



School Newsletter Friday 4th October 2024



We come to the end of another great week at Long Itchington! Our sporting events were kick-started this week with five in a week! The boy's football team, the girl's football team, the netball team and the year 5 hockey players have all been very busy with their different competitions which Mrs Hill and Mr Purewal have organised and run. This follows the cross-country event last Saturday which saw 12 of our year 5 and 6 children competing in very muddy conditions. We're looking forward to another fantastic year of sports with opportunities for as many children as possible coming up throughout the year and we're very proud of all the children who get involved in these events.

Donaldson Class

Alex told me, "We're reading the Little Red Hen. He finds a grain of wheat and plants it. He asks his friends to help him but they say no. He plants it by himself and it grew and it grew and it grew until the Little Red Hen had to cut the wheat." Donaldson class have been busy learning the actions for the Little Red Hen ready for their Welcome Service in Church on Wednesday.

Jemison Class

Albie, Arton and Henry told me, "We learned about eyes in science. The parts we learned are eyebrow, iris, eyelash, pupil and eyelid. That was interesting." In English they are using the text 'The Cautious Caterpillar'. Orla, Elsie, Aubrey, Hallie and Emily told me, "The caterpillar in it is called Cody. He meets a ladybird, a grasshopper and a bee. Then he decided to be brave and go in his cocoon to turn into a butterfly. He sits next to the bee, he flies with the ladybird and he lands on the ground with the grasshopper. He met another caterpillar and told it what the other creatures told him about being brave and turning into a butterfly."

Attenborough Class

Sophie, Finn and Tilly told me, "We have been learning about Queen Victoria's bathing machine. It's on the wall in the classroom. It's a book that we read on the board. It's a very hot day and Queen Victoria wants to go for a swim. Prince Albert wants to make her a machine that transfers her there because all of her layers would just make her sink. That's when the bathing machine was first made. He pushed her into the sea and then she dived in. Some fishermen saw her and they believed it was their queen." "In maths, we have been learning to count in tens. We went up to 100. A few days ago we were counting in 3s, 5s and 10s. We've also been doing number bonds to 5 and 10. It was quite easy because lots of us know how to get to 5 and 10."

Anning Class

Year 3 are in the process of making tote bags using the running stitch technique. Oliver and May told me, "We're planning our bags at the moment. We had 4 things to think about; How would we make it, resources needed, what will they be used for and how could you make it better." Asher told me, "We are going to decorate our bags using pens." They are busy completing their planning and instructions so that they know the order that they need to complete their bags.

Adepitan Class

In year 4, they're busy making their prototype for their Ancient Egyptian information book which uses levers and linkages to move parts of it. Laura, Max, Henry and Harry told me, "We're doing a year 4 - year 6 information book. We're using card, split pins, glue and a ruler to make it. It's going to have different levers and linkages in it." Miles told me, "We're making Egyptian books which have linkages. We're doing the prototypes now and then we're going to make the book with levers and linkages soon."

Shakespeare Class

In year 5, they have been working hard on planning how to create their fairground rides in DT. Amiah and Darcy told me, "We're going to have straws sticking out so that you can move the animals up and down. We're going to use card for the bottom and make it like a big ice cream cone so that it's pointy." Brayden and Jake told me, "We're doing a prototype. We're practising making our own fairground ride. In our real one we'll use motors."

Benjamin Class

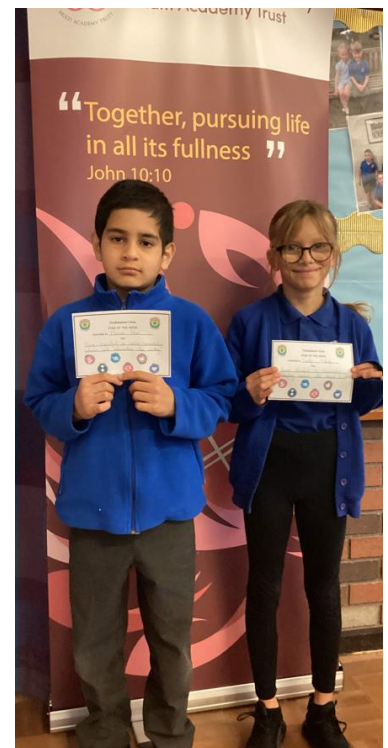
Benjamin Class started their week with some practice SATs tests as part of the ongoing assessment process within year 6. These are designed to support them in understanding what the papers at the end of the year look like, the style of questions they will be expected to answer and to help Miss Howell and Mrs Moss to understand which aspects of the curriculum need to be re-taught to support the children. They were amazing at tackling these papers and worked with all their hearts to persevere through them, even when they found it difficult. We are very proud of them! Tilly told me, "I think some parts were difficult because we haven't learned it all yet. I probably found the reading one easiest." Jack said, "I thought they were pretty good. They weren't too easy but they weren't too hard. They were in the middle."

