

Longman's Hill Community Primary School Newsletter



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I would like to extend a warm welcome to parents and children as we begin the new school year at Longman's Hill, including of course all of our new starters in EYFS and some children who have joined us in other year groups across school. We have reached the end of our first fortnight of the Autumn term and all of the children have settled in well and are back into the routines of daily school life. They all looked incredibly smart in their school uniforms on the first day of term. Thank you for supporting the school with our uniform policy. If you are unsure about the uniform policy, it can be viewed in the school prospectus which is available on the school website. This term, we welcome some new staff to school. Mr Sylvester has joined the team to teach Y3 and Mrs Gent will be teaching Y2 every morning; she is also the Deputy Headteacher, covering Miss Nicholson during her maternity leave. I'm sure they will enjoy working at our school and supporting your children in their learning journey.

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Gash who has been the TA in Y4 for the last two years. We wish her well as she moves onto a new challenge.

We operate an open door policy here so if you have any concerns and would like to speak to a member of staff, please do come and see them. To avoid delays at the start of the school teaching day, we do request that parents pop to see teachers at the END of the day rather than the beginning. However, for urgent messages you can always call into the school office and Mrs Richardson or Mrs Crawford will more than happy to help. I am usually out and about on the school grounds every morning too if you would like to come and chat or you can arrange an appointment by ringing the school office.

All of the Longman's Hill team look forward to working in partnership with you during the year.

Congratulations

During the Summer holiday, Miss Nicholson had her baby; a little girl. Both are doing well and I am sure you will join with us in sending her your best wishes.

Data Information Sheets

Before the end of the Summer term, every family was sent a data information sheet to ensure that the details we have for you and your child/ren are correct. We still have some outstanding forms. It is essential that the information we hold for you and your child is correct so that we have the correct contact details in case of an emergency. Please ensure your sheet is returned promptly to the office if you have not already done so.

Red Box Project - donations needed.

We received a letter this week from Nigel Adams MP for Selby and Ainsty, asking whether our school could get involved in collecting donations for this charity. The Red Box Project is an initiative that quietly ensures that no young woman misses out on her education because of her period. They are 100% community driven and run by individuals across the UK. They place constantly stocked Red Boxes of sanitary wear in schools for young women to access, aiming to reach those who may not be able to afford these vital items. A lady named Rebecca Harland runs this initiative in our local area and provides these red boxes, upon request, to both secondary and primary schools. We will be collecting items for her red boxes during October; if you would like to donate any of the following items please send them to the school office during October: tampons (not placed in primary school red boxes), sanitary pads, wet wipes, new pairs of knickers. Rebecca will then collect these to re-stock her red boxes. Many thanks.

Nut Free School- Reminder

I would like to remind parents / carers that Longman's Hill is a **nut free school**. The reason for this is that we have 5 children in school with severe allergies to nuts. The children in question are allergic to a variety of nuts. We appreciate that asking parents to send 'nut free' packed lunches can be problematic for some. We therefore thought it might be useful to give you some more information about the most common nuts which may cause anaphylaxis and the type of 'pack up' products they may be found in.

The following are common nuts which may be an issue:

Walnuts , hazelnuts, almonds, pecans, brazil nuts, pine nuts, macadamia nuts, cashew nuts, coconut and peanuts.

This list is not exhaustive.

Nuts are often hidden in food products. Here are some which you may not expect and may have been putting in your child's packed lunch:

Chocolate spread (not just Nutella), bakewell tarts, battenburg cake, any sweet products containing marzipan, BBQ sauce, some cereal bars, seeded bread, seeded crackerbreads, fruit cakes, mince pies, Xmas cake.

The parents of the children affected, and we as a school, appreciate your support and vigilance when making a pack up for your child but accept it can be quite a minefield! We hope this information helps. Our aim is to protect ALL of our children in school; those with the allergies from a severe allergic reaction but also other children from seeing their friends going into anaphylactic shock, which can be very distressing to witness. Many thanks for all of your support.

