

Weekly Newsletter

5th June 2026



Message from the Head

Dear parents and carers,

Learning this week

On Monday the builders started work and immediately cut through our internet cable! This required innovation and old school teaching from our staff who taught without technology for the first two days of term! Apologies if you had problems getting through to us as our phones were down too. We did manage to pick up diverted calls and messages on mobiles.

Class 1 have been learning about weather this week with a wonderful real life show of thunder, lightening, sun and rain! Class 2 have been using maps to find the names of oceans and continents. Class 3 have been learning about the water cycle and doing an experiment to see which location causes water to evaporate the fastest. Class 4 have been learning about Edgar Alan Poe before going on to learn about his poems next week. Class 5 have begun learning songs and rehearsing their parts for their end of year show.

Parent Survey

Every year we put a survey out to parents to glean your feedback and ideas on key areas of school. We really appreciate your responses to help us establish your feedback and ideas on key areas of school. These questions follow the same areas that Ofsted might ask if they were to visit school. Your responses are read carefully, shared with governors and feed into our school development priorities. Please could you complete your responses by **Monday 22nd June**. Please click [here](#) to access the survey.

Kind regards,

Mrs Laura Whateley

Classes 1 and 2 : Author Event with Beatrice Simpkins—Tues 9th June

On Tuesday, author-illustrator Beatrice Simpkins is visiting Classes 1 and 2 at our school!

She will be sharing her heartwarming debut picture book, Ziggy the Caterpillar's Zigzag Adventure. This vibrant, fun story follows Ziggy—a lovable caterpillar who just can't sit still—on a whirlwind journey of self-discovery. It's a playful celebration of mindfulness, patience, and the beauty of moving through the world in our own unique, wiggly ways.

She will be signing books for the children at the event which will be handed out on the day. Parents, you can order his book from Our Bookshop- click below...

<https://www.ourbookshopring.co.uk/product/ziggy-the-caterpillars-zigzag-adventure-a-story-about-self-discovery/>

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM BEN AT OUR BOOKSHOP - Please include the students 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.

Forest School Donations

Thank you very much to those of you who have donated. As it stands, 30% of school have made a donation to forest school this year. Unfortunately, with pressures on our school budget as they are, we can not fund this fabulous provision without your support. If you are able to, please log onto Arbor and make your donation if at all possible. Many thanks.

Class 5 Enterprise Project

Class 5 have been busy setting up their own businesses ready to raise money for their end of year farewell celebration. They will be selling products on THURSDAY 11th June at LUNCHTIME. Items on sale include fidget toys, stationary, key chains and croc charms, and prices range from 20p to £1. Class 5 children all really appreciate your support if you are able to send some change into school (coins preferred if possible) for your child to buy items. It is an excellent opportunity for all children to learn about spending money and receiving change. Thank you!

Values Award

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

Class 1

Robyn for fantastic, accurate sentence writing about the weather.

Class 2

Sophie for consistently demonstrating all of our school values. She completes everything really well and is enthusiastic about learning.

Class 3

Kitty for having great resilience in coming to school.

Class 4

Callum for his thorough approach to learning, particularly his science assessment this week.

Class 5

Oscar for showing great resilience in Geography and producing a great piece of work.

House Points

Larks 101

Martins 76

Swifts 64

Congratulations to the Larks!

Attendance this week:

Class 1 98.5% **Well Done!**

Class 2 92.3%

Class 3 88.5%

Class 4 97.1%

Class 5 87.9%

Whole School Attendance this year: 94.4%

Coming Up

Monday 8th June

- Chess -Lunchtime

Tuesday 9th June

- Dodgeball - lunchtime
- Summer Sports (KS1&KS2)

Wednesday 10th June

- Gardening Club - lunchtime

Thursday 11th June

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

Friday 12th June

- Piano Lessons



PLEASE JOIN US

FRIDAY
26 JUNE
4:30-7:30
HP23 4QS

LONG MARSTON VA
C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Summer Fair

EVERYONE WELCOME FREE ENTRY

KID'S DISCO · STALLS · HOT FOOD · BAR
ICE CREAM · TOY TOMBOLA · BOTTLE TOMBOLA
INFLATABLE FUN · CANDY FLOSS · RAFFLE

PLEASE PARK RESPECTFULLY AND IN CONSIDERATION OF OUR NEIGHBOURS.
YOUR SUPPORT GOES TOWARDS YOUR PTR AND LONG MARSTON SCHOOL.

AUCTION EVENING:
Fizz, Fish & Fundraising with Fabulous Prizes.
Including a 5 night stay in a Spanish Apartment.

When & Where:
Friday 10th July
Long Marston Village Hall
(Station Road, Long Marston, Tring, Hertfordshire, HP23 4QS)

Doors Open: 6:45pm
Food Served: 7:15pm

Includes:
Complimentary glass of fizz on arrival
Freshly served fish & chips
Fun table quiz
Bar available
Mystery prize for one lucky guest

Tickets: **£15**

Raising funds for the **Red Kite Room** at Long Marston VA C of E Primary School. Supporting pupils with additional needs to thrive.

Join us for a fun-filled evening and help make a difference.

Get your tickets:
Email the organiser - Amy Wiltshire:
amypippamatthews@hotmail.com

Dates up until end of Summer term

Date	Event
Mon 8th June	Year 4 Multiplication check this week
Tues 9th June	Class Photos Author visit Reception to Year 2
Thurs 11th June	Class 1 first forest school
Fri 12th June	MUFTI—Bring a toy for two or the toy tombola
Tues 16th June	Reception Height, Weight, Vision, Hearing check—school nurse
Weds 17th June 9.15	Fathers' Day service in church R-6—please don't park at village hall
Weds 17th June	Year 5 and 6 Rounders tournament at Tring school
Fri 19th June	John Colet transition day Y6 MUFTI - bring a bottle for the bottle tombola
Fri 19th June Eve	Intervillage competition - Aldbury
Mon 22nd June	Year 6 residential to Caldecotte
Fri 26th June 4.30-6.30	Summer Fair
Tues 30th June	Sports day and Teddy Bears' Picnic - please no parking at village hall Class 1 cake sale
Mon 6th July	Meet the teacher for Year 6 children at Tring
Tues 7th July	Class 1 and 2 Pirate Day in school—dress up as a pirate
Tues 7th July	Year 6 transition day at Tring
Weds 8th July 5.45	Year 5 and 6 performance
Fri 10th July	Reports go home
Fri 10th July	Fish, chips and fizz auction evening – see poster for more info
Mon 13th July	Swimming Gala
Weds 15th 10.30	New class move round including new children and N and R
Tues 14th July	Reserve sports day
Weds 15th July	End of Year church service—please don't park at village hall
Thurs 16th July	Class 1 last forest school
Mon 20th July	Y6 celebration afternoon
Weds 22nd July 9.15	Y6 leavers' assembly. Please don't park at village hall Last day of term 1.30pm collection



Bikeability

Congratulations to all the children in Years 3 and 4 who developed their biking skills before half term. They were all presented with a cycling certificate in assembly today.

Class Photos

A reminder that children need to come in their smartest uniform on Tuesday ready for class photos.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

Next week, children in Year 4 will be taking part in the national Multiplication Tables Check. This is very similar to the times tables practice they complete regularly in school, but it is administered online and the results are recorded nationally. Our children know their times tables extremely well and have worked hard throughout the year, so we are confident they will approach the check with confidence. We wish them the very best of luck and know they will do themselves proud.



Intervillage - Aldbury School
Friday 19th June

