

Weekly Newsletter

6th March 2026



Message from the Head

World Book Day

The children had a wonderful day in school yesterday celebrating all things books. We had some fabulous costumes and the children had lots of fun. From a live lesson from the BBC to author talks, the day promoted a love of reading. Of course, this isn't something we do just once a year but it is a celebration of the work we do throughout the year to ensure children are excellent readers.

There has been a dramatic decline in adults reading for pleasure too - with the draw of technology, it's all too easy to pick up a phone rather than a book. Try to make time to model reading to your children. You never know, you may rekindle a love of reading too.



After School Club

Our popular After School Club is very busy Mon, Tues and Weds but numbers are low on Thurs and Fri. Therefore, we have taken the decision to close it on Fridays for the time being. We will keep this under review and if numbers increase then we will reopen Fridays. Currently, we are able to run the club Mon, Tues and Weds until 5.30 and Thurs until 4.15pm. If the club appears full on Arbor, please email the office to check whether we can squeeze any more in. We do still have a vacancy for an After School Club assistant. If you know anyone who may be interested in the role, please ask them to contact the school office for more information.

Kind regards,

Mrs Laura Whateley

Values Award

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

Class 1

Remy for demonstrating resilience learning his sea shanty from the home learning challenge and performing to the whole class twice.

Class 2

Verity for demonstrating all of our school values especially kindness.

Class 3

Freddie K for showing resilience and determination with his mental maths and timetables.

Class 4

Daniella for demonstrating maturity and resilience with her focus and attitude to learning.

Class 5

Mason for great focus and resilience in all his learning this week.

House Points

Larks 238
Martins 225
Swifts 126

Congratulations to the **Larks!**

Attendance this week

Class 1 99.4% **Well Done!**
Class 2 97.3%
Class 3 97.8%
Class 4 94.6%
Class 5 96.2%

Whole School Attendance this year: 94.7%

Coming Up

Monday 9th March

- Chess - lunchtime

Tuesday 10th March

- Summer Sports - lunchtime
- Mini Olympics (KS1)

Wednesday 11th March

- Gardening Club - lunchtime

Thursday 12th March

- Girls Football - lunchtime
- Cheerleading
- Game on Football Club (KS2)
- French (KS1&KS2)
- Drums / Guitar Lessons

Friday 13th March

- Piano Lessons

Additional Information

Please click on the image below ...



LONG MARSTON SCHOOL PTA PRESENTS

Mothering Sunday Gift Shop

Friday 13th March

We are delighted to be running our annual Mothering Sunday Gift Shop at school!

Children will have the opportunity to choose a thoughtful gift - including plants and small keepsakes - for someone who plays a loving role in their family. Whether that's Mum, Grandma, Auntie, Step-parent, Carer or anyone special at home ❤️

What you need to know:

- Please send your child to school with no more than £10 cash
- Gifts will be reasonably priced starting from £1
- Children will choose independently with support from PTA volunteers

It's always a lovely event and a wonderful opportunity for the children to surprise someone special at home.

Thank you for supporting the PTA 🌸

Dates for this half term

Date and time	Event
Mon 9th March 3.30-6.00	Parent teacher consultations - in person
Weds 11th Mar 9.15	Mothering Sunday service in church - parents welcome
Weds 11th Mar 5-7.30	Parent teacher consultations evening - online
Tues 17th Mar	Y5 and Y6 Talent Show auditions
Weds 18th Mar eve	Year 6 SATs information evening with Mrs Soar
Thurs 19th Mar	Class 2 Cake sale - no nuts. Allergens labelled
Fri 20th Mar	Y3 and Y4 Talent Show auditions World Downs' Syndrome Day—wear odd socks to celebrate differences
Sat 21st Mar	Bridgewater Cross Country KS2
Mon 23rd Mar	Lacrosse taster sessions
Tues 24th Mar	Lacrosse taster sessions
Weds 25th Mar 9.15	Easter Service in Church - parents welcome Talent Show dress rehearsal
Fri 27th Mar 9.15	Long Marston's Got Talent Dare to be different day—to celebrate Autism Awareness (MUFTI)
1.30	End of term - early collection

Computer Appeal

Long Marston School are appealing to parents if they know anyone who works for large companies that might be updating their laptops if the company would consider recycling them and donating them to the school.

- * Windows 10/11
- * Min 4 GB ram
- * Hard Drive 245GB hard drive or larger
- * Screen Size - Any
- * 11 inch or above
- * Ipad's



Booking parent teacher consultations

Bookings are open for parent consultations on the 9th and 11th March. Click [here](#) for Schoolcloud.

Dogs

A friendly reminder that no dogs (with the exception of assistance dogs) are permitted on school grounds at any time even if being held. Many thanks for your support with this.

Meal choice bookings

Please could you ensure that you have booked meals for your child in Arbor even if they have a packed lunch. Details of how to do this are [here](#).

Parent Teacher Consultations
Remember to book for next week