Fit4Fun Changes

Sadly during the Summer break, Jack, our Fit4Fun sports coach, decided to resign his post and have a complete career change. We wish him well. We therefore welcome a new coach, Jez, to our team. Jez has already worked with all of the children across school now and has settled quickly. The children certainly appear to be enjoying their PE sessions just as much as last year!

pick and mix kids

out of school club

PLACES AVAILABLE FOR CHILDCARE, BOTH BEFORE (7:30 AM - 9:00 AM) AND AFTER SCHOOL (3:00 PM - 6:00 PM).
LOCATED AT ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
ALL WELCOME TO COME VISIT US AT THE CLUB TO HAVE A LOOK AROUND
OR
CALL US ON 07880 938649
OR
EMAIL US AT
PICKANDMIXKIDS@HOTMAIL.COM

Selby in Bloom

Congratulation to Alfie Rowley and Harvey Leafe who were two of the winners of the Selby in Bloom Painting Competition, organized by Selby Town Council.

All of the winning paintings have been on display in the Giant Bellflower pub in Selby and Alfie and Harvey attended the official presentation of prizes this week.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Once again we have organized a coffee morning to raise funds for this charity. You are invited to join us for coffee and cakes in school on **28th September at 9.15am**. Please come and join us after you have dropped off your children - the more the merrier! If you are able to help by either sending in some cakes, buns or biscuits OR helping to set up / serve at the coffee morning, please speak with staff in the office. Baked goods can be sent in to school on the morning of 28th September.

Children may also bring a donation for the charity and they will receive a drink and biscuit during their morning break.

We look forward to seeing you all there.

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Uniform

All of the children have returned to school looking extremely smart in their new uniforms.

Please ensure that all items of uniform are named. Footwear should be plain black or brown. We do allow PLAIN black trainers but do not allow trainers with logos, bright soles, laces or logos. Children arriving with inappropriate footwear will be given black pumps to wear until they have the correct school shoes.

School uniform can be purchased online- details can be obtained from the school office and there is a link from our school website.

Can I also remind parents that earrings must be **removed** for PE? We do not allow children to cover earrings with plasters, in line with NYCC policy. Unfortunately, we have several children who have returned to school with newly pierced ears; this presents a problem as PE is a statutory element of the National Curriculum and children are not permitted to miss PE for weeks on end unless there is a medical issue. Additionally, just a reminder that for safety reasons children can only participate in outdoor PE if wearing **trainers**.

Medical Policy

Our school medical policy is available to view / download on the website. However, please be aware that staff in school are only allowed to administer medicine which has been prescribed by a doctor and which has the appropriate named label / dosage attached. A form must be completed by a parent at the school office.

All staff are first aid trained, with some having the paediatric first aid certificate. All staff have had up to date anaphylaxis training. Cuts or grazes, where the wound is open, will always be cleaned with tap water and covered with hypoallergenic plasters, as advised on the first aid course. This is to prevent any infection in a busy, non-sterile school environment.

Come and enjoy St Wilf's FAMILY SERVICE!

This Sunday 16th Sept 10.30am!

We'd love to see you 😊

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Dates for your diary

Once again we have put key dates for the entire school year on the school website. These can be found under the 'News/ Events & Recruitment' tab, 'Term dates'. We will endeavor to stick to the dates listed although from time to time we have to make changes due to unforeseen circumstances. We will always inform parents of any changes at the earliest opportunity. Hard copies of these dates are available in the front entrance of school if required.

Upcoming events

17/9/18-21/9/18 Y6 Residential to East Barnby

26/9/18-28/9/18- Y5 Residential to Robinwood

27/9/18 - Y4 to Rugby Mega festival

28/9/18- MacMillan coffee morning 9.15am

Sat 29/9/18-Brayton Academy Open Morning for Year 6, 10.00-12.30

Mon 1/10/18-Selby High School Open Evening for Year 6, 6.30-9.00

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