



# LONGWELL GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## What's in your newsletter this week:

- Reflections on a great year in school
- A 'thank you'
- Goodbyes
- School dinners in September

## What's on in school next week:

Next week in school is not until September!

Remember–

children are due back in school on **Friday 3rd September.**

All summer correspondence with school will be dealt with on Wednesday 1st September.

## Good attendance news

Our overall attendance for the year was 96.1%, which we are very pleased with. We have one of the best attendance records in the local authority and is a good indicator of the importance our parents put on regular attendance. Thank you to everyone for your co-operation.

## What happened in school this week:

- Year 6 have been on their residential trip to Stone Farm on Dartmoor. It was an exciting trip, if a little wet! Please visit the school website to find out more about what they did

- The school held its annual Charity Fair on Wednesday, which was organised by Year 5 and run by children from across Key Stage 2. A total of £279.53 was raised on the day, and this money will be used to support education projects in Uganda. Thank you to everyone who supported the fair.

- We enjoyed some of our garden produce at lunchtime. We have had a good crop of onions, potatoes and lettuce, and it has been lovely having this on the menu, particularly as we are keen to encourage children to eat more vegetables. Thank you to Mrs Murdoch and all the helpers who have made our garden so successful this year.

- Our local MP, Mr Chris Skidmore, took assembly for the whole school on Monday. He talked about what he does as an MP and what it is like working in the House of Commons. We hope to see Mr Skidmore back in school again next year.

-Thursday's assembly was taken by a member of the staff at Hanham library, who told the children about all the exciting activities taking place in the library during the summer. Well worth a visit!

-Finally, Friday's assembly was of course the Leavers' Assembly, and it was a sad occasion, saying goodbye to the Year 6 children and Miss May, but it was also good to know that they are all going on to new adventures.

## ***My reflections on a great year***

*This is the conclusion of my second year as headteacher and what a great year it has been! We have eaten the produce from our garden, planted new fruit trees, provided cycle storage, built the 'Crown' and opened the playpod. We have taken part in numerous sporting events, being particularly successful in girls' cricket and boys cross country. There have been wonderful performances, 'How Eddie the Penguin saved the World' and 'The Happy Prince'. We celebrated our carnival arts week and science and inventors week. Finally in classes, we have introduced more accurate ways of checking how children are progressing so we can make sure they all make good progress, whether children find learning easy or need a bit of extra support. All in all the children and staff have worked together brilliantly this year to make Longwell Green a really successful learning community. I wish everyone a very happy holiday, and look forward to seeing most of you again in September. Good luck to all our year 6 leavers– we know they will do us proud as they move onto pastures new.*

Sorry you are leaving.....

As well as saying 'farewell' to Miss May this week; Mrs Rosemary Martin and Mrs Mandy Shail, who form part of our dedicated cleaning team, will also be leaving us at the end of August both having spent 3 years at Longwell Green School. We wish all our departing staff good luck for the future.

All of these colleagues will be sadly missed and I hope you will join me in wishing them every success in the future.

Thank you from Nicola George ...

A huge thank you to all Parents, Staff and Friends who helped us to raise massive £ 6 9 5 . 5 0 Still to add on gift aid. It was a fantastically hot day in Bath, yet our team managed to jog all the way round save for a minute walking up a slope. Finished in 42 minutes. We dressed up for the occasion. I chose a shocking bright pink wig! Thank you to the team including myself, Mrs Bray, Mrs Campbell, Chloe Campbell, Alex Spiller and Val Bretton.



### **SCHOOL DINNERS FOR TERM ONE AND TERM TWO 2010/11**

The cost of hot two-course lunch will increase to **£1.65** per day, **£8.25** per week from September 2010. The kitchen will continue to use the current menu, if you require another copy please enquire at the school office.

IF YOU WISH TO PAY FOR TERMS ONE AND/OR TWO IN ADVANCE THE AMOUNTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

**TERM ONE** –Wednesday 1st September – Friday, 22nd October, 2010 = 38 days @ £1.65 per day = £62.70 (less 3 in-service days - £4.95 (Wed 1<sup>st</sup> & Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> September and Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Oct) –

**TOTAL £57.75**

**TERM TWO** – Monday 1st November, 2010 – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2010 = 35 days @ £1.65 per day = £57.75 (less 1 in-service day - £1.65 (Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov) – **TOTAL £56.10**

TOTAL FOR TERM ONE AND TERM TWO = 69 days @ £1.65 = **£113.85**

#### **Guidelines for children staying for school dinners**

If your child/children are staying to school dinner please send payment to school, on **Monday** mornings, with the eldest child. Please send the money in an envelope clearly marked with **NAME OF CHILD/CHILDREN, CLASS AND DAYS STAYING**; this will avoid any confusion about when dinners are taken. Cash or cheques made payable to **SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNCIL** and not school. Self-seal envelopes are available from the office. Any refunds due to absence will be returned to you at the end of Term 2.