



LONGWELL GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL - Newsletter

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Newsletter Date: : 11th November, 2011

What happened in school this week:

What's in your newsletter this week:

- Year 5 Bristol Water Visit
- NDCF Spellathon
- Armistice Day
- Year 6 Play in a Day
- Staff Absence next week
- Christmas Shoe Boxes
- Football match report
- School Council update
- Diary dates
- Lunchbreak Supervisor vacancies

What's on in school next week:

Thursday; football match against St Anne's

Friday, Children in Need, "Wear Spots, Raise Lots" mufti day

Year 5 Bristol Water Visit

This week Paul from Bristol Water came to visit Year 5 to talk about all things water! We learnt amazing water facts - Did you know the average amount of water used in Bristol a day is 300,000,000 litres? He also taught us about the water cycle and how Bristol Water filters the water that comes through our taps.

We all enjoyed the visit and everyone learnt something new - even the adults.

National Deaf Children's Society Finger Spellathon

On Monday Miss McElroy talked to the children in assembly about the 'Finger Spellathon'. At the end of this newsletter you will find details of a sponsored event to help raise funds for the NDCS. The word lists and further information can be obtained from Miss McElroy.

If you have already taken part in the sponsored event for the Just Different charity please do not feel that you have to take part in this event also.

Year 6 - Play in a Day

Unfortunately the Play in a Day project has had to be cancelled next week, this will now take place at the end of May.

Armistice Day

As part of the commemoration of Armistice Day, the school held a minute's silence at 11 o'clock today which the children managed very well.



Christmas Shoe Boxes

Staff Absence next week:

Friday, Miss Wood will be away at the International Learning Centre at SBL - Miss Ryman will be in W2

Friday afternoon Mrs Cardy will be on a training session -Mr Horn will be in C6

Please could any shoe boxes be brought into school by Friday, 18th November, in order for them to be collected in time to transport to Romania. There are still some labels available in the school office if you would like to prepare a box.

Hanham Abbots v Longwell Green Primary

When we got there we were greeted by the Hanham Abbots football team. It was our kick off and we started well. They intercepted it and had a shot, but it went wide. Charlie K, in goal, passed it to Will, who passed it to Toby then it went to Zach and Harry. It bounced off his foot and hit the post, then it went wide. Three subs came on for Longwell Green - Connor, Mike and Myles. Five minutes later Hanham Abbots scored. Then it was our centre; we passed back from the centre to Charlie E, he passed to Toby, then we had a run of passes before the ball was passed to Charlie E, he shot and he scored. Yeah.

Half time

Then the second half kicked off and Hanham Abbots started it. Hanham Abbots shot but it went wide then there was some more subs with Zach, Toby and Harry came back on. Hanham Abbots scored again and it was 2-1. There was only 5 more minutes left and Hanham were pushing for another goal and they scored; when we kicked off again it was full time.

Match report by Harry and Zach

School Council update

We have different roles and responsibilities within School Council which we would like to share:

Chair - Nathan

Vice Chair - Charlie and Nicole

Secretaries - Kathryn and Abi

Ideas Committee: Jack, Lucy, Charlie H, Emma, Keeley, Haydn, Jake and Levi

Publicity Officers: Holly and Freddie (Air Zone), Danny and Lola (Fire Zone), Emily and Sam (Earth Zone) and Travis and Levi (Water Zone)

Diary Dates for Term 2

Friday, 18th November	Children in Need non-uniform day
Monday, 21st November, 9.15 am	Celebrating Talent assembly
Monday, 21st November, 4.30 pm	Newsletter Focus Group meeting for Parents
<i>Saturday, 26th November, 11.30 - 2.30 FOLG Festive Fayre</i>	
Wednesday, 7th December, 2.15 pm	KS1 Nativity Production (M2, F1, PPR)
Thursday, 8th December, 2.15 pm	KS1 Nativity Production (W2, L1, RR)
Friday, 9th December	School Christmas Lunch
<i>Friday, 9th December, 6.30 - 9.00 pm FOLG Christmas Disco</i>	
Monday, 12th December, 5.00 pm	Behaviour Policy Focus Group meeting for Parents
Tuesday, 13th December, 11.00 am	KS2 Christmas Celebration, United Church (Parents/ carers and family)
Tuesday, 13th, Wednesday, 14th and Thursday, 15th December	School Christmas parties (during school time) - details to follow later
Wednesday, 14th December, 11.00 am	KS2 Christmas Celebration (local community)
Friday, 16th December	Term 2 ends
Tuesday, 3rd January	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TRAINING DAY
Wednesday, 4th January	Term 3 starts for children
Monday, 9th January, 5.00 pm	Reporting to Parents Focus Group meeting

LUNCHBREAK SUPERVISOR VACANCIES

We are looking to recruit 2 permanent lunchbreak supervisors to join our friendly, hardworking team.

Starting Date: Monday, 28th November

Hours: 12.00 – 1.15 pm, 5 days a week, term time only (successful applicants will also be expected to attend regular staff meetings and training sessions)

Salary: Hay 13 (£13,189 pro rata), £6.84 per hour

Closing date for applications: Friday, 18th November

We are also looking to recruit an additional lunchbreak supervisor on a temporary basis

28th November, 2011 until 19th July, 2012 to work from 12.00 to 1.15, 5 days a week, term time only (successful applicants will also be expected to attend regular staff meetings and training sessions)

Salary: Hay 13 (£13,189 pro rota), £6.84 per hour

Closing date for applications: Friday, 18th November

Duties will include:

Helping children with their lunch

Supervising playground and indoor activities

Encourage appropriate manners which support the school's ethos

We are looking to appoint someone who is fully committed to the safety, wellbeing and enjoyment of our children, is supportive of the school's 'whatever the weather' approach and be able to communicate between the children, other lunchbreak staff and the rest of the school staff as necessary.

Longwell Green School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. All post holders are subject to a satisfactory enhanced Criminal Records Bureau Disclosure.

If you are interested in being considered for any of the above positions, or if you are interested in becoming a casual lunchbreak supervisor who we could call on in the case of absence, please apply in writing to Mr Sibley.

If any parent/carer would like to receive a copy of the weekly newsletter in large print, Braille or a language other than English please enquire at the school office.



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Friday 11th November 2011

Dear Parent/ Carer,

NDCS Fingerspellathon – a sponsored fingerspell for a great cause.

This year our school will be taking part in the National Deaf Children's Society Fingerspellathon to raise money for deaf children.

Our Fingerspellathon will be held between 7th- 25th November.

The NDCS Finger spellathon is a sponsored spell. It will help to improve spelling and pupils will learn more about childhood deafness by taking part. The children will also learn a valuable new skill.

Each pupil will be given an appropriate list of words to learn and a sponsorship form. If your child would like to raise money for NDCS, friends and family can indicate on the form how much sponsorship they would like to give.

Please make sure that your child is supervised when contacting sponsors to ensure that he or she is safe and is approaching potential sponsors in an appropriate manner.

Please help us to support NDCS by ensuring that all sponsorship monies are handed in by Friday 2nd December 2011.

Any cheques should be made payable to The National Deaf Children's Society and returned to the school office.

The money we raise will go to a brilliant cause – improving the lives of deaf children and their families throughout the UK.

Remember that NDCS can claim an extra 25p from every £1 donated through Gift Aid. If your child's sponsor is a UK taxpayer please remind them to tick the Gift Aid box on the sponsorship form. If you do not wish your child to take part in the NDCS Fingerspellathon, please contact me. If you would like to find out more about NDCS, please go to www.ndcs.org.uk

Many thanks for your support.

Miss McElroy



