



LONGWELL GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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What's in your newsletter this week:

Breakfast Club update

Website update

Family Forum Update

What's on in school next week (22nd February)

On Thursday 25th February there will be special assembly presented by the CLOWNS group of churches.

On Friday 26th February members of the School Council will be visiting Cadbury Heath Primary School to look at the children playing with their 'Playpod'.

What happened in school this week:

On Thursday 25 Bath Spa University teachers joined us for an arts day with the children from years 3 and 4. The teachers led workshops in dance, drama, music and art all based on the theme of Chinese New year, which is taking place on Sunday 14th February. This was a lovely event for all concerned and a highlight of our ongoing partnership with Bath Spa University.

Also on Thursday, 46 children took part in a guitar assembly, organized by their guitar teacher Rob Davies. The performances were of a very high quality and all the children showed great composure. Thank you to Mr Davies for organizing the event.

10 Year 5 children have completed their cycle training this week – hopefully they will now be ready to start cycling confidently more regularly.

Members of the Healthy Eating Team have been keeping a tally of the types of food a sample of children have had in their lunch boxes. They will be using this information to help them think about suggesting some healthier options as part of our School Food Policy.

Breakfast Club update

Breakfast Club is an increasingly popular part of school life here at Longwell Green. Good food is on offer and the children are invited to take part in a range of activities that help to develop them physically, socially and creatively. Parents can use the

club from 7.45 in the morning, no booking required. Those of you who use Breakfast Club will have noticed that we have changed the way we welcome the children in the morning; this has been done so that parents do not need to walk across the hall where children might be playing or carrying food. We hope the system will make it more efficient.

A reminder about Breakfast Club prices:

For entry at 7.45:

£1.25

For entry at 8.30:

50p

Food prices:

Toast	10p
Yogurt	25p
Milk	25p
Juices	35p
Hot chocolate	45p
Cereal	40p
Bacon Sandwich	50p

School Website updates

We have made some changes to the Longwell Green School website which, I hope, will give parents and carers more information and make our diary dates easier to access.

When you visit www.longwellgreenprimaryschool.co.uk you will see a message box on the right hand side which is updated weekly with events going on in school. The Diary Dates section is now accessed from the left hand menu and again is being used more frequently to keep everyone informed about activities within the school community.

Family Forum Meeting

Thank you to everyone who came along to last week's meeting. We had an interesting and productive meeting with lots of feedback. Our aim is to hold a meeting at the beginning of every month.

As requested from previous Family Forum meeting, details of recommended authors/books for children.

www.booktrust.org.uk—'cyberlibrary'

Online directory of recommended websites—books—children's.

Local libraries and staff are also very helpful!

Also included with your newsletter are two activities for children to try over the holiday. Happy reading, crafting and cooking!

Diary Dates for Term 4

Open Afternoons

Wednesday, 24th March 2.45 – 3.30 – **KS2, also Year 2**

Thursday, 25th March 2.45 – 3.30 – **Foundation Stage and Year 1**

Parents' Evenings

Monday, 29th March, 3.30 – 6.00 – **YEAR 2 only**

Tuesday, 30th March, 3.30 – 7.30 – **ALL YEARS (except Year 2)**

Wednesday, 31st March, 3.30 – 5.20 – **ALL YEARS (Year 2 may continue until 6.00 if necessary)**

Sad news

It is with sadness that I have to announce the death of Richard Staight, ex-pupil of Longwell Green School and the son of a governor of the school, Paul Staight. Richard died tragically last week in Portsmouth where he was studying. Many members of staff at the school have fond memories of Richard as a gregarious and fun loving boy. Our thoughts go out to his parents, Paul and Julie, and to other members of his family.