



WEEKLY UPDATE

Dear All

Thank you for the many responses we've received to our Anti-Bullying survey. The School Council will shortly look at all the surveys we've carried out, along with Mrs Crowther and me, and we can then decide upon whole school actions. It was so pleasing to read the many positive responses. Following the recent work with the children, as is often the case when we talk about anti-bullying, children have talked to us about their experiences and we continue to support those who feel others have been unkind to them and help them develop their understanding and strategies. I have already received some entries for the Oxfordshire anti-bullying competition, please keep them rolling in by encouraging your child to have a go!

This vital work fits into our development of a 'Growth Mindset' amongst all of us. You will find out more about this next term, but you will have already heard children talk about 'yet'!

Next term we will also give you more information about the developments we have put in place to continue to improve our children's confidence, creativity and skills in writing. You will be aware of the huge changes to the curriculum that were put in place two years ago, and also the significant changes to the end of Key Stage assessments and reporting that took place last year. In the new year you will receive more information about the work we have in place around 'formative' assessment that informs our teaching as well as leading to the summative assessments that you receive. As always, I am impressed at the positive attitude of all our staff to embrace new ideas, to contribute to discussions and developments and work so hard to make sure all our pupils have the most positive and rewarding time at Long Furlong.

This week, there are no sport competitions to report upon, as we head towards the busy-ness of our final few weeks and our Christmas festivities. However, this doesn't mean sport and PE has stopped - despite the rumours still continuing that I have done so! I have signed us up to 'TeamUp' which involves cricket, netball and hockey and we have many fixtures in place for next term as well as our House Events for KS1 later this half term. I feel it is important that our children are engaged in physical activity for their health and well-being. Our Year 6 Sports and Games ambassadors will also share with you their exciting plans for next term.

I enjoyed our Year 3 assembly today. The children showed how much they've learned about The Stone Age and it has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm for history and their keenness to share their knowledge. Thank you to all the children and staff involved.

School News

Last Friday I was delighted to present Star of the Week awards for 'Caring' to Lucas Bertolami, Sophia Wooloff, Emily Brooks, Olivia Ovenden, Georgia Cannon and Elisa Tricklebank. Well done to Oliver Bellamy who was awarded his Bronze Headteacher Award today.



I also wanted to share with you the grand total raised last week for Children in Need—a fantastic £490.63! Many thanks to everyone for their support.

A huge THANK YOU to FOLF for purchasing our new stage. The children and staff are very excited to be rehearsing on it for their upcoming Nativity production. Of course this wouldn't be possible without your generous support of our FOLF events.

On the subject of FOLF events, please don't forget about our Christmas Bazaar next Friday 2nd December. Thank you for the generous tombola donations that you have sent in today. We are still short of people to help on the stalls - please get in touch to offer your assistance even if it is just a short period of time, it all helps!

Kind regards

Mrs Carol Dunne
Headteacher

COMMUNICATIONS THIS WEEK

Anti-Bullying Survey	Main School	Mon 21st Nov (ParentMail)
Nativity Performance Booking	Reception Year 1 & 2	Mon 21st Nov (ParentMail & Hardcopy)
Junk Modelling	Year 1	Tues 22nd Nov (ParentMail & Hardcopy)
Curriculum Letter	Year 2	Tues 22nd Nov (ParentMail)
Curriculum Letter	Year 5	Tues 22nd Nov (ParentMail)
Curriculum Letter	Year 1	Tues 22nd Nov (ParentMail & Hardcopy)
Curriculum Letter	Year 6	Tues 22nd Nov (ParentMail)
Nursery Meeting	Nursery	Tues 22nd Nov (ParentMail)
School Photo Orders	Whole School	Thurs 24th Nov (ParentMail)
Help with 'Shine, Star Shine'	Reception Year 1 & 2	Fri 25th Nov (ParentMail)

COMING UP

Next week is the **last week for after school clubs** (not Badger Club). New clubs will start in Term 2 and full details of what's on offer and how to book will be sent out in early January.

We are holding a Nursery Open Morning next **Tuesday 29th November** from 9.15—11am. So if you know of any family, friends or neighbours with younger children, please let them know. Details are overleaf or ask the office for a flyer. Also on Tuesday, Year 5 pupils will attend the Abingdon Partnership of School's Primary Gym Festival at Abingdon Gymnastics Club in Berinsfield. Pupils will be given the opportunity to use full Olympic gymnastics equipment and watch gymnastics displays.

On **Thursday 1st December**, pupils in Years 1, 2 and 3 will receive their flu nasal spray from the Abingdon School nurses.

Friday 2nd December is a very busy day in school! In the morning the Nativity production 'Shine Star, Shine' will be professionally recorded and Year 6 pupils will participate in the ADSMA Festival of Carols at St Helen's Church. In the afternoon, Year 4 parents and families are warmly invited to their class assembly in the school hall at 2.30pm.

We end the day with the very festive FOLF Christmas Bazaar which runs from 5.30—7.30pm. There will be lots on offer as usual, including the Christmas raffle and Santa's Grotto. Also the traditional tombola and Christmas stall, but with the new and amazing Santa's Smelly Stockings and Lucky Carrot! Refreshments, including Cornish pasties, sausage rolls and cheese and onion pasties plus the usual cakes, mince pies and mulled wine will be available.



CONGRATULATIONS TO....

Mia Thomas-Lopez (Year 3) for achieving her Yellow Belt with Orange Stripes in Karate.



Long Furlong Primary School

Nursery Class

**Come and visit us on Open Morning
(no appointment needed)**

Tuesday 29th November 2016

9.15am – 11.00am

As the Foundation Stage class for the youngest pupils at Long Furlong Primary School, we offer a stimulating and lively environment and enriching curriculum for children aged 3 and 4 years.

Please telephone 01235 532358
or Email

office.2607@long-furlong-oxon.sch.uk

for further details

or visit

www.longfurlongprimaryschool.org.uk

*If your child is under 3 years of age, you may place
their name on our waiting list.*





New Members Welcome

SMASH BADMINTON CLUB



Season Dates

September to March: Saturday mornings in term time

Venue

Sports Hall, St. Helen & St. Katherine's School, Faringdon Road, Abingdon

SMASH is a non-profit making club run by parents for our children on Saturday mornings.

A parent qualified to National Level 1 badminton coaching takes each session.

SESSIONS	AGE GUIDE	TIME
Junior	7 – 11 years Places Available	8:30am – 9:30am
Intermediate	11 – 14 years Places Available	9:30am – 10:45am
Senior	14 – 18 years Places Available	10:45am – 12:00 noon

We are a friendly club for children (7 to 18) run by CRB/DBS checked volunteers and providing great value badminton.

We have a few spaces in each section. First come, first served, and reserve list. New starters will be placed in the appropriate age/skill session.

**Beginners Welcome
First Session Free**

More info @ www.smashbc.org.uk

or
contact

Trudi Woods, Membership Secretary memsec@smashbc.org.uk Tel. 01865 327 592

Chris Nelson, Chairman chair@smashbc.org.uk Tel. 01235 528853



1st Session Free



The hardest part is to go for the first time

Coming back to hockey is easy, we can't wait to meet you

Where

When

How

Informal hockey sessions welcoming beginners and former players



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