



# Long Lawford Primary School

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## Newsletter

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## Our Learning Powers

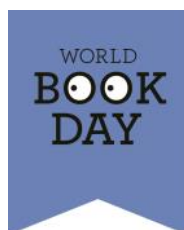
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Welcome to the first newsletter of this half term. The children have settled back into their learning well and are excited about their new topics. We don't have a whole school topic this half term, and you will see from your child's class newsletter that each year group has a different topic. Please ask your child's class teacher if you have any questions about your child's learning - they are happy to help!

This week, we launched a new school video, composed by The Strive Group. I hope you have had chance to watch it and to listen to what the children say and think about our school. I am very proud of our children, and know that you are too. They certainly know and show the 3Rs and LLPS values! They are clearly proud of their school.

Over the coming weeks, we will be sharing more curriculum videos and updating our school website following feedback from our school community. I am looking forward to sharing with you the updates and changes when they are ready.

Finally - thank you to all of our parents and carers for supporting us with World Book Day! Through your donations, we raised over £100!! which we will put towards new books for the children.



### Science Spot

Next week is British Science Week and the theme is 'Connections'.

Mr Sutcliffe would like you to create a poster about connections in Science. You could talk about the human body, the food chain or anything else you can think of - do some research and see what you can find out!

Bring your completed posters to Mr Sutcliffe in Owl class for a prize!



The national primary school attendance figure is 96%. I hope you will support us in achieving this figure. Regular school attendance is very important.

Long Lawford Primary Schools attendance figure for the last 2 weeks is :

93.5%



**Our staff interview this week has been with Mrs Arrow!!**

**Mrs Arrow has been with us since 2012 and provides some valuable 1:1 support to some of our pupils. Lets take a look at what Mrs Arrow enjoys doing in her spare time!!**



**1. What made you decide to become a TA?** I'd stopped working to look after my own young children, enjoyed helping out with school trips/ swimming, and was encouraged to apply for a 1:1 TA role by another TA at the school. Thanks Mrs Beaver!

**2. What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?** Sport (mainly basketball and swimming), walking in the countryside, then knitting when I've worn myself out

**3. If you could choose a different job, what would it be?** My dream job would be 'dog stroker' but my ideal real life job would be 'maths editor'.

**4. What would be your favourite holiday destination and why?** Anywhere warm (but not too hot), where I could walk in the mountains to see amazing scenery then swim in the clear sea (away from sharks and jellyfish).



# Look at what we have been doing



In Nursery we have been reading Jack and the Beanstalk. We are making beanstalks with cubes and talking about how big or small they are. We also painted a cardboard castle and made a beanstalk and clouds to make it look just like the one in the story. We made our own masks and used them to re-tell the story in the castle.

In reception we have started our 'Blooming Marvellous' topic! We have been reading the story of Handa Surprise. We will be looking at the fruit and where they come from.  
In maths we are learning about 2d and 3d shapes. We will be adding and taking away.

Year 1 have been working hard this week. We have been looking at finding a half and a quarter in maths. In English, we have been writing missing posters for a toy that has gone missing from our story 'Lost in the Toy museum. Through our topic work, we have learnt all about Florence Nightingale and how she transformed hospitals and saved many lives.

In Year 2, we've started our new topic 'Indian Spice'. We've located India on a map and found out about different landmarks in India. We've been reading a story called 'The Runaway Chapati' and have started writing our own versions called 'The Runaway Samosa', where a samosa has to run away from different animals trying to eat it! In maths, we've started to learn about time and have been practising telling the time.

In Year 3 this week in English, we have been writing about the events of chapter 1 of our book (There's a Pharaoh in Our Bath!) using adverbs to make it more exciting. In maths, we have been using dienes equipment and partitioning to multiply 2-digit numbers by 3, 4 or 5. In Science, we have been investigating Ancient Egyptian skeletons, looking at how the length of bones can indicate the age of the person. This week, we launched our Ancient Egypt topic with three WOW lessons! We learnt about hieroglyphics and created name cartouches using these, created a timeline of when the Ancient Egyptians lived and asked historical questions after looking at artefacts from Ancient Egypt.

This week, year 4 have been enjoying starting a new book 'Winter of the Wolves' and writing a description of the main character Oslaf walking through the marshland. Elephants and half of giraffes have enjoyed their first week of swimming and Zebras and the other half of giraffes have enjoyed painting their Anglo-Saxon brooches we started on WOW day and conducting a science investigation into the changing states of solids, liquids and gases in science!

Year 5 have begun looking at their new book based on the Vikings - 'Beowulf' by Michael Morpurgo. We have been making predictions based on the cover and blurb, and this week we're looking for a hero to come and save our town from the evil Grendel! In Maths we've been continuing with fractions, learning how to find fractions of amounts and to multiply mixed numbers by integers (the children will explain!) We have been looking at historical artefacts in History and our Science has been about Isaac Newton.

