

# Longman's Hill Community Primary School Newsletter



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## **School Photos**

The photographer will be in school to take whole class photos on 9<sup>th</sup> March. All children are included in the photograph, but there is no pressure to buy a class photo.

Due to GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations) we need to inform you that your child's photograph will be stored on the SD card & secure server of the photography company, Phototronics. This has always been the way Phototronics have stored this information, but due to GDPR you now need to contact the school office prior to the 9<sup>th</sup> March and let us know if you are not happy with this and therefore do not want your child to be included in the class photograph.

## **KS2 School Meal Ordering and Payments**

Recently, there have been issues for some families when attempting to order school meals on ParentPay. We have realised that ParentPay will delete a meal order in KS2, if there are no funds available in the ParentPay account.

Parents are correctly ordering their child's meal choice at the beginning of the week, but if there are not sufficient funds in the account to cover ALL the meals ordered, the system does not process the meal / order on the morning.

Whilst we appreciate that the cost of living is impacting families at the moment, meals can only be ordered if there are sufficient funds available to cover the cost of the meals. If you are experiencing difficulty covering the cost of meals, please contact us directly so that we can see what support can be offered. Thank you.

## **Safeguarding concern on Roblox**

We have been contacted about a safeguarding issue with the popular game Roblox. We know many of children play this game, even some of our youngest children. New rooms called 'Depression Rooms' have started to appear on the platform. When children enter, they are faced with content including self-harm and suicide. It is not appropriate to fully go into detail on this newsletter but parents can get the full details by visiting the following website (hover mouse over title and press CTRL key to click link):

[Roblox Depression Rooms Parents Information](#)

Or Google 'ineqe roblox depression rooms'

# A mile for me

**Challenge yourself to move a mile each day this month for both your mental and physical wellbeing!**

Scan the QR code to find out more, learn some top tips and see if there are any organised walks or activities you'd like to join.

Visit [inspiringhealthylifestyles.org](https://inspiringhealthylifestyles.org) or collect from Community House

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## Selby A Mile For Me

In March, Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles are running with a community project called A Mile for Me in partnership with Selby District AVS.

The idea is to promote everyone in the Selby District to move a mile each day during March - ideally outside for extra benefits but this could be walking, running, cycling, swimming or any other type of exercise - to promote your own mental and physical wellbeing.

We understand that this maybe easy for some people, and for those lucky people we ask that they aim to inspire 3 others to do the same - friends, family, colleagues or anyone really.

The flyer seen here includes all the basic information, and

access to an information page if you scan the QR code. For those that use social media, during March they will be giving 1 weekly prize of 3 months membership to our favourite photo taken whilst completing a daily mile using the #AMILEFORME.

There is absolutely no purchase required so is open to everyone who wants to do 'A Mile for Me' and we feel this is a great initiative for all ages.

### **Fundraiser for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust- thanks!**

Many thanks to everyone who supported our fundraising efforts for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust. We raised £245.05 which will go to this fantastic charity.

### **World Book Day**

Yesterday, we celebrated World Book Day with our children. Everyone dressed up as a book character and looked amazing! The purpose of this day is to celebrate the world of literature and encourage children to foster a love of books. Remember, children can access books in a number of ways from school including the borrowing of sharing books in EY and Y1, the Longman's Little Library (situated at the front of school near the office), our virtual libraries (accessed via the school website under the class tabs) and Reading Plus in KS2.

### **A Message from the Selby and District Foodbank!**

We have been successful in a grant application to the Trussell Trust and are delighted to welcome Alice from Citizens Advice. She will be at the foodbank every Monday and Friday from 10.00am to 1pm and can offer advice and support around financial issues such as benefits, housing, debt management and heating costs. She has not been with us for very long, but clients have already seen the positive benefits she can make to their circumstances.

Please know that this is NOT any kind of attempt to limit the support that the foodbank gives, but a genuine offer to help those whose difficulties are longer term.

We will look forward to working with families who need extra support.

Please can we also remind everyone that although we close at 1.00pm, it is helpful if you can arrive by 12.45pm so that we have time to process any requests and make sure that you have time to access any extras that we might be able to provide. Thank you.

### **A Polite Reminder about Nut products in Packed lunches**

Please can we remind everyone that we are a nut free school as we have some children in school with severe allergies to nuts. In the last few weeks, we have had to remove some items from pack-ups which contain nuts. One biscuit in particular contains nuts, but parents might not necessarily be aware of it!



These Pick-Up Biscuits contain hazelnuts so please refrain from sending them. Thank you.

### Community Book Mission in Selby

A new community book mission launched yesterday, Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, to coincide with World Book Day.

It has been organised by 'Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles' who say:

"We believe everyone should have access to free books and we would like to do what we can to help facilitate this. We have a book shelf in each of our Leisure Centres, Selby and Tadcaster and these will be filled with books for children and adults alike. These books will be free to take, with no need to donate a book to take a book, although all donations will be gratefully received. Everyone is welcome to bring a book, take a book, read a book. The bookshelves are located in the reception areas of the Leisure Centres and open to anyone within the community with no purchase of any service necessary to access.

Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles are a leisure operator who locally manage Selby and Tadcaster Leisure Centre's and a number of local outdoor spaces. We are a Charitable Trust. We are working together with Selby Hands of Hope on this project and if we receive an abundance of books, any we are unable to hold will be donated to Selby hands of hope."

So, if you, or your children, would like to take a book, bring a book or read book, head over to the Leisure Centre and check out the free books on offer!

### School Diary Dates- Spring Term 2023

The full year of diary dates is available on our school website. Go to 'News/Events/Recruitment' Term Dates' - 'school diary dates for parents 22/23'. See below for the first term of events. Some activities/ dates may be subject to change but we will always contact parents to inform you of any changes.

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| Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> March                           | Class Photographs  |
| Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> March                            | Y2 & Y3 Mosque visit                                     |
| Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> March                            | Red Nose Day- Comic Relief 2023- details nearer the time |
| WB 20 <sup>th</sup> March                             | Stay & Create - classes to confirm own date and time     |
| Tue 28 <sup>th</sup> and Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> March | Parents evenings (Tue 3.30-5.30pm / Thurs 4.00-6.30pm)   |
| Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> March                          | Easter Lunch (changed date)                              |
| Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> March                            | Last Day of Term   |
| 1/4/22- 17/4/22                                       | Easter Holidays  |
| Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> April                            | Training Day   |
| Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> April                           | Summer Term begins                                       |

