



Long Lane C.E. Primary School Marston Montgomery Primary School



Newsletter - January 2018

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to school, I trust that you have all enjoyed a relaxing and peaceful Christmas holiday. This is an exciting time for both schools as we begin our formal collaboration. I have enjoyed my first week as head teacher of both schools and am looking forward to working with both schools this year, getting to know the children, parents and staff at Long Lane and working with both schools to develop strong links between them.

This is our first joint newsletter. Newsletters will be sent once a month and will contain the following information – events for both schools during the previous month, events for this month and / or half term with information about what this entails, useful information, the dates when I am planning to be in each school for this month and / or half term.

I am currently planning our first joint event and a letter will be sent soon to inform you of this. The children in both schools are keen to meet each other and show them their school.

Next week, parents at each school will receive an updated dates list for the rest of the academic year.

Long Lane – December 2017

Christmas Nativity (07.12.17)

The children started our Christmas festivities with their Nativity, they all performed beautifully and gave an outstanding performance.

Beauty and the Beast Panto (11.12.17)

The children were extremely well behaved when they went to Derby Live to watch Beauty and the Beast. The pantomime was enjoyed by all our children.

Christmas Dinner (13.12.17)

Mrs Judkins cooked us all a delicious Christmas dinner today, thank you Mrs Judkins.

Christmas Jumper Day (15.12.17)

The school was involved with the Christmas jumper day and it was lovely to see so many different jumpers! We raised £83.21 for Save the Children.

Celebration Assembly (18.12.17)

It was wonderful to celebrate the progress and achievements all our children made during the autumn term. Thank you to all our parents who attended to help us celebrate.

Christmas Buffet and Party (18.12.17)

Again Mrs Judkins provided us with a super Christmas buffet which was followed by a Christmas party with a visit from Father Christmas.

Marston - December 2017

Village Christmas Fair (01.12.17)

The children represented the school well and opened the fair brilliantly, singing the Christmas Carols and songs with great enthusiasm. Thank you to all those who supported the fair, it was a successful event which raised £497.31 for the Village Hall.

Tag Rugby at QEGS (04.12.17)

The children demonstrated their excellent team spirit and worked hard supporting each other at this event.

Hey Ewe! (06.12.17)

Huge congratulations to the Garden Class who performed 'Hey Ewe' with great enthusiasm.

Christmas Bingo (13.12.17)

Thank you to everyone who helped to make our Christmas Bingo a success. It was lovely to see our school family spending time together.

Christmas Lunch and Party (18.12.17)

This was a fun packed afternoon. Mrs Charlesworth cooked a delicious Christmas dinner for us all, Father Christmas visited and we played party games.

Christingle (19.12.17)

Our final celebration before Christmas and the children did a wonderful job of telling us the meaning of the different elements of the Christingle.

Fundraising

Our December fundraising events (the village fair, the raffle and the bingo) raised £190 for school funds.

Long Lane – Events to look forward to this month

Hockey Club starts on 08.01.18: You will already have received information about this. Please remember your shin pads and gum shield.

Breakfast Club starts on 09.01.18 8am: This weekly club will run until half term and this series of sessions is planned to be Archery.

Y6 Maths Booster starting on 09.01.18: Parents have already received information about this weekly club.

Music Lessons restart on 11.01.18: Remember to bring your instruments.

Hockey lessons starting on 12.01.18: Both classes will take part in a hockey lesson every Friday starting this week on Friday 12th. All the children will need to bring their warm PE kits in for this.

Little Monkeys – 16.01.18 at 1.30pm, 13.02.18 & 13.03.18: This is open to any (dry) pre-school aged children (from 2 ½ years of age).

Dance with Miss Hambly 18.01.18: Miss Hambly will help the Junior Class prepare for the dance festival at QEGS.

CHAT Assembly (Tolerance) 22.01.18: Reverend Legh and her team will lead an assembly for the children.

