

Weekly Newsletter

6th December 2024



Message from the Head

AUTUMN TERM

Dear Parents and Carers,

Parking at the village hall

The village hall is a great resource to have in the village and, to keep up and running, they need to prioritise those that rent the space. A reminder that parking at the village hall is permitted providing there isn't a function being held which takes precedence if it is. On December 18th at 11.00am, there is a funeral wake being held and the village hall have asked that parking at the hall is avoided. If you come to school at times outside normal drop off and pick up, please could you park around the back of the hall or on the street. On occasion, this may also not be possible if the hall is holding an event. Many thanks for your help and cooperation.

Class 3 teaching update

Today we welcomed Mrs Stephenson back after she broke her ankle earlier this term. Thanks again to Mrs Rhodes, Mrs Whiting and Miss Dell who covered her absence.

Christmas Fair Saturday 7th December 2-4pm

We very much look forward to seeing you all at the Fair tomorrow. It promises to be a really fun event which raises valuable funds for school projects. In the coming year we hope to replace some of our class interactive white boards and we also would like to start saving to replace the trim trail in the playground!

School council – wildlife request

School council recently met with a representative from the Wildlife Trust who did an audit of our site and how well we support wildlife. The school council have come up with an action plan which includes feeding the birds in the winter and putting small dishes of water out for smaller animals. If anyone has any bird feeders, bird feed or small dishes they can donate, the school council would be very grateful.

I look forward to seeing you all at the fair tomorrow,

Kind regards, *Mrs Laura Whateley*

Marsworth Church Christmas Tree Festival and Christingle Service

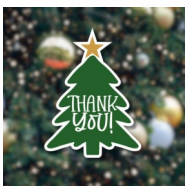
Christmas Tree Festival on December 8th from 10 am- 4 pm at Marsworth Church
Christingle Service at Marsworth Church on Friday 20th December at 2pm.

Primary School applications

Just a reminder that for any children due to start reception in September 2025, the deadline for applications is 15th January 2025.

Christmas Tree

A very big THANK YOU to Rob Landers at RML Services for donating the beautiful Christmas tree at the front of the school. It gives a fantastic festive entrance for the school.



Values Award

Kindness, Respect, Resilience

Class 1

Willa for approaching challenges with a positive attitude, kindness and resilience.

Class 2

Harlow - for always being kind and trying her very best in all of her work.

Class 3

All of Class 3 for showing resilience whilst Mrs Stephenson has been unwell.

Class 4

Ramona for her exceptional kindness and resilience in her learning.

Class 5

Charlotte for her fabulous resilient attitude to learning and always striving to do the best she can.

House points

Larks 215

Martins 199

Swifts 200

Congratulations to the **Larks!**

Attendance this week

Class 1 92.5%

Class 2 96.3%

Class 3 97.5%

Class 4 98.3%

Class 5 92.9% Well Done!

Whole School Attendance this year:

94.6%

Target for this year: 96%



'Together we grow and flourish with hope'



Coming Up

Monday 9th December

- Gardening Club
- French (KS2)
- Gymnastics Club

Tuesday 10th December

- Summer sports (KS1 & KS2)
- Tennis (KS1 & KS2)
- Game on Football Club(KS1)

Wednesday 11th December

- Multisport Club (KS1 & KS2)

Thursday 12th December

- Girls Football - lunchtime
- Game on Football Club (KS2)
- Netball (KS1 & KS2)
- French (KS1)
- Piano and guitar lessons

Friday 13th December

- Drum Lessons

Additional Information

For this week's letters [click on the image below ...](#)



PTA Update

[Follow Long Marston PTA on Instagram @Imfundraising](#)



£15

LEARN THE JAPANESE ART OF FABRIC WRAPPING
MATERIAL, DRINK, MINCE PIE

RSVP TO PTA@LONGMARSTON.HERTS.SCH.UK

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE PTA TO HELP LONG MARSTON SCHOOL

Christmas Fair: 7th December
from 2-4 p.m.

Christmas Fair Cake Sale: The PTA needs cakes! Drop off bakes at the school from 11 a.m. on December 7th or email pta@longmarston.herts.sch.uk to drop off on Friday. **Please ensure all items are nut free.**

Parents' Holiday Craft Event
December 11th from
7:30 p.m.

Learn the Japanese art of
Furoshiki - wrapping with fabric.

Letters to Santa

Last day to post letters to Santa is Friday 13th December. Please ensure that payment is made at the time of posting. Please see here for [postage costs](#).

Collect your replies from Santa on Thursday 19th December. Remember, if you put your address on the back then your child can secretly receive their reply in their letterbox.

Dates

Date	Time	Event
Sat 7th Dec	2-4pm	Christmas Fair
Mon 9th Dec		Class 1 and 2 Dress Rehearsal
Weds 11th Dec	9.30am	Class 1 and 2 play
Thurs 12th Dec	9.30am	Class 1 and 2 play
Weds 18th Dec		KS2 Christmas party
Weds 18th Dec		Whole school Christmas service in Church - parents welcome
Thurs 19th Dec		KS1 Christmas party
Fri 20th Dec		Christmas lunch— children can wear Christmas jumpers
Fri 20th Dec		Last Day of term 1.30 finish
Mon 6th Jan		INSET Day
Tues 7th Jan		Children return to school

Christmas Lunch

The school Christmas lunch (traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings and a vegetarian Quorn option) will be on Friday 20th December 2024 (the last day of term). If your child doesn't usually have a school lunch on a Friday and would like the Christmas lunch please provide consent on Arbor. Payment will be taken automatically through Arbor on the day. Junior Meal £3.20 and Infant meal £2.94.

KS1 Christmas Concert

Tickets are now available for the KS1 Christmas Concert held on the 11th (Class 1 parents) and 12th (Class 2 parents) December at 9:30 a.m. Please purchase on Arbor shop. If you have a problem attending one date, we will certainly see what we can do to accommodate you.



Sign up for Spring Milk

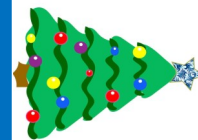
If you would like your child to have milk next term please complete the jotform and make payment on Arbor. Further information available [here](#).



Shang Dynasty Workshop

Just a reminder that we have the Shang Dynasty workshop on Tuesday. Please can you make your voluntary contribution via Arbor.

If you have any questions or are unable to make this contribution, please don't hesitate to contact the office.



End of Term
Friday 20th December 1.30pm

