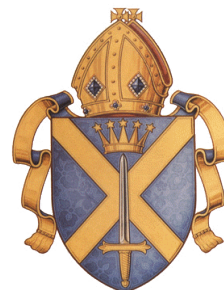


Weekly Newsletter

23rd May 2025

Message from the Head



SUMMER TERM

Dear Parents and Carers,

Caldecotte

Class 5 are returning tired and full of stories from their week at Caldecotte. From speed boat rides and paddle boarding to abseiling and zorbing, all the children learnt a new skill and challenged themselves individually and as a team. Well done to Class 5 for representing Long Marston so fantastically this week! Huge thanks to Mrs Soar for organising this excellent experience and to all the staff who gave up their time to go along too.



Remember, next week is half term and the children return on **Tuesday 3rd June**.

Kind regards, *Mrs Laura Whateley*



Values Award

Kindness, Respect, Resilience

Class 1

Joe and Kit for awesome progress in the Early Years - a fabulous LMS journey!

Class 2

Lulu for demonstrating our school values especially kindness.

Class 3

Iqra for resilience - working hard at writing a great play script.

Class 4

Alana for quietly and consistently displaying our values of kindness, resilience and respect. An all-round star!

Class 5

All the children who went to Caldecotte for challenging themselves in new adventures and for representing Long Marston brilliantly this week.

House points

Larks 129

Martins 112

Swifts 131

Congratulations to the Swifts!

Attendance this week

Class 1 95.5%

Class 2 97.5% **Well Done!**

Class 3 92.6%

Class 4 94.0%

Class 5 95.8%

Attendance this year: 94.3%



'Together we grow and flourish with hope'



Clubs Coming Up

Tuesday 3rd June

- Summer Sports (KS1)

Wednesday 4th June

- Mad Science

Thursday 5th June

- Girls Football - lunchtime
- French (KS1)
- Piano and guitar lessons
- Football (KS2)

Friday 6th June

- Drum lessons
- French (KS2)

Additional Information

For this week's letters click on the image below ...



Year 4 - Times Tables assessment w/c 9th June and KS2 TT Rock stars competition

Each year, the government sets assessments to test Year 4s' knowledge and fluency with times tables. This is coming up in June. If you get the chance over half term, please could the Year 4 children brush up and ensure they are times table fluent. This isn't just important for this assessment, it's important for all maths that they will go onto learn in Year 5 and 6. Please could you spend some time with your children in the next couple of weeks, on TT rock stars, to ensure your child is as fluent as they can be with times tables up to 12.

Log on to see our KS2 times table competition online between classes during half term week!

Playground thank you

A huge thank you from Miss Dell and all the lunchtime team for the donations you have been bringing into school. Since we introduced 'lunchtime fun', our playground has been a buzz of children dressing up (even Year 6s!), bikes whizzing round, beautiful art being created and tyres being used in ways you can't even imagine! It really has enhanced our lunchtime offer and it's fair to say the children love it. Thank you!

PTA Update

To celebrate Father's Day Weekend, we will be holding a joke competition. We invite all dads, brothers, uncles, and father figures to share their best "Dad" joke by June 5th, 2025. £1 to enter, the best joke will be voted for by students and staff and told at the Father's Day Church Service.

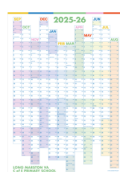
Please enter via the entry form sent home, spare forms are available in the office.

Friday 11th July (after school)- Long Marston is hosting Inter-village sports competition.

This is a huge event for the village schools which hasn't run since before COVID.

We're hoping everyone will come along to cheer the team on and celebrate at the fair.

Please email pta@longmarston.herts.sch.uk if you are able to help.



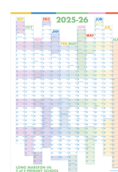
School calendar 2026

We have created Long Marston school poster planner calendars for 2026-2027

Comes with over 60 stickers for parties, sports events, birthdays, etc.

Details here, orders by **July 1st** via the same link

<https://www.peoplespress.co.uk/long-marston-va>



Dates for the diary - Summer

Date and time	Event
Mon 2nd June	INSET Day
Tues 3rd June	Children return to school
Fri 6th June	Class 4 and 5 Knex challenge
Mon 9th June	Year 4 multiplication check this week
Weds 11th June	Fathers' Day service in Church R-6 Parents welcome.
Thurs 12th June	Forest school starts Class 1
Weds 18th June	Nursery Parent Consultation Meetings
Thurs 19th June	Class 2 Seaside day
Weds 25th June	Midsummer Fun Run - Tring Running Club
Weds 2nd July	Year 6 transition day for Tring pupils
Thurs 3rd July	Sports Day and Teddy Bears' picnic Class 1 cake sale
Tues 8th July	Reserve sports day
Weds 9th July	Children meet their new teacher
Thurs 10th July	Year 5 and 6 dress rehearsal and performance Children move around and spend time in new class
Fri 11th July	Reports go home Inter-village sports and School Fair after school
Mon 14th July	9-10 New class move around plus new children to the school 3.15-4.15 Open classrooms for parents to informally visit and meet new teachers
Weds 16th July	End of year church service
Fri 18th July	Swimming gala - for ALL KS2 children
Weds 23rd July	Leavers' assembly 9.15 am

Year 6 transition to secondary school

On Weds 18th June (10-11.30)

To empower and enable parents in the preparation for secondary school, we would like to signpost you to a free online workshop 'Top Tips for Transition to Secondary school' which is being hosted by Dacorum Family Services. This workshop will offer practical and helpful tips on: communicating with secondary schools, developing organisational skills, managing homework, staying safe, settling in smoothly.

To book your place please contact:

jnethercoat@hobbshillwood.herts.sch.uk ((01442 401 222 Ext 5)



Class 1 - Forest school

Volunteers

Class 1 will be participating in forest school next half term. Please let the office know if you are able to help at any of the forest school sessions. Even if you can only help for one session it would be greatly appreciated (Morning sessions 9.30-midday and afternoon sessions 12.45pm-3pm)

Arbor Payments

As we approach the end of term please could we ask that any outstanding monies are paid via Arbor in preparation for next term.



Half Term Holiday
26th May-2nd June

