



## School Newsletter Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024



This week, we celebrated Harvest Festival with a special service in school led by Reverend Richard. For this, each class wrote a prayer based on our Teaspoon Prayers (Thank you, Sorry and Please) related to Harvest which members of each class then read out during the service. We were touched by how thoughtful the prayers were and how confident the children were in reading them out.

### Donaldson Class

In reception, they have been learning their phonics sounds. The first ones they have learned are 's, a, t, p'. They have continued to work on discussing their families, who they spend time with and drawing pictures of the people special to them. In maths, they have begun subitising numbers using 2 and 3 (including learning songs to support with their understanding). This is where you can look at a group of items and know how many there are without counting them individually.

### Jemison Class

In DT, year 1 have continued to work on sliders by looking at pivots and levers. They have also been enjoying learning the different Makaton signs for harvest, thank you, vegetables and good morning. In geography, they have been learning about different types of houses such as detached houses, semi-detached houses and bungalows. They have also created maps of their classroom thinking about the different features that a map has.

### Attenborough Class

In year 2, they have been comparing the Victorian seaside to that of present day and they imagined being a Victorian child on holiday at the seaside. They then took on the role of this child to write a postcard to their family from their imaginary holiday. In DT, they have continued on their Victorian theme by looking at Victorian bathing machines. They considered what they look like and how they work. They then used this information to decide who their user would be if they were to build one.

### Anning Class

In DT, year 3 have been beginning their sewing journey towards making bags. They found this quite tricky but persevered well. They have been researching their namesake, Mary Anning, in science in order to find out more about her life and work with fossils. They were also the proud winners of the cleanest classroom award and received the golden dustpan which is now displayed in their classroom.

### Adepitan Class

Year 4 have adapted brilliantly to having different adults in their classroom this week. While Miss Russell is off sick, we have kept everything as consistent as possible so that the children are able to achieve to their full potential. They have been absolutely amazing all week and have continued with their learning maturely and sensibly. In English, they've continued to work on their newspaper reports and learning about Ancient Egypt to build towards writing their own newspaper report using all the features they have been studying.

### Shakespeare Class

Year 5 have had the pleasure of being joined by Mrs Whitworth for the end of the week as she begins her journey in teaching through the Warwick University PGCE programme. She and Mr Purewal have worked with the children to further their learning in properties of materials through investigating the rate at which different materials dissolve. In geography, they have been working on different scales on maps using rulers and calculating the distance between places using these scales.

### Benjamin Class

Year 6 have had a very interesting time in DT this week when they tasted a range of Indian snacks (samosas, pakoras and onion bhajis) so they could analyse them in order to decide which one to make themselves. In science, they have

continued working on the heart by locating their pulse and discovering how their heart rate changes when they do exercise. They have then collated this data into a table and turned it into a graph to analyse their results.

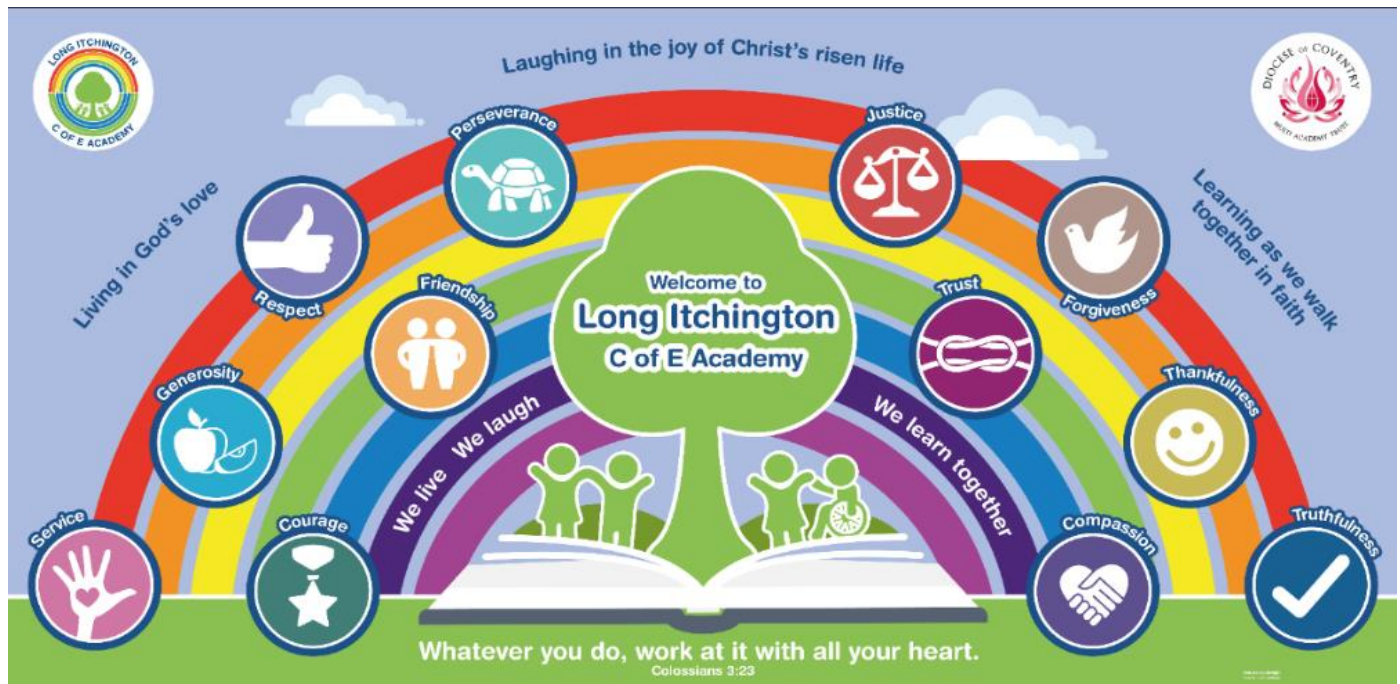
I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Thank you,

