

Longman's Hill Community Primary School Newsletter



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Staffing Update

Mrs Thoelen enjoyed her last week of being at our school before leaving yesterday on maternity leave. Her baby is due in just two weeks so we wish her well and will of course let you know when we have news! Mrs Hartley will be teaching Y2 on Mrs Thoelen's four afternoons until May half term after which time Miss Thorpe will teach Y2 in the afternoons, when she returns from her maternity leave.

We have now interviewed for a teacher / interim deputy head to cover for Miss Nicholson when she takes maternity leave next academic year. I am delighted to announce that Mrs Gent will be returning to Longman's Hill from Brayton Primary; she will teach in Y2 and will be the deputy head until Miss Nicholson's return. Many of you will remember Mrs Gent who taught in Y2 at our school last year; I am sure you will join us in giving her a warm welcome in September.

Sport Relief- Friday 23rd March - REMINDER

All of the children have now brought home a more detailed letter regarding our plans for a sponsored 'squat-athon' at the school next Friday. Any sponsor money should be brought to school in a named envelope. Many thanks.

YORK PI JAM Event

We have been asked to let parents and carers know about the following upcoming event which may be of interest to you:

"Come to York Pi Jam, to learn about the Raspberry Pi and to learn some basic code. Beginners welcome. 24th March. 12-2.30pm at Robert Wilkinson Primary Academy, West End, Strensall, York. We will have workshops on Scratch, which is a basic Raspberry Pi programming language. We also will have information of projects people have done with the Pi. Every attendee will get a free goody bag!

Free Tickets: www.bit.ly/yorkpijamtickets

Family Easter Fun- A note from Rev Pete

Come and join us for a morning of Easter crafts and activities.

When: Friday 30th March (Good Friday)

From: 10am -12am

Where: St Wilfrid's Church, Brayton

Cost: Free!

Everyone is Welcome



Activities include: treasure hunt around the churchyard; make your own Easter cards and crowns; make your own Easter garden; scratch art eggs; seed planting; Easter baskets; a short fun service with Rev Pete in the middle of the morning and much more.

ALSO - Family Service @ St. Wilf's! Come and join us this **Sunday 18th March** at 10.30am, Breakfast from 9.45am!

Design a Banner competition for the School Games

North Yorkshire Sport and The Education Network launched an exciting competition last month that is open to all primary school children in the area and so far we have only received a few entries for our school. If your design is picked as the winner, as well having your banner feature at the School Games you will win a banner to display at our school and you could be in with winning a kindle fire or a VIP ticket to the School Games. Remember, your design should represent both what the School Games means to you, what your area means to you, the name of your School Games area (Selby), the North Yorkshire Sport logo and The Education Network logo.

If you need another entry form and banner template please ask at the office.

Search for Local Artists!

Do you know any local artists who would be willing to come and run some workshops with classes in school? Miss Dowell has been searching for quite some time to get the contact details for anyone local but so far has been unsuccessful. If you know anyone who may be interested in coming in to run some workshops in school, please contact the school. Many thanks.

Information regarding Y6 students heading to Brayton High

By now all of our Y6 pupils know which schools they are attending from September 18. If your child is going to Brayton Academy, please note that their last day at Longman's Hill will be Friday 29th June as these children start high school on 2nd July, three weeks before the end of the school term. Any further information regarding the details for this will be sent out by the high school.

Universal free School Meals and applications for free school meals- reminder

All parents have been sent an important letter regarding applications for free school meals. Even if your child is in KS1 or Early Years, and so currently receives a free school meal as part of the Universal Free School Meals scheme, you should still apply for free school meals for your child if you think you may be eligible. From 1 April 2018, the government are introducing a net Universal Credit earning threshold of £7,400 per year for free school meal eligibility which means that some families who are eligible now would not be if they apply after 1 April.

It is important that you apply now as all children assessed as eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) by 1 April 2018 will continue to be eligible until at least 2022, while Universal Credit

is rolled out across the country. There would also be no need for any further FSM eligibility checks as well. To make sure that you don't miss out please apply now and before the 1st April.

Forms are available from the school office, on line at <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals> or by contacting the Admissions, Transport and Welfare Team on the details above.

Dates for your diary

Upcoming events

20/3/18 (3.30- 5.30pm) and 22/3/18 (4-6.30pm) - parents' evenings (Y2 on 19/3 and 20/3 instead)

22/3/18- Cross country finals at Dalby Forest

23/3/18- Sport Relief

29/3/18- Easter Lunch at school and last day of term

30/3/18- 16/4/18 Easter holiday

Tuesday 17th April- Children return to school following Easter break

3rd and 4th May- Y4 residential to York

7/5/18- Bank Holiday. School closed

WB 14/5/18 - KS2 SATS week

17/5/18- Afternoon- Stay and Create event. Parents welcome to come and get crafty in school!

18/5/18 Y3 and Y4 to visit Buddhist Meditation Centre

21/5/18 Y6 trip to Sheffield University

21/5/18 - EYFS, Y1 and Y2 to visit Buddhist Meditation Centre

22/5/18 - Y5/6 to visit Buddhist Meditation Centre

28/5 to 1/6 - half term holiday

4/6/18 - children back at school following half term

7/6/18 - School Games Day (Sports day)

WB 11/6/18 - Y1 phonics screening check week

19/6/18 - Y6 Leavers' assembly, Y6 Leavers lunch and Leavers' disco 4-6pm

21/6/18- reserve sports day

22/6/18- School Summer Fayre 3.30pm-5.00pm

28/6/18 - Y6 pupils attending Brayton Academy transition day

2/7/18- Y6 pupils start at Brayton Academy

4/7/18 Parents Evening for new EYFS starters 6pm

10/7/18 Y6 pupils attending Selby High and Barlby High transition day

12/7/18 Selby High parents meeting 7pm for new starters

16/7/18 Open Evening 3.30-5.30

20/7/18 Last day of school term.

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

