



Longhoughton C of E Primary School
September 2021 Newsletter

We are all getting settled into the new routines of the new school year – it is lovely to have all the children back into school.

A **huge** thank-you to all the staff for their hard work over the summer; everyone has put a lot of time and effort into getting the school ready for the new school year.



PE days for Autumn 1

As you know the children will continue to wear their PE kits to school on their PE day.



Monday – all children as they will have a lesson with the NUFC coach

Thursday – St George Class (Nursery & Reception)

Thursday – St Andrew Class (Y5 & Y6) will be swimming during Autumn 1, a letter will follow with more details.

Friday – St Patrick (Y1 & Y2)

Friday – St David (Y3 & Y4) – Cricket with Tom Vickers



St Patrick Class (KS1) Reading Workshop

Mrs Foy will deliver a reading workshop on Monday 13th September at 9:15am and then again on Tuesday 14th September at 2:45pm in the school hall. At the workshop Mrs Foy will explain the new procedures for reading books and how best to support your child with reading at home. These workshops will be the same so you only need to attend one.

Reception Parent Meeting

On Tuesday 21st September Mrs Whaley will hold a meeting in the hall for Reception parents at 2:30pm. At this session Mrs Whaley will introduce and explain the Read Write Inc phonics scheme and resources. She will explain how the children will be taught their phonics and learn to read and how parents can support this at home.

Phonics & Reading



Jeans for Genes - Friday 17th September

We will be once again supporting the Jeans for Genes charity; the Jeans for Genes campaign raises awareness of the daily challenges faced by those living with a genetic disorder and raises money to fund projects that make a tangible difference to the lives of those affected.

On Friday 17th September Children can come to school in denim bottoms with their school top and bring a donation for the Jeans for Genes charity.

St Patrick Class and St David Class have PE on a Friday but they can still wear their denim and we will adjust the PE lessons accordingly.

COVID19 update

As you will no doubt be aware, Government guidance has been updated prior to the return to school. The updated document 'What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges' can be found through this link <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak>

If you suspect your child has coronavirus or has a positive test

Do not send your child to school if:

- they are showing one or more [coronavirus \(COVID-19\) symptoms](#)
- they have had a positive test result
- there are other reasons requiring them to stay at home, for example, they are [required to quarantine](#)

You should follow public health advice on [when to self-isolate and what to do](#).

The Government guidance also now states:

Individuals are not required to self-isolate if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, or are a close contact of someone with COVID-19, and any of the following apply:

- they are fully vaccinated
- they are below the age of 18 years and 6 months



Dates for the diary

Monday 13 th September	St Patrick Reading Workshop in the hall; 9:15am (please bring a mask)
Tuesday 14 th September	St Patrick Workshop in the hall; 2:45pm (please bring a mask)
Friday 17 th September	Jeans for Genes Day to raise money for the charity
Tuesday 21 st September	Reception Parent Meeting in the hall, 2:30pm (please bring a mask)
Friday 22 nd October	Dress Down Friday – donation to Alnwick District Foodbank
Friday 22 nd October	School finishes for the half term break
Monday 1 st November	School opens

This newsletter can also be read on the school website – www.longhoughton.northumberland.sch.uk – through the 'News & Events' link on the Home page