

Longman's Hill Community Primary School Newsletter



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Happy New Year

Happy New Year to all of you. I hope that you all managed to have a peaceful and relaxing break with your children. We have had a fantastic start to the Spring term. We welcome a new member of staff, Mrs Nicholson, into FS2. I am sure she will be made very welcome by children and staff.

All of the children are looking very smart in their uniforms so thank you for supporting our drive to improve standards by ensuring your child is appropriately dressed.

We have a busy and exciting term ahead which we are looking forward to. If the children maintain the positive attitudes they have started the year with, we are sure to have a wonderful time.

Arrangements in the event of a short notice school closure due to bad weather

The British weather has been fairly kind to us so far in this area, apart from the dreadful flooding which has been devastating for some. Although temperatures have been mild for the time of the year, there are some warnings of a cold snap. We have not had to close the school due to snow for quite a few years but I feel it is important to inform you of the arrangements in the event that school does have to close at short notice for any reason.

If the decision is made to close school prior to the start of the school day, parents will be informed via text message as soon as possible. We will also put alerts out via BBC Radio York (103.7FM)

If school ever has to be closed, or partially closed, during the school day parents will be contacted via text message and then by phone if children are not collected.

All children would be fully supervised by staff until handed over to parents or carers.

It is vitally important that the school office has an up to date text number and also at least two phone numbers on which we can contact either yourself or another responsible adult you have nominated, in the event of an emergency.

Family Service @ St. Wilf's!

Come and join us this **Sunday 17th Jan** at 10.30am

Parking

Parents are continuing to park ON THE PAVEMENT in front of school. This is extremely dangerous and I would politely request that you refrain from doing so. Parking on the pavement is forcing children and parents with prams etc out onto the road. As you will appreciate, both Myrtle Ave and Parkways are VERY busy at this time of the day and we have children walking out into the road in front of moving vehicles, to get around cars on the pavement. I have requested that parents park considerately on several occasions. I am concerned that one day there will be a serious or even fatal accident at the front of school. Let's prevent this please. Grabbing an easy car parking spot is NOT worth a child's life.

Request for help

We are desperate for regular help from parents and carers to hear children read in school. If any of you are able to give one afternoon a week to come and hear children read in school it would be much appreciated. If you can, please speak to your child's class teacher - you do not necessarily need to work in your own child's class, and we need extra support in most classes. The classes which have Forest School would also welcome any extra help so if you like being outdoors, here is a chance to get involved! All volunteers need to have a DBS check done but this is an online form which is completed and is not onerous. Mrs Richardson or Mrs Crawford in the office will be able to help you with this. I cannot over emphasise how important and valuable this kind of help would be in school. Thank you in advance!

Litter Pick in Brayton - info from Brayton Parish Council

Brayton Parish Council are organising a litter pick around Brayton and are looking for volunteers who would like to help. Adults and children are all welcome.

The first litter pick takes place on Saturday 16th January at 10am - meet on the village green

If you require further information, contact Joanne Jennings on 07709975300 or e mail braytonpc@aol.com.

Many thanks.

CONGRATULATIONS to the swimmers who represented school at the gala this week. They swam their hearts out and we came 3rd out of 8 schools. Well deserved!

Dates for Your Diary- Spring term

Wednesday 20th January - Y6 SATs info evening for parents- IMPORTANT TO ATTEND IF POSSIBLE 6pm

Thursday 11th February- School discos after school run by PTA- more info will follow nearer the time

12th February - end for half term

22nd February- term resumes

Thursday 3rd March - World Book day

Tuesday 8th March - 2.30pm - Phonics screening check info for parents of Y1 pupils only

Wednesday 9th March - Japan enrichment day for Y3 and Y4

Wednesday 16th March - Class photos

Friday 18th March- Sport relief

Monday 21st March & Tuesday 22nd March - parents' evenings

Thursday 24th March - last day of spring term before Easter break

