

# Longman's Hill Community Primary School Newsletter



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## **Junk Modelling request**

After the half term (first week back), KS1 are doing a science project which requires junk modelling materials. If you are able to send in any empty food packets/ boxes or clean tubs/ cartons it would be appreciated. Please do not send anything which has stored nut based products. Many thanks.

## **Social Media**

We have an increasing number of parents approaching school asking us to deal with issues linked to children's use of social media accounts outside of school. Whilst we teach children about their responsibilities around internet use, it is not the role of the school to intervene in cases where fall outs occur online between individuals and groups of children as a result of their use of social media. The guidance for social media accounts in the UK is clear; children should be at least 13 years of age. This is because companies cannot legally hold / store data for individuals under 13 (although setting up accounts and ticking to say they are older than they are will negate this). Also children are less likely to have the emotional skills required under 13 to deal with issues that arise from social media use. Additionally, if children aged 9 or 10 set up accounts to say they are 13, by the time they are 14 they are being bombarded with ads and links to other sites which are full of adult content. In cases where parents allow children to create accounts under this age, it is the parents' responsibility to deal with any issues which arise. Once again, we would urge parents to ensure their children are accessing appropriate materials online and if using social media, to do so in a responsible and appropriate manner.

## **WEAR IT RED DAY- Thank you**

Thank you to everyone who helped to make our Wear It Red day such a success. We raised over £230 which we will send to the Children's Heart Surgery fund in Leeds. We were raising money after Eve in Y3 wrote to ask if we could join the fundraising campaign; Eve's baby brother was born 7 months ago but so far has been unable to come home from hospital due to multiple heart surgeries. We hear that his latest surgery, just last week, went well and hopefully baby Jude will come home soon.

## **School Council Book Sale**

Well done to the school council for raising £81.85 with a second hand book sale. Thanks also to Mrs Kenny who runs the school council, for supporting children in their efforts.

### Volunteers Needed!

Do you have some spare time on your hands each week? Do you enjoy coming in to school? Do you like children? ☺ If the answer is yes, then we need you! We are looking for some volunteers to come and hear children read in Early Years in school. You do not need to be a parent of a child in Early Years but a DBS check will be carried out by school. If you are able and willing to offer an hour or so each week to hear our little ones read, then please call into the school office and speak with Mrs Richardson. Thank you.

### Church Service

**Family Service @ St. Wilf's!** Come and join us this **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February** at 10.30am. Look forward to welcoming you there. Rev Pete  
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### Bags2School!

Thanks to your efforts 'spring cleaning' in wardrobes and cupboards, we collected a mountain of clothing and soft toys for bags2school and raised £104.80 in the process. Fantastic!

### World Book Day- 1<sup>st</sup> March

On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March, we will be celebrating World Book Day. As this year's theme is 'share a story', we would like the children to bring in their favorite book to share with the class. The children may come dressed as a book character but if they choose not to, we ask they come in normal school uniform. The children will also be having a story shared with them by a different class teacher in our 'teacher book swap' event along with other book-related activities. You will be receiving a World Book Day leaflet to encourage you to get involved with sharing books at home, too!

### Dates for your diary

#### Upcoming events

- 12/2/18 - 16/2/18 - HALF TERM
- 19/2/18 - Children return to school after half term break
- 1/3/18- World Book Day- details above
- 7/3/18- Phonic workshop for parents of children in Y1 regarding national test 2.30pm
- 15/3/18- Class photos
- 19/3/18 - Parents' evening (3.30-5.30pm) **Year 2 only**
- 20/3/18 - Parents' evening (3.30- 5.30pm)
- 22/3/18 - Parents' evening (4-6.30pm) **Not Year 2**
- 22/3/18- Cross country finals at Dalby Forest
- 23/3/18- Comic Relief- details will follow
- 29/3/18- Easter Lunch at school and last day of term
- 30/3/18- 16/4/18 Easter holiday
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April- Children return to school following Easter break

**POLITE REMINDER: LONGMAN'S HILL IS A NUT FREE SCHOOL**

