



Longhill Primary School

Newsletter Issue 6

Friday 12th May 2023



General news

The year 6 children have been sitting their national SATS tests this week. The children's attitudes to their tests have been excellent, they have worked really hard and certainly deserve a rest this weekend!

We would like to thank the parents of the year 6 children for their support this year in helping the children to be as ready as they can be for this week, it can be a worrying time for the children but they have all been very relaxed and have given it their all.

Next week the year 2 children take their national tests and we wish them the best of luck.

We are back to a normal 2 day weekend so see you all on Monday!

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

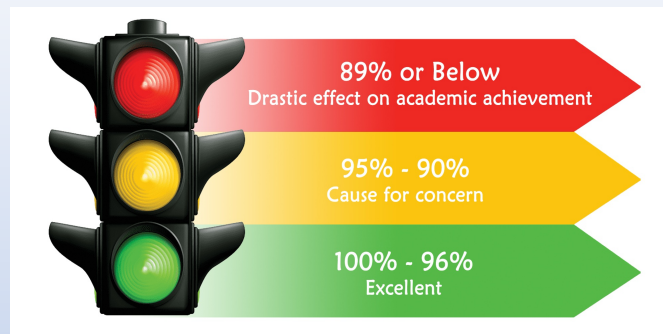
Jewellery – This is a reminder that children are strictly **NOT TO WEAR** earrings to school. This is clearly stated on the school website and this is something that has been for place for at least 20 years. A link to the school uniform policy can be found here <https://longhillprimary.org.uk/uniform/>

Energy drinks – We are seeing some of our older children starting to come to school with energy drinks, these are not allowed in school. Please take a minute to read the information below about the negative effects of drinking energy drinks.

Lunch menu - The menu for Summer 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 – The importance of attendance



Going to school regularly is important for your child's future. Parents are responsible for making sure their children receive full time education. Parents are legally responsible for making sure that children go to school. If your child doesn't go to school, you could get fined or prosecuted.

Letting your child's school know of any absences as soon as possible is very important. Even though, however, your child's absence may be authorised it does not mean that it will not affect their attendance figure. If your child's attendance falls below 90%, they fall into the category of a persistent absentee. The national attendance figure is 96% and this is what we aim for all children at Longhill Primary School to achieve.

We would like to thank those parents who have been in for meetings with the school about attendance and have looked for ways forward. Mrs Pearce or Miss Peskey will be making appointments to meet with other parents before the end of the school year.

Dates for your diary

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

Wednesday 12th July – Year 3 trip to Bonus Arena

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.

Tuesday 18th July – Year 6 play and leavers service

Thursday 20th July – Finish for Summer

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

Wednesday 6th September – Children return to school for the new year

Click below for a link to the term dates

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