Marston - Events to look forward to this month

Forest Schools: Please refer to the separate letter which you received before Christmas for the dates when your child/ren will be taking part. The children **MUST** have warm, waterproof clothing with them.

Swimming: Will be on the following dates this half term (- **08.01.18, 15.01.18, 22.01.18, 29.01.18, 05.02.18**).

Healthy Champions: Four pupils will attend a 'Healthy Champions Conference' as part of our work to develop our pupils' healthy lifestyles. We look forward to seeing what they share with us after the conference (**10.01.18 at 12pm**).

Derbyshire Fire and Safety: Derbyshire Fire and Safety will lead sessions with both classes (**11.01.18**)

Community Lunch: Members of the local community are welcome to join us for a delicious roast dinner today (**31.01.18 at 12pm**).

Y5/6 Basketball at QEGS: Look out for a letter with more information over the next few weeks (**05.02.18 at 12.30pm**)

Sports Plus Festival at QEGS: Look out for a letter with more information over the next few weeks (**05.02.18 at 4pm**).

Safer Internet Day: The children will learn age appropriate ways to stay safe online today (**06.02.18**)

Non-uniform Day: Children may wear their own clothes to school today in return for a donation, proceeds to go to school funds (**09.02.18**).

Useful Information

Governors

It is with great sadness that I need to inform you, that due to personal circumstances, Sheldon Davies has stepped down as a governor. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sheldon for all he has done for the school and the support he has provided.

Rachael Housley Bates has agreed to take on the role of Chair of Governors.
David Vaughn-Birch has agreed to take on the role of Vice-Chair of Governors.

Teeth

The children have received a 'Change for Life' leaflet about the sugar content in foods and information on healthy snacks. Our children also need to have a tooth brushing routine. The following information is from 'Dental Buddy'. More detailed information can be found by following one of these links - www.dentalbuddy.org or <http://www.dentalbuddy.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/ALL-ABOUT-TEETH.pdf>

"Brushing your teeth

You should brush your teeth last thing at night and at least one other time during the day using a good fluoride toothpaste.

The ideal fluoride level is 1000ppm (parts per million) up to the age of three years old, over 3 years old the level should be 1350-1500ppm.

Change your toothbrush every 3 months or as soon as the filaments begin to splay.

Do not rinse after toothbrushing as this will wash away the fluoride and stop the toothpaste from being so effective.

If you use a mouthwash this should be used at a different time to when you brush your teeth.

The Dentist

Visit your dentist regularly, as often as they recommend.

It is important that you visit your dentist regularly as they can spot any potential problems whilst they are small and easily treated.

Losing teeth is not an inevitable part of ageing, and with a good oral hygiene routine, a good diet and regular dental check-ups, there is no reason why your teeth should not last a lifetime.

Dental decay is an entirely preventable disease.”

Mrs Bosley's Plan

This is the plan for this half term for when I will be at each school, please note that, at times, this may need to change and so is only a provisional timetable. If you would like to speak to me when I am at the other school please speak to a member of staff to see if they are able to help or ask staff to contact me so that I can contact you.

w/b	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
08.01.18	Long Lane	Marston Montgomery	Marston Montgomery	Long Lane	Marston Montgomery
15.01.18	Long Lane	Marston Montgomery	Long Lane	Marston Montgomery	Marston Montgomery
22.01.18	Long Lane	Long Lane	Marston Montgomery	Marston Montgomery	Long Lane
29.01.18	Long Lane	Long Lane	Marston Montgomery	Long Lane	Marston Montgomery
05.02.18	Marston Montgomery	Long Lane	Marston Montgomery	Marston Montgomery	Long Lane
12.02.18 (MM: Half Term)	Course	Long Lane	Long Lane	Half Term	Half Term
19.02.18 (LL: Half Term)	Half Term	Marston Montgomery	Marston Montgomery	Half Term	Half Term

Kind regards

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