

Weekly Newsletter

3rd October 2025



Message from the Head

AUTUMN TERM

Dear Parents and Carers,

School Councillor elections

Congratulations to the following children who were voted as this year's School Councillor. These children lead on environmental issues in school and have some passionate ideas about looking after our grounds, nature and the environment.

Class 2 -	Harlow and Willa
Class 3 -	Zander and Josh
Class 4 -	Ivy and Eliza
Class 5 -	Paige, Bob and Elena

Thank you to everyone who came along to the parent workshops this week. Children loved having their parents and carers in school and I hope it gave you an insight into a typical lesson for your children. Thank you to those of you who helped with saws and glue guns in DT! Next Monday we look forward to welcoming Class 1 and next Friday Class 4 parents.

I hope you have a lovely weekend ahead,

Kind regards, *Mrs Laura Whateley*

Signing up to parent /teacher consultations

Please sign up to meeting with your child's class teacher by clicking [here](#) or by following the schoolcloud link on our school website homepage. This link will open today and will close on Monday 6th October. Please ensure you have signed up by the deadline as last minute alterations are not possible to accommodate. If you can not make these appointments, please speak to your child's class teacher or contact the school office.

Author Visit to Long Marston - Tom McLaughlin

Next week, the brilliant author and illustrator Tom McLaughlin is coming to our school for a fun interactive event.

Tom has written and illustrated near 30 books, including the best-selling 'Accidental' series, as well as working in animation design, script writing and an occasional columnist. He's going to tell the children all about his career and his latest book Alan, King of the Universe.

He will be signing the books for the children at the event.

IMPORTANT – Parents, you can order his book from Our Bookshop- click below...

<https://www.ourbookshoptring.co.uk/product/alan-king-of-the-universe-the-hilariously-chaotic-graphic-novel-for-kids/>

The signed books will be given to your child on the day. This will be very exciting for all the children.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM BEN AT OUR BOOKSHOP - Please include your child's name and class so the books can be labelled up for the event. Postage is not required; we will deliver all the books on the day.

TA and MSA role at Long Marston

Thank you to those of you who got in touch about this role. Please see the link [here to apply](#) for the role. The closing date for this position is 8th October 2025.

Values Award

Rewarding children who demonstrate our values of kindness, respect and resilience.

Class 1

Goldie- For demonstrating lovely kindness in her inclusive play - Well done!

Class 2

Sophie is incredibly resilient in all areas of the curriculum, completing work to a high standard. She is also kind and respectful.

Class 3

Theo for demonstrating all 3 of our school values (and for great instruction writing).

Class 4

Charlie for engaging brilliantly with all our learning and working to the best of his ability at all times.

Class 5

Paige for exceptional kindness. She is always ready and willing to help.

House points

Larks	92
Martins	115
Swifts	63

Congratulations to the Martins!

Attendance this week

Class 1	98.2%
Class 2	98.4%
Class 3	100% Well Done!
Class 4	100% Well Done!
Class 5	94%

Whole School Attendance this year: 97.0%

Target for this year: 96%



Coming Up

Tuesday 7th October

- Summer sports (KS1 & KS2)
- Multisport Club (Yr1-Yr4)

Wednesday 8th October

- Mad science

Thursday 9th October

- Girls Football - lunchtime
- Gardening Club—Lunchtime
- Cheerleading
- Game on Football Club (KS2)
- French (KS1&KS2)

Friday 10th October

- Spanish (KS2) - Lunchtime

Additional Information

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



Harvest 2025

This year our Harvest Service will be held in church on **Wednesday 8th October at 9:15 for children in R to Y6 and their parents and carers**. All welcome. Please could children bring in a donation on the morning of **8th Oct** and not before please.

Food

Tinned fruit
Baked beans
Tinned/packet soup
Rice
Tea bags
Cereal bars
Long life juice/squash
Tinned spaghetti hoops

DENS High Needs list:

Tinned sweetcorn
Tinned ham
Cooking sauces
Tinned kidney beans
Tinned tomatoes
Tinned vegetables

Kitchen and hygiene items

Carrier bags
Shower gel



Long Marston Tennis Club Half Term Fun

Attached to this week's newsletter is a flyer for Long Marston tennis club half term fun sessions. These are FREE to all our junior members of Long Marston Tennis Club or £5 to non-members. The slots are limited so please remember to book if you want a place. (see attached poster or email longmarstontennisclub@gmail.com)

The first hour will have fun and games with racket and ball skills.

The second hour for the older kids will include a fun round robin tournament with timed matches and medal prizes.

Forest school next half term

After the half term break, it is Class 4's turn for forest school. A reminder that children need to come to school suitably dressed with waterproofs and sturdy, waterproof shoes or boots. As always we will be on the hunt for volunteers to help. If you think you have a Thursday morning or afternoon spare after half term, please do contact the school office. Any help is greatly appreciated.

Dates for this term

Date and time	Event
Mon 6th Oct 9.00-10.00	Class 1 parent workshop in hall
Mon 6th Oct	Class 4 Pedestrian skills—remember suitable coat please
Weds 8th Oct 9.15	Harvest Festival in Church R-6. Parents welcome
Thurs 9th Oct	Flu immunisations
Thurs 9th Oct 3.15	Class 4 cake sale
Fri 10th Oct 9.00-10.00	Class 4 parent workshop in hall
Sat 11th Oct 10.30	Tring Apple Parade—scarecrow competition and parade
Mon 13th Oct 3.30-6.00	Parents' evening in person in school
Weds 15th Oct 5.00-7.30	Parents' evening online
Tues 14th Oct	SEND and PPG coffee morning
Weds 22nd Oct	Kin ball taster day—all classes to wear PE Kit
Thurs 23rd Oct	Perform Workshop to Class 1 and 2
Fri 24th Oct	Break up for half term
Mon 3rd Nov	Return to school
Thurs 6th Nov	Forest school for Class 4
Mon 10th—Fri 14th	Equality and Diversity week
Mon 10th Nov	Electric Umbrella Performance and workshops. MUFTI for £1
Thurs 13th Nov	Cake Sale Class 3
Fri 28th Nov	Occasional Day
Mon 1st Dec	INSET DAY
Weds 10th Dec	KS1 Christmas Performance am
Thurs 11th Dec	KS1 Christmas Performance am
Sat 13th Dec	Christmas Fair
Tues 16th Dec	KS1 Party Afternoon
Weds 17th Dec	Christingle service in Church, Christmas lunch, KS2 Film afternoon
Thurs 18th Dec	Whole school PANTO visit
Fri 19th Dec	School ends for Christmas break 1.30pm



Apple Parade

Please sign up on Arbor if your child is walking in the apple parade on Saturday 11th October (open to all children).

Class 4 Cake Sale

Next Thursday, 9th October, Class 4 will be holding their cake sale after school. Please could Class 4 children bring in cakes to sell. All proceeds go to Class 4 for teachers to spend on extra resources for the classroom. **All ingredients must be clearly marked, especially any allergens. No nuts please.**



Many thanks.

Christmas Fair date

Our Christmas Fair this year will be on Saturday 13th December.



Class 1 & Class 4 Parent Workshops
Monday 6th & Friday 10th October

