



Long Lawford Primary School

Love, Learn, Persevere and Succeed

Friday 11th Nov 2022

Newsletter



Love, Learn, Persevere, Succeed!

A message from Mrs. Stringer:

Welcome back following half term! Over the last couple of weeks, we have been introducing children to their new topics of learning. Please see page 3 of this newsletter to read about what children have been up to!

Today we held a minutes' silence in respect for Remembrance Day. The children have been talking a lot about this today.

As you may be aware, we had some unexpected issues around flooding in the older part of the building early this week. I am pleased to inform you that we have been working hard to minimize disruption. Staff, children, and parents have been fantastic in their support during this time, really showing the school values of **Love, Learn, Persevere** and **Succeed** – THANK YOU.

We have also been busy planning lots of events on the build up to Christmas that we hope you will all enjoy. All the dates are on page 4 of this newsletter. We've also had to change a few dates further on in the year. Any changes are in red and are on Page 5.

Reminder: We always have good quality preloved uniform available at the school. Please contact us if you need any.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please speak with your child's class teacher, ring the school on 01788 543332 or send an email to:

Admin2405@welearn365.com

Attendance & Punctuality

Attendance for the past 2 weeks is 93% across our school. National expectation is 96%.

Late Gate

The introduction of late gate has been a resounding success! Already, we have seen a huge reduction in the number of children arriving late to school. This is extremely positive and allows pupils to have every opportunity to **learn** and **succeed**! Thank you to our families for working with us on this important issue.

**Children in Need Day –
FRIDAY 18th
NOVEMBER**

Children, parents/carers and staff are invited to wear yellow clothing or spotty clothing for a donation of £1 for Children In Need.



Pay360

You can view your child's club/dinner account via Pay360. If you have any questions about access and/or payments, please get in touch with us.

Reminder: We are after some Christmas Jumpers donations that are no longer needed but have plenty of life left in them to sell at our Christmas Fair. Please hand donations to the Main Office – they are greatly appreciated!

Online Safety Message:

Keeping all children safe online is VERY important. Here is a link to NSPCC guidance to support parents and carers: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/globalassets/documents/advice-and-info/online-safety-keep-child-safe.pdf> If you have any concerns or need support with your child's online safety, please contact us for support.

Parent View Questionnaire

Please take a moment to complete the [Ofsted Parent View Questionnaire](#). It's quick and easy, taking only 2-3 minutes. We've only had 22 responses so far!

Our Curriculum - ever wondered what your child is learning in school? There are a few ways you can find out! We:

- Have a dedicated section of the school website that tells you what children will be learning across the year in each year group – click [here](#)!
- We send out half termly class newsletters via email (by the end of the first week of each half term). If you haven't received a newsletter, please contact the school office
- Share updates in every fortnightly newsletter for each year group – click [here](#) to see them
- Hold parent meetings twice yearly followed by a school report at the end of the year

You can get more information about your child's learning by:

- Speaking to your child's class teacher – they are happy to share your child's books with you and have a discussion with you as needed.
- Keep an eye out over the next term for **videos** explaining our curriculum!

Changing Weather

Please make sure children are wearing warm clothing, have suitable warm coats and waterproof or winter footwear. Children remain outside for play and lunchtimes. Thank You!



Ready
Responsible
Respectful



Look What We've Been Doing...

In Nursery we have been drawing dinosaurs with different features such as spikes, long tails and necks and sharp teeth. We also made dinosaur masks and pretended to be a dinosaur moving around and making dinosaur noises. In the playground we have been learning about dens and made one to hide in.

In Reception we have been learning about Dinosaurs! The children have been thinking a lot about dinosaurs and will be writing simple words and sentences about dinosaurs from next week. In Maths, the children have been learning about length and weight.

In Year 1 we have been enjoying our "Celebrations" topic. This week's focus has been on "Bonfire Night". We have been writing shape poems about fireworks and learning about Guy Fawkes through our History work. In Maths, we have started looking at subtraction and in Science lessons we have carried out an investigation into who had the biggest hands and feet in our classes.

In Year 2 we have been busy learning all about Motte and Bailey castles and drawing and labelling our own Motte and Bailey castles. In science, we have been finding out who John Dunlop was and what he invented. The children have been using a place value chart to complete addition calculations in Maths. In English, the children have been describing different dragons using effective adjectives.

