



Longhorsley School News



AUTUMN TERM



week ending 25th October 2019

MUSIC TUITION - if your child is learning to play the violin their new tutor is Mrs Stephanie Naisbett and lessons are on Tuesday and if your child is learning to play either flute or clarinet their new tutor is Ms Rachael Chesney and their lessons are on Thursday. Please remember to have your instruments in school on the day of your lesson.

PE KIT - please remember children must have their PE kit in school on Mondays, for our visit to Willowburn if they are working in the Sports Hall or are on the Climbing Wall, and on Thursdays, for all for coaching sessions with our Instructor from the Morpeth & Ponteland Schools Sports Partnership, Miss Alderslade. Please ensure that your child has a spare pair of socks and trainers for the outside sports sessions. PE kit is also required for those After School Sports Clubs which your children have joined.

TIME IS RUNNING OUT for parents of children in Year 4 to apply online for MIDDLE SCHOOL ADMISSIONS in September 2020 - Parents of children in Year 4 if you do not complete the online application for your child's Middle School place by 31st October 2019, which is when the portal closes, then your application will be classed as late and your child may not get the place of choice.

Allocations day for Middle School is 2nd March 2020. For further information and guidance please go to:

<https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Education/Schools/School-admissions-places-appeals-1.aspx>

SHOE BOX APPEALS - We are again offering a choice of charity to support. Leaflets for both Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child and Link to Hope have been delivered to school and your child has chosen which appeal they would like to support this year and taken that leaflet home, to see if this is something you would like to do as a family. Boxes for Operation Christmas Child are available in school if required, please ask at the office.

Please return Link to Hope boxes on Tuesday 5th November and Operation Christmas Child boxes by Monday 11th November. Thank you

WILLOWBURN ACTIVITIES for Autumn Term 2: Swimming Reception, Y2, Y3
Gymnastics Y1
Climbing Wall Y4

commence on Monday 11th November. Please remember correct kit.

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REMEMBRANCE SERVICE - 10:45am Monday 11th November at the Flagpole - the children will be holding this annual service on the Village Green, please join us if you are able.

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal collection box is now in School - there are a limited number of small items the children are able to purchase by making a suggested donation for - wristband £1, ruler £1, reflector £1, pencil 50p, rubber 50p, pencil sharpener 50p. If you wish your child to make a purchase please send in your donation.

LONGHORSLEY FIRST SCHOOL WINTER MENU - Mrs Lamb has been looking at the new 'Winter' menu which comes into effect on Monday 11th November 2019 and is in place until Friday 1st May 2020 inclusive. Please visit our website to view the three week rolling menu at:

http://www.longhorsley-st-helens.northumberland.sch.uk/website/school_meals/103787

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DATES FOR 4TH NOVEMBER - 15TH NOVEMBER 2019

Monday 4 th November	TEACHER TRAINING DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 5 th November	SCHOOL RE-OPENS - Autumn Term 2
	After School CHOIR Club (6 of 9)
Wednesday 6 th November	Sponsored Fun Run
	Before School RUNNING Club (1 of 7)
Thursday 7 th November	After School BADMINTON Club (1 of 7)
Friday 8 th November	Multi Skills Festival - Y1,2
	After School FELTING Club (1 of 3 x 2)
	After School TEAMBUILDING Club (7 of 13)
Monday 11 th November	Bag 2 School Collection
	10:45 Remembrance Service at the Flag Pole
	Swim (YR,2,3)/Gym (Y1)/Wall (Y4)
	After School CAKE DECORATING Club (2 of 3 x 4)
Tuesday 12 th November	After School CHOIR Club (7 of 9)
Wednesday 13 th November	Before School RUNNING Club (2 of 7)
Thursday 14 th November	After School BADMINTON Club (1 of 7)
Friday 15 th November	After School FELTING Club (2 of 3 x 2)
	After School TEAM BUILDING Club (8 of 13)

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	Tuesday 5 th November -
	Friday 20 th December



BAG 2 SCHOOL - bag collection on Monday 11th November 2019., please leave your bags on the path at the main gates. If it is wet please leave them under the canopy at the Visitors Entrance.

'The more we weigh the more they pay.'

CLOTHING - over the holidays please check your child's uniform and pe kit and if you find any strays that do not belong to your family return them to school on our return on Tuesday 5th November. We will get them back to their owner.

