



# LONGWELL GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL -

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## SCHOOL INFORMATION

### School Events next week

**Wednesday, 1st February** - 3.00 - 3.30 Fire Zone open afternoon to view Chinese New Year activities

**Friday, 3rd February** - Science Week assembly

### Staff Absence next week

**Friday, 3rd February** - Miss Lock will be away in the morning, Miss Ryman will be in L1

### Newsletter Focus Group

Following a very positive meeting this week, all the comments received about the new look newsletter have been good. I hope that parents find it easier to understand and more useful.

We have decided not to hold any further meetings of this focus group but welcome any further comments parents would like to make.

### Attendance at School - notifying absence

In accordance with the school's Attendance Policy, parents are reminded of the following:

- If your child is ill, or will not be attending school, please telephone the office on 01454 866460 before **9.15 am** on the first morning of absence
- Please send a letter into school when your child returns explaining the reason or absence

### Diary Dates

**6th - 10th February** - Science Week

**Thursday, 9th February** - Barnardos Day - return sponsor money and wear badges

**Friday, 10th February** - Coffee Afternoon, FS/ KS1

**Friday, 10th February** - End of Term 3

**Monday, 20th February** - Term 4 starts

**Wednesday, 22nd February** - Behaviour Policy Focus Group meeting for parents, 5.00 - 6.00pm

**Tuesday, 28th February** - Clothes for a Cause collection - more details to follow

**Thursday, 1st March** - Reporting to Parents Focus Group meeting for parents 5.00 - 6.00 pm

**Wednesday, 7th March** - Year 4 Visit to Swindon STEAM

**Wednesday, 7th March** - B5 Visit to Sevington Victorian School

**Thursday, 8th March** - M5 Visit to Sevington Victorian School

**Wednesday, 21st March** - KS2 Open Afternoon - 2.45 - 3.30 pm

**Thursday, 22nd March** - KS1/Foundation Stage Open Afternoon - 2.45 - 3.30 pm

**Thursday, 22nd March** - Full Governing Body meeting 6.00 pm

**Wednesday, 28th March** - Parents' Meetings (early evening)

**Thursday, 29th March** - Parents' Meetings (late evening)

**Friday, 30th March** - End of Term 4

**Monday, 16th April** - Term 5 starts

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Information For Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Parents

Your child will have details of an invite to a coffee afternoon on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February. Please could you return the slip attached to the letter, to your child's teacher or the office, as this will help with numbers for catering purposes.

Thank you

### Fire Zone Chinese New Year Celebrations

Please see the report at the end of this Newsletter about the Fire Zone celebrations of the Chinese New Year.

### Barnardos

The school has agreed to help fundraise for the charity Barnardos, which does a tremendous job helping disadvantaged children. We had a visit from Robin Turner, a fundraiser from Barnardos, who invited children to design a badge which will make someone happy, and to do some jobs which will make someone happy, at home or in school. The children will bring home a pack with more information, including a badge to design and a sponsor form. **Robin reminded the children not to ask strangers to sponsor them.**

On Thursday 9th February all children are asked to wear their badges to school and to return any sponsor money. Any child who returns a sponsor envelope will be put in a draw to win a super teddy!

This is a very worthwhile cause and we hope as many children as possible can take part. More information about the work Barnardos do can be found at [www.barnardos.org.uk](http://www.barnardos.org.uk)

### Year 3 Assembly on the Romans

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Year 3 assembly today, it was lovely to see so many people and the children put on a wonderful performance.

### Science Week

Just a reminder that the school will be holding a science week from 6th - 10th February to enhance scientific learning and help raise enquiry skills across the school.

We are looking for anyone who works in a science environment or has some scientific knowledge to come into school to talk to groups of children and help them with their investigations. If you think you would be able to help or know someone who would please contact the school office.

### Budding athletes

Congratulations to the following budding athletes who have been selected to attend The Grange School Partnership Development Academy. Brooke (L3), Ethan (B3), Sam (H4), Ruben (H4), Beth (B5) and Charlie K (B6).

