

Newsletter

7th October 2019

Message from Mrs Woods

I can't quite believe how quickly this half term is passing—only two weeks left until the half term break! Things have been moving at quite a pace here at Longshaw and much has been happening. Here's a quick summary to bring you up to speed:

Staffing:

Due to unforeseen personal circumstances Miss Barrington has sadly resigned from her position of Y2 class teacher. The good news is, Mr Charles (who is a qualified teacher) is Y2C 's new class teacher from Monday 7th October.

Mr Charles will no longer teach PE across the school, but has agreed to continue to run some of our after school sports clubs. PE lessons will now be delivered by qualified sports coaches from Ultimate Vision.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Barrington for her input to the school.

I appreciate that there have been a number of staff absences due to sickness over the past few weeks. Most staff have now returned to work but we will continue to minimise disruption to those classes still affected. We appreciate your support and understanding in the meantime.

United Learning Parent Surveys:

As part of our commitment to continue to improve Longshaw, it is really important that we get to hear the views of all of our parents. As part of United Learning, we will therefore take part in a survey of parents to understand how well you think we are doing. It is important that as many parents as possible take part in this survey in order to get a well rounded opinion of our school. The plan is therefore to distribute a link to this online survey via email to all parents at the start of November.

Thank you to those parents who have already updated parent contact information (including email addresses). To those who have yet to return these, please can I ask that you return relevant forms to the school office no later than **Friday 11th October**.

Local Governing Body:

Members of our LGB have been re-elected and have held their first meeting of the year. Mr Will Cooper continues to act as Chair of governors and Mr Steve Bunting and Mrs Nina Mavroudis are our parent representatives.

Governors play an active role in the school and can often be seen on the playground during drop off / collection times so please do approach them if you wish to ask a question about the school, raise a concern, or share something positive about what we are doing.

Safeguarding / Pupil welfare

At Longshaw, the welfare and safety of our pupils is a priority and we treat all safeguarding concerns seriously. Sometimes this involves liaising with external professionals such as the Waltham Forest Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub to gain advice or make referrals.

Wherever possible we work with our families to offer / sign post support and are always on hand to discuss any worries about your child. If you have any concerns about a child at Longshaw, then please do speak to one of our Designated Senior Leaders (DSL):

Mrs Jane Woods—DSL

Mr Alex Bedwell—Deputy DSL

Don't forget, if you need help or advice about your child that is of a more general nature (eating; toileting; behaviour etc), then we have our school nurse drop in sessions. Tricia May-Parrot is our school nurse and will be holding regular slots in school over the coming year. The next of these is on 15.10.19. (Please also refer to our calendar of events for further dates).

Reminders & Calendar Events

School Meals

School meals cost £2.20 a day / £11 a week

Meals should be paid for online using **Parentmail**. If any parent is having difficulty accessing their account, then a cash payment may be made at the school office.

School dinners need to be paid in advance. If you owe over £20 we will be unable to give your child any further school meals until the debt has been settled. You will need to provide a home packed lunch instead. If you have any problems with payment then please speak to one of our office staff.



RECEPTION OPEN DAYS FOR SEPTEMBER 2020

ADMISSIONS

MONDAY 14TH OCTOBER AT 4.00PM

TUESDAY 15TH OCTOBER AT 1.30PM

MONDAY 11TH NOVEMBER AT 4.00PM

WEDNESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER AT 1.30PM

Please contact the school office to confirm your attendance.

Please enter through the school office. Thank you.



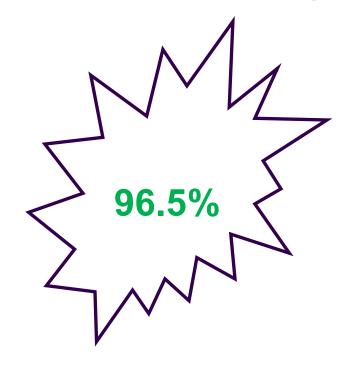
7.10.19— 11.10.19	Bikeability year 5	
10.10.19	5P Assembly 9am	
11.10.19	Induvial & Sibling photos	
15.10.19		
-	School Nurse Drop In 2-3 pm	
17.10.19	6M Assembly 9am	
18.10.19	CHILDREN BREAK UP FOR OCTOBER HALF TERM	
28.10.19	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSET DAY	
29.10.19	CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL	
30.10.19	Halloween Disco KS1 4-5PM KS2 5.30-7PM	
4.11.19-	Bikeability Year 3 & 4	
5.11.19		
7.11.19	1P Assembly 9am	
14.11.19	3H Assembly 9am	
19.11.19	School Nurse Drop In 9-10am	
21.11.19	40 Assembly 9am	
27.11.19– 28.11.19	Reception & year 6 Height/Weight 5L Assembly 9am	
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5.12.19	6H Assembly 9am	
12.12.19	EYFS Production (details to follow)	
13.12.19	FLU Nasal Spray- Reception-Year 6	
	Christmas Fete	
17.12.19	School Nurse Drop In 2-3 pm	
20.12.19	CHILDREN BREAK UP FOR	
	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	
7.1.20	CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL	
14.1.20	School Nurse Drop In 9-10am	
11.2.20	School Nurse Drop In 2-3pm	
13.2.20	CHILDREN BREAK UP FOR FEBRUARY HALF TERM	
24.2.20	CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL	
10.3.20	School Nurse Drop In 9-10am	
3.4.20	CHILDREN BREAK UP FOR EASTER HALF TERM	
21.4.20	CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL	
	School Nurse Drop In 2-3pm	
8.5.20	MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY (FRIDAY)	
12.5.20	School Nurse Drop In 9-10am	
22.5.20	CHILDREN BREAK UP FOR MAY HALF TERM	
16.6.20	School Nurse Drop In 2-3pm	
2.6.20	CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL	
7.7.20	School Nurse Drop In 9-10am	
17.7.20	CHILDREN BREAK UP FOR SUMMER HOLI- DAYS	

Attendance & Punctuality

Please help us achieve our 96% whole school attendance target by sending your child in to school every day and on time.

Class	Week ending	Week ending
	27/9/19	4/10/19
RH	89.2	92.7
RRP	96.2	96.1
Y1P	93.3	95
Y2W	98	96.7
Y2C	93.4	92.9
Y3A	94.1	99.1
Y3H	98.2	100
Y40	96.5	100
Y4A	98.8	97.7
Y5P	98.5	99.3
Y5L	95	96.1
Y6H	99.3	97.6
Y6M	97.9	96.6
Overall	96.1	96.9

Our overall whole school attendance figure is



HERE'S A REMINDER ABOUT SOME OF THE COMMON ILLNESSES AND THE ADVICE GIVEN

Illness	Going to school	Treatment	More Advice
Chicken Pox		Pharmacy	Back to school in 5 days after the onset of the rash
Common cold		Pharmacy	Ensure good hand washing.
Flu		Pharmacy	Ensure good hygiene
Hand, foot & mouth		GP	Only need to stay off school if feeling too ill.
Tonsillitis		Pharmacy	See GP if temperature lasts more than 48 hours or cannot swallow
Conjunctivitis		Pharmacy	Try not to touch eyes to avoid spreading
Head Lice		Pharmacy	Please treat and regularly check your child's hair.
Sickness bug / diarrhoea		Pharmacy	Back to school after 48hours—See GP if symptoms persist after this.
Measles / Impetigo / German measles & Whooping Cough		GP	Take your child to the GP and follow recommended advice.

Don't go to school—see the GP

Can be catching.
Some
restrictions for
school

Go to school—if needed get treatment as shown