We do have a lot of unclaimed clothing - sweatshirts and cardigans that are all un-named in our lost property. Some of these are ones with the school logo on and the rest are just plain ones - please come in to have a look if you are missing any.

CHILDREN'S FUN RUN on WEDNESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER - As we told you in our last RE Ambassadors' Newsletter, No 6, we planned to hold a sponsored Fun Run as the children loved this last year and Millie Archibald, who does the weekly morning running club, has once again offered to help us with this. This is arranged for around the Village on Wednesday 6th November, and all children are invited to take part and may wear their PE Kit on this day. Your children can choose to complete one to three laps!

We have attached a sponsorship form to hopefully raise money towards our two chosen worthy causes, The Great North Air Ambulance and Save the Children. It would be marvellous to have as much support/sponsorship as possible but if it is a bit tricky for you to gather sponsors, perhaps an alternative could be a donation for wearing non-uniform. As advised in the RE Ambassadors' Newsletter we will not be fundraising in school for BBC Children in Need or Red Nose/Sports Relief Day this academic year.

HELP REQUIRED PLEASE - sorry we are going to mention the 'Ch.....' Word. As we go into Autumn Term 2 we prepare for our December production and delve into the cupboards to seek out costumes for one and all. We would love to have some sewing help with mending/making/altering these to dress all the children. Please speak to Mrs Campbell if you are able to help with this.

WANSBECK VALLEY FOOD BANK - St Helen's Church now have a collection point in Church for donations of toiletries. If you are able to provide any items for this please hand in your donations when you attend one of our Family Services. The next Family Service will be our Christingle Service on Friday 6th December.

e-SAFETY - we are updating our e-Safety page on the website and will be including links to useful sites giving you information and providing resources and we hope to include useful information on specific topics within the School News

useful sites are: CEOP - <https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>

ThinkUKnow - <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

Childnet - <https://www.childnet.com/>

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/>

USED POSTAGE STAMPS - we continue to collect used postage stamps for recycling for the **Great North Air Ambulance**, one of our chosen charities. Please save them from your correspondence and send them in to go in our post box. Thank you.

DIARY DATES 2019-20

November 2019		
Monday 4 th November	SCHOOL CLOSED to children - Partnership Teacher Training Day	Staff training
Tuesday 5th November	SCHOOL RE-OPENS - Autumn Term 2 UK Parliament Week	
Wednesday 6 th November	Before School RUNNING Club Sponsored Fun Run for children	8:15-8:50 (1 of 7)
Thursday 7 th November	After School BADMINTON Club	3:15-4:15 (1 of 7)
Friday 8 th November	Multi Skills Festival Y1,2 After School FELTING Club	Ponteland Leisure Centre 3:15-4:15 (1 of 3 X 2 over second half Autumn term)
Monday 11 th November	Remembrance Service 1 st swim (YR, 2,3) / gymnastics (Y1) / bouldering wall (Y4) session After School CAKE DECORATING Club	10:45 at the Village Flagpole pm Willowburn Leisure Centre 3:15-4:15 (1 of 3 X 4 over whole Autumn term)
Friday 15 th November	BBC Children in Need	
December 2019		
Friday 6 th December	Family Church Service for Christingle - EVERYONE INVITED	9:00 St Helen's Church
Monday 9 th December	Dress Rehearsal for Christmas Performance	am
Tuesday 10 th December	Christmas Performance with Nursery	am
Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas Performance	pm
Monday 16 th December	New to Nursery Parents Meeting	2:45 in School
Tuesday 17 th December	Federation Day Travelling Theatre Group Pantomime	Longhorsley Village Hall
Wednesday 18 th December	PTA Coffee Morning Christmas Jumper Day and Children's Christmas Party	am pm in School
Thursday 19 th December	Christmas Lunch Special	All children invited
Friday 20 th December	Christmas Service for children School breaks up for Christmas Holidays	9.15 St Thomas Church 3:15
January 2020		
Monday 6 th January	SCHOOL RE-OPENS - Spring Term 1	

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

See also separate Diary Dates for the Academic Year 2019-2020

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS - please note open times for the office are 8:45am to 12:30pm Monday (closed pm due to activities at Willowburn) and Wednesday (closed pm due to financial affairs); then 8:45am to 5:00pm Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

REMINDER '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.

Longhorsley Tree

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
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or leave in the postbox in the Village Hall