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Thank you,
Mrs Moss

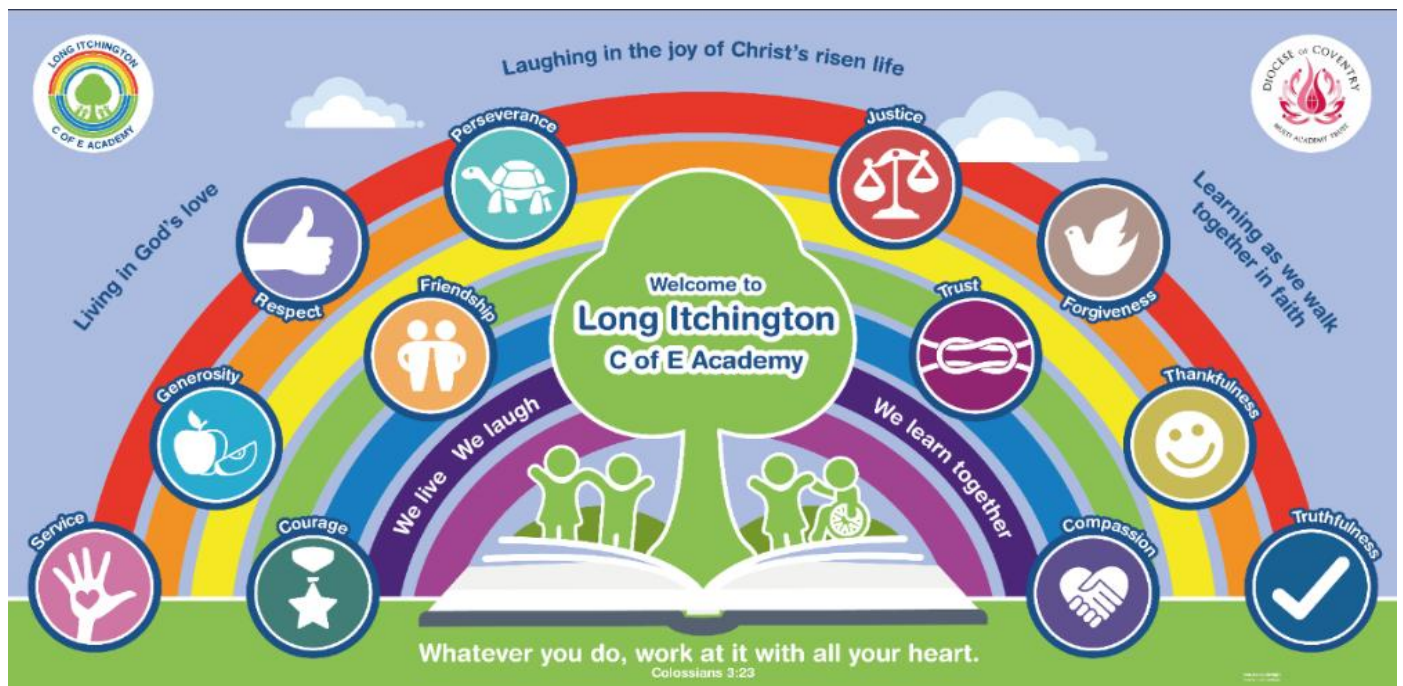


Stars of the Week



Diary dates for this half-term

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



Warwickshire Term Dates 2024/25

Teacher training days this year will be:

Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September, Friday 25th October, Monday 6th January, Monday 24th February, Monday 21st 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
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5	19
6	36
Total	195

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



Secondary School Induction Day

Menu from Wednesday 4th September – beginning with week 1.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Option One	NEW Vegetable Stack with Rice	Penne Bolognese	Sausages, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	YAMASI 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 WHF 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	Pasta Kitchen 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	THE PASTA KITCHEN	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	FIESTA ESPAÑOL Hot Dog & Wedge Chicken Paella with Potato Brava	Chicken Roast Potatoes or Mashed Potatoes & Gravy NEW Meat Balls Paella & Sweet Potato Loaf with New Potatoes or Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	NEW Chicken Fajitas with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Option Two	Vegan Chili with Rice	Hot Dog & Wedge Veggie Meatballs with Potato Brava	Vegetables of the Day	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