



# Longhill Primary School Newsletter Issue 19 Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024



## General news

Dear parents/carers

It has been a busy start the new term with the year 5 having a brilliant time at the Magna science museum in Sheffield on Tuesday of this week.

Foundation Stage 2 children have been working really hard with their reading and had a visit from our school poet Paul Cookson last week where they wrote a story together called The Chocolate Cake (see Twitter feed for more!) We also welcomed Foundation Stage 2 parents into school for our first stay and read session; this went really well and it was great to see so many people attend. Reading is such an important skill for children to learn and you as parents can play a huge role in this by enjoying books with your children.

In the coming newsletters there will be a section on active learning where we will be giving you examples of activities you can do at home to increase physical movement.

It's another short half term this term with much longer terms in the Summer; the term dates have been updated in the diary dates section below.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Batty and Mrs Pearce

## Attendance figure to date

The attendance figure to date for the whole school is 94.3% The current national figure is 93.7%.

If your child's attendance during the school year was.....	Your child would have lost approximately.....	Or they would have missed approximately....
95%	9 days from school	50 lessons
90%	19 days from school	100 lessons
85%	29 days from school	150 lessons
80%	38 days from school	200 lessons
75%	48 days from school	250 lessons

Remember Absence = Lost Opportunity

**Lunch menu** - The menu for this term can be found in the link below:

<https://longhillprimary.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Autumn-2023-menu.pdf>

### **Active learning**

This week, see if your child can have a go at this activity to help increase physical movements at home.

Exercise as they're practicing phonics or spelling. They can do jumping jacks as they spell out words or recite phonics phoneme facts as they're doing squats. Or pass a ball back and forth as they're practicing number sums or number facts.

### **Dates for your diary**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March. Artist day Andy Warhole  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Foundation 1 visit to Sandhills Garden Centre  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Break for Easter  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April – Children return to school  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May – School closed for may Bank holiday  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May - Year 6 SATS week  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Break for half term  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Children return to school

Click below for a link to the term dates

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

