on the day that they do PE.

The only jumpers / cardigans that should be worn on PE day are their school jumpers or cardigans, the same ones that they would wear during the week. These should be navy blue. Year six have the option of the normal navy blue jumper or the navy blue leavers hoodies that could be purchased by yourselves, but again this is what they would wear throughout the week.

The PE kit is as follows:

White / Light blue T shirt

Blue / Black shorts or tracksuit bottoms School jumper can be worn if they are outside.

If your child is not in the correct PE kit we will provide them with some spare kit that they will be asked to change in to.

PE days are as follows:

Monday - Foundation 2 and Year 2

Tuesday - Year 3

Wednesday - Year 5 and Year 4

Thursday - Foundation 1 morning and Year 6

Friday - Year 1

Parents Evening

We are giving you plenty of notice for parents evening in the spring term. This will take place on April 7th from 3:30pm – 7pm. If you are unable to attend on this day then you may request a telephone meeting with the class teacher instead which will take place in the Summer Term. Further information for making appointment times will be sent out after February half term via SchoolPing.

SchoolPing

All messages, except for those relating to outstanding School Meal balances, will be sent via SchoolPing. Please contact the school office if you are not able to access SchoolPing.

Outstanding School Meal balances

We would appreciate it if parents/carers could please ensure that all outstanding school meal balances are cleared by half-term. All payments should be made through ParentPay.

Mr Batty

Mrs Pearce

School Notices

Bikes/scooters on school premises

Bikes and scooters are still not permitted on school grounds.

Leaving school

At the end of the school day there will continue to be staggered pick up times to help keep a steady flow of cars and people on the school site.

Please pick your children up between the following times:

Foundation Stage will begin to leave from 3pm from the normal school exit.

Year 1 and 2 will start going home at 3pm from the 2 doors leading onto the playground.

Year 3 and 4 will leave from 3.10pm from the 2 doors leading onto the playground

Year 5 and 6 will leave from 3.15pm from the 2 doors leading onto the playground.

Conduct of parents on the school playground

We have recently had reports of a small minority of parents using threatening and abusive language towards other parents on the playground. This type of behaviour will not be tolerated on school premises. Anyone found to be acting in an abusive or threatening manner will be banned from accessing the school site.

Earrings

Earrings are not allowed at Longhill Primary School. Please ensure that your child has removed their earrings before coming to school. If they still have them in and we cannot contact you to remove them then unfortunately your child will not be allowed to take part in any physical activity - this includes going out at playtime. This falls under our health and safety policy.

Mobile Phones

Reminder that children should not bring mobile phones to school. If a mobile phone is brought into school, it must be handed to the class teacher.

Water Bottles

Please remember to send your child with a water bottle, clearly named, on a daily basis. Bottles can be refilled in class throughout the day.

Online Safety Update

The best way to help keep your children safe online is by talking to them about what they do on the internet. The ThinkUKnow website is an excellent resource that provides plenty of resources to support this discussion between you and your children. The Jessie and Friends resources are brilliant for 4-7 year olds, while the Play, Like, Share resources are suitable for 8-11 year olds. Additionally, the websites www.parentinfo.org and <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/> are great websites that can help keep you up-to-date on the latest apps, games and websites that the children may be using. They also provide excellent guidelines for keeping safe while using the internet.

School Notices

School uniform

The school uniform is as follows:

White or light blue polo shirt
Navy blue jumper / cardigan
Black/grey trousers (short or long) / Black/grey skirt
Appropriate footwear

If a child is not wearing the correct uniform parents will be contacted by the phase leader to discuss how we can support you in any way.

If a child arrives in the wrong jumper they will be asked to remove it and put it on their peg.

Year Group Emails

Each year group has an email address for you to contact your child's class teacher, they are as follows

longhillstaffeyfs@hcat.org.uk
foundationstage.longhill@hcat.org.uk
yearone.longhill.@hcat.org.uk
yeartwo.longhill@hcat.org.uk
yearthree.longhill@hcat.org.uk
yearfour.longhill@hcat.org.uk
yearfive.longhill@hcat.org.uk
yearsix.longhill@hcat.org.uk

Diary Dates

2021-22

17 February—CLOSE FOR HALF-TERM
1 March—SCHOOL RE-OPENS
18 March—Red Nose Day
7 April—Parents' Evening
7 April—CLOSE FOR EASTER
25 April—SCHOOL RE-OPENS
2 May—BANK HOLIDAY—SCHOOL CLOSED
26 May—CLOSE FOR HALF-TERM
8 June—SCHOOL RE-OPENS
22 July—CLOSE FOR SUMMER

2022-23

6 September—SCHOOL RE-OPENS
20 October—CLOSE FOR HALF-TERM
2 November—SCHOOL RE-OPENS
20 December—CLOSE FOR CHRISTMAS
4 January—SCHOOL RE-OPENS
10 February—CLOSE FOR HALF-TERM
21 February—SCHOOL RE-OPENS
31 March—CLOSE FOR EASTER
17 April—SCHOOL RE-OPENS
1 May—BANK HOLIDAY—SCHOOL CLOSED
26 May—CLOSE FOR HALF-TERM
7 June—SCHOOL RE-OPENS
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