



School Newsletter Friday 22nd November 2024



Another fantastic week of learning and fun has been and gone here at Long Itchington! The children are now well versed in the different topics being studied in each of their subjects and they are throwing themselves into their learning with great enthusiasm. I've been very excited to see the beginnings of the rehearsals and song practice for our Christmas performances which are coming up in the next few weeks and I'm really looking forward to seeing the progress made from this beginning point to the final shows. Below are just a few of the exciting things that we've been up to in school this week!

Donaldson Class

In EYFS, we have continued our Superhero learning by reading more Supertato books, making evil peas and creating our own super vegetables. We have also been learning about real life Superheroes and were lucky enough to have a visit from Southam Firefighters when we learnt how they save people and animals in lots of different ways. We got to go in the fire engine and squirt the hose.



Jemison Class

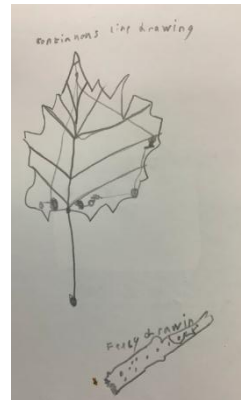
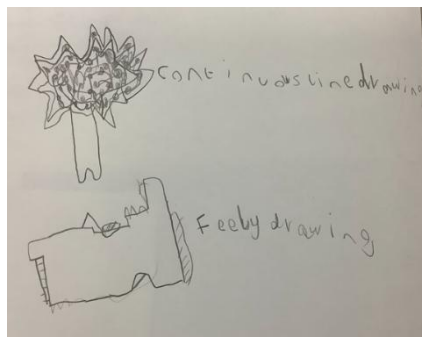
This week in Jemison class we have had two visitors in school. First, the gingerbread man visited our classroom so we have been very busy writing letters to tell the police he has been seen in our school. The second visitor was the fire brigade! The officers showed us around the fire engine and even let us have a sit inside.





Attenborough Class

In art this week, year 2 continued our art project inspired by Andy Goldsworthy and went outside and collected an interesting leaf and stick. Then in our art books we had a go at drawing the leaf using a technique called continuous line drawing which meant our pencil couldn't leave the page. We drew the stick using a technique called feely drawing which meant we had the stick behind us and could only draw what we felt with our hands.



Anning Class

In Anning class this week, we have been focusing on 'Stone Age Boy' as our model text and we have been story mapping it before completing our shared write. In history, we have been looking further at the stone age and moved from the Neolithic period to the Bronze age which linked nicely with our art topic where we have been using charcoal to create our own cave art. The children loved this!



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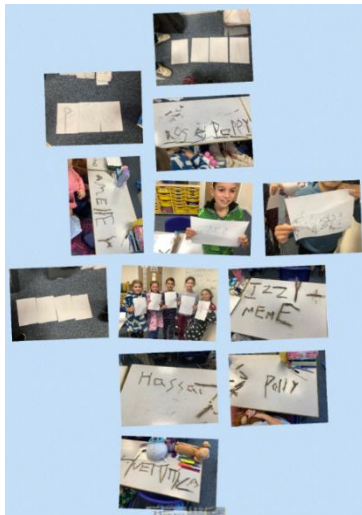
In Adepitan class this week, we have been thinking about working as a team effectively. We worked in pairs to try and stand up at the same time- we had to focus on communication and collaboration. Then we pretended to be human machines and had to complete a task in a group of 4. We discussed ways to share ideas and consider everyone's role to help get the best end results.





Shakespeare Class

Shakespeare Class have been learning about typography in their art lessons. Last week, we used twigs as inspiration and then created our own words from them. We looked at how twigs were shaped and the small distinct features that makes each stick different. Then, from this, we moved onto drawing and writing lowercase and uppercase letters on pieces of A4 paper. In today's lesson, we used maps as a stimulus for children to draw pictures using lines and shapes. They really focussed on shading and markings as part of this. To top off our week, we had the news that we will be visiting the National Space Centre in Leicester on the 11th December as part of our astronomy topic in Science. How exciting. To infinity and beyond!



Benjamin Class

This week in Year 6, we have had a very interesting history lesson where we looked at the evacuation of children to the countryside during WW2. We looked at some data showing the numbers of evacuees at different times during the war and tried to work out why numbers rose and fell at different times. We also looked at the experiences of lots of evacuees and judged whether they had positive or negative experiences of their evacuation. We were shown some propaganda about evacuation and looked at the message behind it and why it was released.





