



Longhorsley School News

SPRING TERM



week ending 16th March 2018

CONGRATULATIONS to PHOEBE in Year 3 who has been selected to be a flag bearer at the Six Nations England v Ireland Rugby Match at Twickenham this Saturday, 17th March.

Phoebe has been chosen from a large selection of girls from across the country put forward to be flag bearers. We hope she and Mum, Zoe, have a fantastic time - we may even see Phoebe on the television!



PUPIL PROGRESS MEETINGS: Appointment time slips have been sent home - please check your child's home/school reading diary or book bag.

Key Stage 1 / Key Stage 2 CLOAKROOM: Due to a number of complaints/concerns re missing items, state of children's coats, PE items, and my own concerns with regard to the current organisation of the cloakroom, for the amount of additional winter clothing, we have started to open the school doors at 8:45am. This does not mean that school starts at this time but it does allow the children who arrive on the bus to go straight into school and then the rest of the children can follow so that congestion in the cloakroom is avoided. The bell will still be rung at 8:55am for any children playing on the yard. This is a temporary measure while we look at ways to improve the design and storage. Huge thanks to our Chair of the PTA who made this suggestion and has kindly agreed to fund the project. We have also asked our children for their ideas and designs - you never know we might have the next George Clarke in the making!!

EASTER - our Easter Service is in Longhorsley Mission on Thursday 29th March at 9:15am and everyone is welcome to attend. This will be Mrs Rusby's last day before leaving us and we hope as many of you that can, will join us to say goodbye. The Service will be followed by the PTA Coffee Morning in School which will be a further opportunity to wish Mrs Rusby farewell.

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DATES FOR 19TH MARCH – 30TH MARCH 2018

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| Monday 19 th March | Swim/Gym/Wall |
| | After School COOKERY Club (4 of 4) |
| Tuesday 20 th March | After School GYMNASTICS Club (5 of 5) |
| Wednesday 21 st March | Y3,4 Pupil Progress Updates |
| Thursday 22 nd March | Y3,4 Pupil Progress Updates |
| Friday 23 rd March | Easter Journey at Whalton Y2,3,4 |
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| Monday 26 th March | Swim/Gym/Wall |
| | YR,1,2 Pupil Progress Updates |
| Tuesday 27 th March | YR,1,2 Pupil Progress Updates |
| Wednesday 28 th March | Swimming/Gymnastics Gala YR,1,2,3,4 |
| Thursday 29 th March | 9:15 Easter Service in Longhorsley Mission - EVERYONE WELCOME - followed by PTA Coffee Morning in School |
| | 3:15 School closes for the Easter break |
| Friday 30 th March | GOOD FRIDAY |

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TERM DATES for Spring Term
second half

Monday 19th February -
Thursday 29th March

MONIES – dinners for children in **Years 3 and 4** are **£2.20** per child per day (£11/week)
£63.80 for Spring term 2 for children in Year 3 (29 days) and
£57.20 for children in Year 4 (29 days less 3 days residential visit)

swimming/gymnastics/climbing wall for children in Reception to Year 4. A voluntary contribution towards these activities is £4 per child per week
£24.00 for Spring term 2 for all children in Reception to Year 3 and
£20.00 for children in Year 4

Please note that monies requested to support the additional activities, which the children take part in on Monday afternoons, are voluntary contributions towards the total costs of provision. **However, school relies on your contributions to allow these activities to continue and, without your support, we would be unable to fund all those which are currently offered to your children, resulting in fewer activities being offered.**

Longhorsley St Helen's C of E First School PTA

Chair - Mrs Sarah Waterston

Secretary - Mrs Zoe Nelles

Treasurer - Mrs Fiona Hindmarsh

Helpers - Claire Bright - Lesley Hall - Emma Lawton - Andrea Light

EASTER COFFEE MORNING - will be in school following the Easter Service on Thursday 29th March. Please join us for a coffee and chat and browse the stalls. We look forward to seeing you.

Donations of chocolate for the tombola, small cakes and tray bakes and/or a raffle prize would be very much appreciated. Please send your child with a small amount of money to spend on the day. Thank you.



WATER BOTTLES only **£3.50** each, available in school

Hydration is very important for children in school, it has been proven that performance and concentration improves with a regular intake of water.

If you've not already got one, get your child's now.

The water bottles are hands free, special cap, screw lid, bpa free, dishwasher safe - for further information visit www.schoolbottle.co.uk.

Longhorsley Tree *(previously The Gloria)*

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

If you would like to submit an article in the monthly newsletter please contact Alan & Sue Etchells, tel 788847 / email longhorsley.tree@gmail.com or leave in the postbox in the Village Hall articles for the next edition should be submitted by mid month

DIARY DATES 2017-18 UPDATE

| February 2017 | | |
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| Date: | Event: | Time/Venue if applicable: |
| Thursday 1 st February | Federation Day - Y3, 4 at Longhorsley | |
| Friday 2 nd February | Family Service | 9:00am St Helen's |
| Monday 5 th February | After School CRAFT Club (5 of 5) | |
| Tuesday 6 th February | Safer Internet Day After School FOOTBALL Club (5 of 5) | |
| Friday 9 th February | School breaks up for half term | |
| Saturday 10 th February - Sunday 18 th February | HALF TERM | |
| Friday 16 th February | Teacher Training Day | |
| Monday 19 th February | School re-opens for Spring term 2 Willowburn Sports Activities - Reception, Y2, Y4 - SWIM Year 1 - GYMNASTICS Year 3 - CLIMBING WALL After School COOKERY Club (1 of 4) | 3:15-4:30pm |
| Tuesday 20 th February | After School GYMNASTICS Club (1 of 5) | |
| March 2017 | | |
| Date: | Event: | Time/Venue if applicable: |
| Thursday 1 st March | World Book Day | |
| Friday 2 nd March | Family Service | 9:00am St Helen's |
| Monday 5 th March - Wednesday 7 th March | NO After School COOKERY Club Year 4 Residential visit to Robinwood Activity Centre, Alston | |
| Friday 17 th - 23 rd March | Sport Relief | Activities tbc |
| Friday 23 rd March | Easter Journey | Whalton St Mary Magdalene Church & Village Hall |
| Tuesday 27 th March | Pupil Progress Updates for Parents | |
| Wednesday 28 th March | Swimming Gala | Willowburn |
| Thursday 29 th March | Easter Service PTA Coffee Morning | 9:15am Longhorsley Mission School |
| Friday 30 th March - Sunday 15 th April | EASTER HOLIDAY | |

**Dates/events will be updated as and when required, please check regularly
to ensure you don't miss anything**

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