In Year 6 we have been revising electricity in Science. This has included making complex circuits, producing light and sound. In English, we have continued to study the character of Odysseus - the Ancient Greek King. We have enjoyed making Greek pottery, using our DT/Art/History skills. Another amazing week of learning!

### Sickness bugs

We have seen an increase in sickness bugs over the past week. Please remember, that all children that have a sickness bug must stay home for 48 hours from the last time they was sick.

This helps to limit the spread of the bug within students and staff.

Thank you



### Parking

If your child is already walking, cycling, scooting or using public transport to get to school then great! However, we do appreciate that there are times when it is completely unavoidable and you need to drive your child/children to the school – perhaps the weather is bad, you need to get to an urgent appointment etc. We have a listed a few ideas that you may find useful whilst considering your journey to bring your child/children to school:

**Park & Stride:** Save yourself the hassle of trying to negotiate the busy school gates! Arrange a “drop off” or “pick up” zone with your children. This doesn’t have to be miles away from school – it could be a quieter road nearby or even a local shop.

**Put your mind at ease:** If you have safety concerns about your child walking or cycling to school on their own, then you can compromise that you will walk with them all or part of the way. This way you can lead by example. It also gives you the opportunity to talk through those worries that you have with your child/children– you never know they might even surprise you with what they already know...?!

**Car Share:** This option can be a really good solution for combatting congestion and the issue of responsible parking around schools. With more children travelling to school in less cars, there could be up to 3 cars less on the road for every “car share”. Your children also get a good chat before school starts and you know that they have all got to school together on time.

Please park considerately for our neighbours and village community.



### Communication

All of our communication to parents/carers is sent out via text or email. Please ensure we have your most up to date details on the system.

Thank you



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### Food Hampers

We are extremely fortunate to be working with a local member of the community to help provide free food hampers to our families. Please contact us if you feel this is something that would help you and your family.

This will be dealt with the upmost discretion. Please email [admin2405@welearn365.com](mailto:admin2405@welearn365.com) alternatively, call us on **01788 543332**

**Key Term Dates 2023—New dates will be added in Red**

**15th**—Snow leopards Class Assembly

**17th**– Red Nose Day

**22nd**—Octopus Class Assembly

**28<sup>th</sup>** - House Day (wearing an item of clothing with the colour of your house on)

**31st**—Easter Eggstravaganva

**April 2023**

**3rd-14th**—Easter Holiday

**25th**—Snow Leopards Assembly

**26th**—Woodpecker Class Assembly

**27th**-Class Photos

**28th**—Pizza Night—Details to follow!!

**May 2023**

**1st**—May Day, Public Bank Holiday

**3rd**—Seahorse Class Assembly

**12<sup>th</sup>** - House Day (wearing an item of clothing with the colour of your house on)

**17th**—Zebra Class Assembly

24th—Butterfly Class Assembly

**26th**—Training Day

**29<sup>th</sup> May-2nd June**—May Half Term

**June 2023**

**14th**—Ladybird Class Assembly

**21st**—Bumble Bee Class Assembly

**29th**—Rags2Riches Collection

**July 2023**

**5th**—Y7 Induction Day

**18<sup>th</sup>** - House Day (wearing an item of clothing with the colour of your house on)

**25th**—Last Day of Term! School closes at 3pm



## FRIENDS OF LONG LAWFORD SCHOOL (AKA 'FOLLS')



**DID YOU KNOW THAT WITHOUT THE FUNDS RAISED BY FOLLS, CHRISTMAS PANTOS, THE BOOK BAGS, LEAVERS PARTIES AND TRIPS MIGHT NOT BE POSSIBLE?**

We would love for you and your children to play a role in the FOLLS fundraising community! Whether it is through joining us at our events, volunteering or making a donation, all contributions would be gratefully received!

### What is 'FOLLS'?

FOLLS (Friends of Long Lawford School) is the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) - an organisation of parents and staff.

FOLLS is a group of parents that work together to support the school by raising funds for those lovely book bags that all of our little ones received when they joined Long Lawford school (yes! they were facilitated by FOLLS funding!). We also raise funds to enable the school's Christmas Panto, the Year 6 Leaver's Party, school trips and more.

This year, we're hoping to raise a minimum of £4000 which will ensure that **ALL** of these things can happen (when you break it down, that figure works out to less than £8 per child!!)

### Watch this space for new ways to donate to FOLLS!

If you would like to get involved in supporting us in future fundraising events for the children of Long Lawford Primary School or if you have any suggestions to help us reach our target, please email us at [longlawfordpta@gmail.com](mailto:longlawfordpta@gmail.com)



Please like and support our 'Friends of Long Lawford' Facebook page for more information about our fundraising events.

Huge thanks, from the whole FOLLS Committee

### New Menus

The new lunch menus will begin from Monday 13th March. They will begin on week 1. New menus have been emailed out and they are on the school website.

There is a small price increase for school lunches from April 1st. They will go from £2.40 to £2.42. [Lunch Menus](#)