In Year 3 we have been constructing our Stone Age necklaces and have been placing historical events on a timeline. In Maths, we have been interpreting bar charts and creating our own! In English, we have been building sentences based on the text "The Stone Age Boy".

In Year 4 we have started our new book in English and have been looking at the features of a diary entry. In Maths, we have been using column method and bar models to solve addition and subtraction word problems and we have also started our Roman topic, learning about how and why the Romans came to Britain.

In Year 5 we have had a busy start to the half term. We have been creating a river-based collage in art and learning about flow of a river in our Geography lessons. We have begun reading "Shackleton's Journey" for our English lessons and based our writing on that. In Maths we have been looking at timetables, focusing on multiples and factors. The children are excited to be starting swimming next week!

In Year 6 we have continued to learn about Natural Disasters, with a particular focus on volcanoes. We had a fabulous WOW Day where we made models of volcanoes and then created chemical reactions to bring the eruptions to life! In English we are working on diary entries, using a vast range of emotive language and technical features. In Maths we are revisiting fractions and enjoying using concrete resources to help us understand. In PSHE we have been celebrating differences and exploring the idea of "normality". As always, action-packed learning within Year 6!

Ever wondered what Years 3-6 learn in their **Modern Foreign Language** lessons? Click [here](#) to find out!

Key Term Dates Autumn Term 2022

November 2022

11th – “Teams4U Shoeboxes” to be handed in to school

Week beginning 14th – Y5 swimming

16th– Jaguar Class Assembly

18th – Children in Need (Information above)

23rd– Elephant Class Assembly

25th – Flu vaccines for Rec-Y6

30th –Fox Class Assembly

December 2022

1st – Year group Christmas Card boxes open

2nd– Christmas Fair 4pm–6pm

Week beginning 5th – Nursery Christmas performance (more information to follow)

8th – House Day (wearing an item of clothing with the colour of your house on)

9th – Y4 Carols around the tree, 2:30pm

12th - Year group Christmas Card boxes close

12th – Y3 Carols around the tree, 2:30pm

13th – FS Christmas performance, 9:15am

13th – Y2 Christmas Performance, 2:15pm

14th – Y1 Christmas Performance, 9:15am

14th – Y5 Carols around the tree, 2:30pm

14th – EYFS, Y1 and Y2 Christmas Dinner (and to wear their Christmas Jumpers - optional)

15th – Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 Christmas Dinner (and to wear their Christmas Jumpers - optional)

15th – Y6 Carols around the tree, 2:30pm

15th – Nursery Christmas Party

16th – Panto in school

16th – Class parties

16th – Autumn term ends

Key Term Dates 2023

January 2023

3rd – Teacher Training Day – closed to children

4th – School re-opens to all pupils

18th – Y4 Giraffe Class Assembly

19th – Vision Screen for Reception Children

25th – Y5 Hedgehog Class Assembly

February 2023

1st – Y2 Shark Class Assembly

8th – Y1 Starfish Class Assembly

10th – House Day (wearing an item of clothing with the colour of your house on)

15th – Y3 Tiger Class Assembly

20th-24th – February half term holiday

March 2023

8th – Y6 Squirrel Class Assembly

15th – Y3 Snow Leopard Class Assembly

22nd – Y2 Octopus Class Assembly

28th – House Day (wearing an item of clothing with the colour of your house on)

31st – Last day of school before Easter Holidays

April 2023

3rd-14th – Easter Holiday

17th – school re-opens to all pupils

26th – Y5 Woodpecker Class Assembly

May 2023

1st – May Day, Public Holiday

3rd – Y1 Seahorse Class Assembly

12th – House Day (wearing an item of clothing with the colour of your house on)

17th – Y4 Zebra Class Assembly

24th – YR Butterfly Class Assembly

26th – Training Day – CHANGE OF DATE FROM 4th JULY

29thMay-2nd June – May Half Term

June 2023

14th – Rec Ladybird Class Assembly

21st – Rec Bumble Bee Class Assembly

July 2023

5th – Y7 induction (some schools may offer x2 induction days)

18th – House Day (wearing an item of clothing with the colour of your house on)

25th – Last Day of term! School closes at 3pm. No after school clubs running on this day.