Longman's Hill Community Primary School Newsletter

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Healthy School Award

Once again, our school has been accredited with the Healthy Schools Award. This award recognises the work our school does to promote children's health, including their physical, mental and emotional health. We are very proud of this award. Many thanks to Mrs Thoelen, who collated all the evidence we had to submit for this award!



Selby Music Centre Activities

Selby Music Centre is launching some new groups this September on Saturday mornings at Barlby and Osgodby Methodist Church and we would like to invite your children to take part!

8.45 -9.30 Selby Music Makers - a fun group for ages 4 to 7 to develop general musical skills and introduce children to different musical instruments during the year to start them off on their musical journeys.

beginner violin group – 11.15 – 11.45 and beginner keyboards group - free taster sessions available and then a small fee payable after half term. This is an inexpensive way to explore learning an instrument and to get ready for "proper" lessons! Places are limited so please get in touch.

We also have availability in our other groups:

9.45 – 11.00 Beginners to grade 2 **guitar** and **ukulele** group, wind group (**woodwind** and **brass**), **strings** and **keyboards** group. **Theory** lessons – free to those already in a group.

11.15 – 12.30 Grade 2 and above **Senior Strings** and **flutes**, **folk/rock** group (guitars, keyboards, flutes, percussion), **Selby Youth Choir** (Y2 to Y9)

If you have a child who would be interested in a **pre-school music group** 8.45 – 9.30 on a Saturday, please let me know!

Selby Music Centre is part of the North Yorkshire Music Service

Contact: helen.moulds@northyorks.gov.uk northyorkshiremusichub.co.uk

Class Dojo

Thanks to everyone who has signed up to ClassDojo. Our launch to parents has gone really well and we have 100% of parents now on board, which is fantastic!

Moving forward, we will be starting to move away from the text message service and using ClassDojo instead, to keep you updated and message you, so make sure you're signed in to receive updates!

ClassDojo is completely free to school and parents; there is no requirement to sign up to the paid version unless you choose to.

We hope you are enjoying the new app! Please remember- staff cannot see/receive any messages from ClassDojo though, so please continue to use our usual communication channels- class email, phoning the school office, emailing the school office, jotting a note in a planner or speaking to staff in person. Urgent / highly important messages should always come straight to the office so they can be picked up quickly and passed on. Many thanks!

Macmillan Coffee Morning- REMINDER

Once again we will be supporting this fantastic charity by organising a coffee morning at school on Friday 26th September. The coffee morning will begin at 9.15am in the school hall. Please come along to support us! We would welcome donations of cakes, buns and cookies for this event. We will also be giving each child a bun for a voluntary donation of 50p to raise funds so donations of baked goods (no nuts please!) are most welcome. Baked goods can be dropped off at the office or brought to class in the morning. Thank you in advance for your support of this fantastic charity!

Fundraising at our school 25/26

Last academic year, thanks to your amazing support, we raised an incredible amount of money for school, all of which was spent on things to support your children's education. We bought a class set of ipads, a class set of laptops, new interactive teaching boards and also sent every class on a trip or a visit, free of charge.

This year, we want to continue to raise funds, with your help!

Here is a preview of what is coming up:

- Break the rules day 1- 23/10/25
- Halloween Discos- 22/10/25 (KS1 3.20-4.20pm KS2 4.30-5.30pm)
- Children in Need- 14/11/25
- Christmas Fair- 5/12/25 (3.30-5pm)
- Valentine's Disco 12/02/26 (KS1 3.20-4.20pm KS2 4.30-5.30pm)
- Break the Rules Day 2- 26/03/26
- Y2-4 Movie Night- 13/05/26 (4.30-6.15pm)
- Silver Race- start collecting all your silver coin change for this event!- 7/05/26
- Skip-a-thon sponsored event- 11/06/26
- Y6 Leavers' Disco (Y5 are also invited to this event)- 15/07/26 (4-5.30pm)
- Summer Fair- 03/07/26 (3.30-5pm)

· Frozen Fridays- iced-lollies will be on sale after school (starting on Sports Day, which is a Thursday, and then Fridays after school until end of term)