After taking part in a sporting event at The Grange, Lottie in Year 6 was invited to join the South Glos Athletics Squad; having attended regular training sessions and a trial she has been selected to compete for "Avon Stormers" (B team) at the South West Sportshall championships this Sunday, 29th January. Well done Lottie and Good Luck!

Also, congratulations to Charlie K (B6) who has been asked to attend trials at Southampton football club.

### Uganda Quiz

Reminder....the Uganda quiz mentioned in last week's newsletter has a return date of Monday 30th January. Please see last week's newsletter for more information.

# Fire Zone

## CHINESE NEW YEAR

First I went to W2 and I made lanterns. Next I went to M2 and I done some Chinese writing. I was happy.

First I went to Miss Wood's class-room to make lanterns. Next I went to Miss Lock's class.

I made a dragon, we decorated it. My dragon looked good, it was beautiful. Then we went out to play. It looked fantastic.  
By Paige.



First I did the dragon dance. It was hard, it was fun. I enjoyed it. I liked doing my lantern. It was fun decorating it. I loved it in Mrs Murdoch's class. When I made my dragon I was singing a song. I was happy.  
By Heidi.

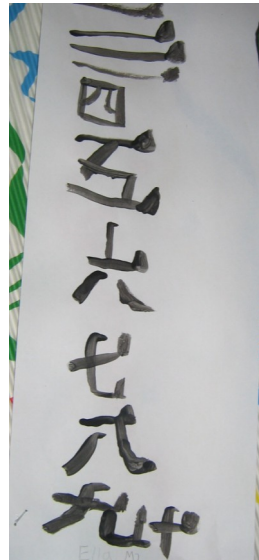
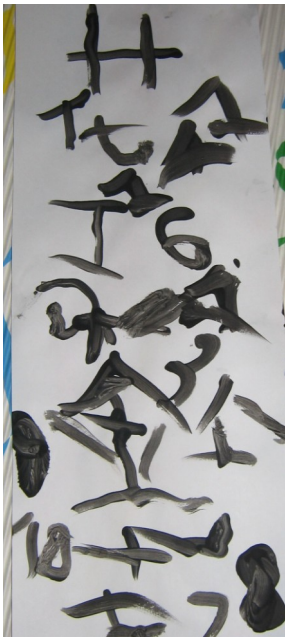
First we went to W2. We made lanterns and we made a dragon.  
By Aaron.

***The children and staff in Fire Zone would like to invite all the parents and younger siblings in to see all the lovely displays of our Chinese New Year activities. Please come in to your child's class anytime between 3pm and 3:30pm on Wednesday 1st February. . Adults will need to sign in via the school office. If you can't make this time let your class teacher know so you can pop in after school on a different evening.***

I liked making my own dragon and my lantern.  
By Kaila.

First I went to M2. Next I did Chinese writing. Then we went to W2. We made lanterns. After that I went to L1. Then we went to the hall. Finally we did the dance and drama.  
By Conal.

We did dance and drama. We had a sheet. It was red. We have to go up and down. Miss Lock told us a story about an old woman. She had no food. A man gave her a magical beetle. It was golden. The man said put it in hot water and wait for three minutes and wish for what you have and it will come true.  
By Briony.



First we had two cloths. Next we got in them. Finally we danced. I felt happy it was fun.  
By Joe.

First I made a red and purple dragon. Next I went to Mrs Murdoch's class and I did some Chinese writing. Then I went to Miss Wood's class and I made a lantern. Finally I went to the hall and did the dance and drama and I listened to a story.  
By Isaac.

First I went to W2. I made a paper lantern. Then I came back for milk and fruit. Then it was playtime. Then I went to Miss Lock's class. Then I went to the hall. Then we did a warm up. Then I learnt why dogs don't like cats. Then I came back and made a dragon. Then I did some Chinese writing. I didn't know which one I liked best because I had so much fun. Then I came back to class and had a story. I had lots of fun. Then I went home for tea. I really enjoyed it. I felt happy.  
By Tilly.