Mrs Moss

## Diary dates for this half-term

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	<b>INSET DAY</b>
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	<b>INSET DAY</b>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Children return to school
Tuesday and Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> September	Reception home visits
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> September	Reception intake start school
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	Reception start school full time
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Parent Forum (5pm)
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	SEND clinic -for families with pupils on SEND register to drop in between 9am and 10am
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Behaviour information meeting 9am
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Meet the teacher – 4.30pm (excluding reception)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Phonics Information Meeting for reception and Y1 parents – 9am
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Harvest Festival (in school) 9am – donations for Southam food bank
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	SEND clinic -for families with pupils on SEND register to drop in between 9am and 10am
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Welcome service for Reception class 1.30pm
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	SEND clinic -for families with pupils on SEND register to drop in between 9am and 10am
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual school Photographs
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Official opening of new school building – parents invited from 2pm
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Y6 Class assembly (9-9.30am)
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Parents' Evening (3.30-6pm)
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parents' Evening (3.30 – 6pm)
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>INSET DAY</b>



## Warwickshire Term Dates 2024/25

Teacher training days this year will be:

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January, Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February, Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July

### WCC School Term and Holiday Dates - 2024/25

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Term	Total days
Autumn Term	75
Spring Term	65
Summer Term	55

Half Term	Days
1	40
2	35
3	30
4	35
5	19
6	36
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>

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Sep-25						
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- School Holiday
- Public Holiday
- Teacher Training Day (+3 to be set by school)



Secondary School Induction Day

Menu from Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September – beginning with week 1.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Option One	NEW Vegetable Stack with Rice	Penne Bolognese	Sausages, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Greek Chicken Pita with Rice, Tzatziki & Salad	Fishfingers, Chips & Tomato Sauce
Option Two	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Pasta Salad	Vegan Penne Bolognese	Vegan Sausages, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	or Cheese with Rice, Tzatziki & Salad	BBO Queso with Chips
Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
Dessert	Freshly Chopped Fruit Salad	Apple Crumble with Ice Cream	NEW Berry Mousse	Iced Vanilla Sponge	Vanilla Brioche
Option One	<b>Pasta Kitchen</b> Tomato Pasta or Carbonara Pasta with Toppings	Burger with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Fishfingers Salmon Fishfingers, Chips & Tomato Sauce
Option Two	<b>THE Pasta KITCHEN</b>	Vegan Burger with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Vegetable Wellington, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetable Curry with Rice	Vegetables with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
Dessert	NEW Chocolate Brownie	NEW Iced Biscuit	Fruit Medley	Jelly with Mandarins	Oatmeal Torte
Option One	NEW All-Day Vegetarian Breakfast	<b>FIESTA ESPAÑOL</b> Hot Dog & Wedge Chicken Paella with Potato Brava	Chicken Roast Potatoes or Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	NEW Chicken Fajitas with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Option Two	Vegan Chili with Rice	<del>Hot Dog &amp; Wedge</del> Veggie Meatballs with Potato Brava	NEW Meat Balls Paella & Sweet Potato Loaf with New Potatoes or Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	Macaroni Cheese	Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips
Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
Dessert	Fruit with Ice Cream	Syrup Snap Biscuit	Fruit Platter	Chocolate Shortbread	Summer Lemon Cake



# Stars of the Week



All of Benjamin Class were Star of the Week this week because of their generosity and service when working with Donaldson Class as their buddies.

