



Longhorsley School News



AUTUMN TERM



week ending 18th September 2020

We are so pleased to give you all a warm welcome back in school. Everything is the same but different - we are in our new classes - but in bubbles; we are doing our normal routines - but are keeping apart from the other bubbles; some of us are eating lunch in our classrooms and we have our own play areas outside. We do lots of hand sanitising and washing to stop the spread of germs. We no longer have whole school Worship with singing - but have class Worship and no singing and birthdays are celebrated with hand claps in place of our special birthday song. But all this keeps us safe.

Children from the Summer and Autumn term Nursery intake have joined us - Pippa, India, Leighton, Kit, Lottie, Eddie, Nate, Ilya, Edwin, Gregory, Kobie, Olivia, Jennifer, Rory, Joseph and Dempsey - as well as Samuel, Jakob, Kaleb, Hollie and Emily in main school.

DATA COLLECTION - please check and amend where necessary the sheet/s sent home for your child/ren and the sign and return these to school as soon as possible to allow us to keep our records up to date. This is especially important if you have changed your mobile phone number or your email address as we use these to contact you with information through our communications provider, Schoolcomms. Please see our website for Data Protection and Privacy Notices:

<https://gdpr.school360.co.uk/getPrivacyPDF.php?options=cRUfFB4uDalCKs33xTzugjBIVOVtDkhBSGpIOHdYzZJKN2hHYUVodmFMVm1hK29ycXVOSm5BVm5pRG5wbWswMy82bzBmL3Bpem8xUEZnPT0%3D>

NHS NASAL FLU VACCINATION - we have been requested by the Immunisation Team for the nasal flu vaccinations to send you a reminder letter and parent form for completion and return to school - not to Northumbria NHS Trust. The children will receive their nasal spray on Thursday 1st October so please return you form as soon as possible - non consents to be returned also. Please note that if you do not return your form you will be unable to request a vaccination on the day as only the exact consented quantity of vaccinations are sent out. For further information please use the following link:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/907433/Protecting_Child_Against_Flu_DL_leaflet_2020.pdf

MIDDLE SCHOOL ADMISSIONS - please note that the Northumberland County Council School Admissions Online Portal is now open for parents of children currently in Year 4 to apply for their Middle School place. You will need to register as a new user if you have not used the Portal before. Please use the following link to access the site:

<https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Education/Schools/School-admissions-places-appeals-1/Yr-5-Middle-Yr-7-Secondary-Yr-9-High-entry-applica.aspx>

The closing date for applications is 31st October 2020.

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PACKED LUNCHES - Longhorsley St Helen's C of E First School has Healthy School status and suggests the following as suitable in a packed lunch at school:

- ☺ a starchy food such as wholemeal bread, wrap, pitta pocket, plain bread sticks, plain crackers, plain unsalted rice cakes, pasta, rice, couscous, noodles, potatoes or other type of cereals every day;
- ☺ lean meat, fish, eggs or other source of non-dairy protein (eg lentils, kidney beans chickpeas, hummus, falafel) every day;
- ☺ oily fish;
- ☺ at least one portion of fruit and/or one portion of vegetables every day;
- ☺ dairy food such as milk, cheese, yoghurt, fromage fraise or custard;
- ☺ a drink - only still water, unsweetened fruit juice, semi-skimmed or skimmed unflavoured milk, flavoured milk (occasionally as this have more added sugar than plain milk)

Please help us to keep our healthy school status by using the above guidelines when providing your child with a packed lunch for school.

We currently request that packed lunches come to school in disposable bags, if you would like to reduce the amount of plastic waste we have small brown 'take away' type paper carrier bags we can offer you at a cost of 70p for 10. If you are interested please contact the school office.

SCHOOLCOMMS / SCHOOLGATEWAY - this is our provider for communications, text and email, and online payments for milk, dinners, music, after school clubs, visits etc. Please download the mobile app in preparation to use SchoolGateway when required. There are still some outstanding payments due for the last academic year - please check your child's account and if necessary make your payment.

Payments for Milk and Years 3 and 4 Dinners have been set up and are now due - if you have already paid thank you.

We really do need to have all monies paid as soon as possible so we can pay the suppliers. If you have any concerns regarding payments please do not hesitate to get in touch.

PAPERWORK - please complete, sign and return all consents, (Tapestry for children in Early Years, photographic consent for new children; e-safety Pupil Acceptable Use Agreement; data collection sheet; nasal flu vaccination, blanket cover for 2020-21, etc) sent home with your child as soon as possible in order to update our records for this new school year.

TERM DATES

Autumn Term 1	Wednesday 2 nd September - Friday 23 rd October
Autumn Term 2	Monday 2 nd November - Friday 18 th December

ONLINE SAFETY - Please visit the following sites for useful online safety information:

CEOP ThinkUKnow - <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/> Childnet - <https://www.childnet.com/>
UK Safer Internet Centre - <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/>
NSPCC - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>
Safety Net Kids - www.safetynetkids.org.uk/personal-safety/staying-safe-online/

and for **reporting an incident** go to: <https://www.ceop.police.uk/CEOP-Reporting/>

REMINDERS

'**SCHOOL NEWS**' is available on the home page of our website (www.longhorsley-st-helens.northumberland.sch.uk) and back copies are available in the Office section under Newsletters.

CONTACT for all school matters - whether for the attention of the Headteacher, Class Teachers, Office, Kitchen - must be made via telephone on 01670788316, email to longhorsleyadmin@fedlongwhaltschools.uk or the Schoolcomms text service.

Longhorsley Tree

the monthly newsletter for the parish of St Helen's, Longhorsley available online at site.google.com/site/longhorsleytree

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