· Monday Bundays- each class will bring baked goods to sell after school so please help us by donating cakes, cookies and biscuits (no nuts please) and/ or coming along to buy:

Year 6- 12/01/26
Year 5- 2/02/26
Year 4- 2/03/26
Year 3- 20/04/24
Year 2- 18/05/26
Year 1- 8/06/26
EYFS - 6/07/26

This year we are also going to trial a **pre-loved children's clothing sale**, so save the date -THURSDAY MARCH 12th! There will be more details nearer the time, but please start saving any children's clothes, in good, clean condition, to donate to us to sell! We will be happy to accept donations of children's clothes (including baby clothes) to sell at this event.

Please keep hold of them at home as we do not have anywhere to store items until the week of the sale. We really hope you'll support this fundraising event by donating items and then coming along to buy things too! We think this is a great way to raise much-needed funds for school, whilst also saving the environment.

Easy Fund Raising

Longman's Hill Community Primary School is also registered with Easyfundraising, which means over 7,500 brands will now donate to us for FREE every time you use easyfundraising to shop with them. These donations will help SO MUCH, so please sign up to support us, if you have not already done so – it's completely FREE and doesn't take long. Sign up using the QR code.

School only gets to see the donated amounts- NO information is passed to school about which retailers you have shopped at. It is just so easy to do, and by setting the 'donation reminder' on your phone, it will automatically alert you if you visit a retailer that donates cash. I joined the scheme last year and I have raised just over £180 for school in a year; the things I have bought have not cost me any extra- it is the retailer that makes the charitable donation. This is literally FREE cash for our school. Imagine how much we could raise if every family signed up and raised just £30 per year- with approx. 150 families, that would be £4500 a year to school! Please help by signing up, and encouraging friends and family too as well!

School Diary Dates- Autumn Term 2025

Whilst we endeavor to adhere to these dates, there may be occasion when dates change due to unforeseen circumstances, but we will attempt to inform you in good time.

The dates for the whole academic year 25/26 can be found on the school website - https://www.longmanshill.co.uk/news-events-recruitment/term-dates/

Mon 1st September	Staff Development Day
Tues 2nd September	Children in (new EY transition 2nd-4th staggered start)
Thurs 11th Sept	Individual school photographs
Thurs 18th Sept	KS2 Drax Trip
WB 22nd September	Maths parent drop ins- each class confirm own date and time
Fri 26th sept	Macmillan cancer coffee morning 9.00am
Wed 1st- Fri 3rd	Y5/6 Robinwood Trip
Thurs 2nd Oct	KS1 Drax Trip
Wed 8th Oct	Open Day 1 for Sept 2026 starters (10am)
Fri 10th Oct	Mental Health Day – wear yellow & bring donation for charity
Thurs 16th Oct	Open Day 2 for Sept 2026 starters (1.30pm)
Fri 24th Oct	End for half term
Mon 27th Oct – Fri 31st Oct	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Mon 3rd Nov	Term Begins
W/B 10th November	Anti-bullying Week
Fri 14th Nov	Children in need – details will follow
Tue 18th and Thurs 20th Nov	Parents evenings (Tue 4-6.30pm / Thurs 3.30-5.30pm)
W/B 24th Nov	Stay and Create
Fri 5th Dec	Xmas jumper day (Save the children)
Fri 5th Dec	School Xmas fair 3.30-5.00pm school hall
WB 8th Dec	Xmas parties Mon 8th- Yr 5/6 (coach and Y5 teacher in Y6 ppa slot) Wed 10th- EY/KS1 (coach and EY/Y2 class teachers in Y1 PPA slot) Thurs 11th- Yr 3/4
Tues 16th Dec	Carol Service at church 10am

Tue 16th Dec	Xmas **performance** KS1 and FS2 ONLY 5pm
Tues 16th Dec	School Xmas lunch
Wed 17th Dec	Xmas **performance** KS1 and FS2 ONLY 10am
Thursday 18th Dec	Finish for Christmas (Not in school Friday 19th- Training Day)
Mon 23rd Dec –Mon 6th Jan	Christmas holidays