

General news

It's the end of what has been a great term in school. Thank you to everyone who sent in an egg for the Easter egg display. As ever we saw some amazing creations and we obviously have some very creative children and parents. Below is a sample of just a very small selection of some of the entrees:



The Summer term will be a busy one with the year 6 residential, many classes starting swimming classes and the year 2 and 6 children completing their SATs tests. As the term progresses we will begin giving you information about class arrangements for September 2023.

We hope you have great Easter break with your children and we look forward to seeing you back in school for the new term on Monday 17th April.

Thank you for your continued support – Mr Batty and Mrs Pearce

Attendance

Whole school attendance currently stands at **93%**. National average is normally around **95.5%**.

If your child is not going to be in school then please let the school office know as soon as possible.

Just a reminder that holidays will be unauthorised and unauthorised attendance could well lead to a fine.

Key messages

Conduct with the school office – We have recently had a small amount of parents who have been rude and aggressive when calling the office staff or when they have been into school. If you have an issue please speak politely and calmly to staff and they will do their best to help. We do appreciate you may be frustrated but it is unfair to take frustrations out on school staff.

Jewellery – This is a reminder that children are strictly **NOT TO WEAR** earrings to school. This is clearly stated on the school website and this is something that has been for place for at least 20 years. A link to the school uniform policy can be found here <https://longhillprimary.org.uk/uniform/>

Breakfast Club – A reminder that children must be booked into breakfast club the day before. We cannot accept bookings on the day as we need to ensure staffing is in place.

New Lunch menu – The new menu for Summer 1 can be found in the link below:

<https://longhillprimary.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/HCAT-Menu-Week-1-Summer-term.pdf>

Safeguarding corner – Bike safety

The year 5 children recently completed their Bikeability programme. Below is some information about how to stay safe whilst on a bike. Please take time to talk to your children about this if they are using their bikes during the holidays



Be Bright, Be Safe, Be Seen!

Be Bright
Wear bright colours such as yellow, orange, or pink.

Be Safe
Baggy or loose clothing can get tangled up so be sure that your shoe laces are tied, and your clothes don't catch on the chain or wheels.
If you have to carry things like a football or a lunch box then put them in a backpack.
Don't carry things in your hands as you won't be able to steer and brake properly.

Always wear a helmet.

Be Seen!
Wearing bright colours makes it easier for people to see you.

Look at the boy overleaf.
Can you see which of his clothing is **Bright** **Protective** **Reflective**
Which parts on his bike above are **Reflective** **Glowing** **Shining**

How many things in your home are:
**Bright Sparkly Glittery Shiny Light Twinkly
Dazzling Gleaming Reflective Fluorescent
Glowing Shiny Flashing Glistening Flickering**

Circle as many of the words as you can find

Dates for your diary

Friday 31st March – Break for the Easter holidays.

Monday April 17th – children return to school

Thursday 20th April – Parents evening/Year 5 trip to Tropical World

Monday 1st May – School closed for May bank holiday.

Friday 5th May – Celebrate the coronation day in school. Children can wear red/white/blue

Monday 8th May – School closed for the King's coronation.

Tuesday 9th May – Friday 12th May – Year 6 SATS week.

Tuesday 9th May – Year 4JK swimming for two weeks

Monday 15th May – Friday 19th May – Year 2 SAT tests

Friday 26th May – Finish for half term

Wednesday 7th June – Children return to school

Monday 12th June – Friday 23rd June – Year 6 swimming

Monday 26th June – Wednesday 28th June – Year 6 residential

Monday 3rd July – Friday 14th July – Year 4/5 swimming

Tuesday 4th July – Music concert for KS2

Monday 10th July – Friday 14th July – Year 6 transition week

Thursday 13th and Friday 14th July – transition days in school, children to spend time with their new teacher

Monday 17th July – Thursday 20th July – Sport week. Children to wear PE kit all week.

Thursday 20th July – Finish for Summer

Friday 21st July – Training day – Children not in school

Click below for a link to the term dates

<https://longhillprimary.org.uk/term-dates/>