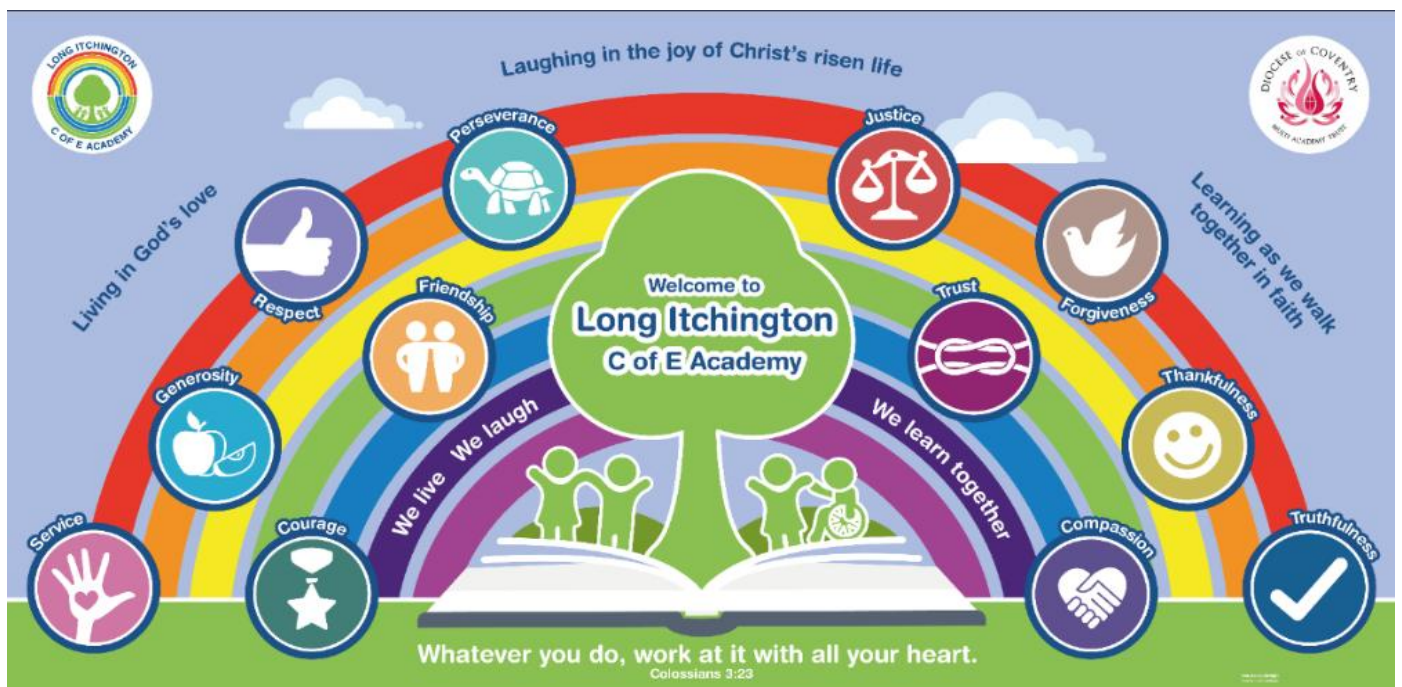
Stars of the Week



Diary dates for this half-term

Monday 4 th November	Return to school
Wednesday 6 th November	SEND clinic -for families with pupils on SEND register to drop in between 9am and 10am
Thursday 7 th November	Curriculum afternoon for parents/grandparents 2-3.15pm
Tuesday 12 th November	Odd socks day (antibullying week)
Wednesday 13 th November	Reception Admissions 2025 (Tours by appointment)
Friday 15 th November	Children in Need (activity tbc)
Wednesday 20 th November	SEND clinic -for families with pupils on SEND register to drop in between 9am and 10am
Wednesday 20 th November	Reception Admissions 2025 (Tours by appointment)
30 th November and 1 st December	Christmas trail weekend (tbc by School Association)
Wb. Monday 2 nd December	Assessment Week
Wednesday 4 th December	SEND clinic -for families with pupils on SEND register to drop in between 9am and 10am
Wednesday 4 th December	Movie Night – tbc by school association
Thursday 5 th December	Y5 Class assembly (9-9.30am)
Wb 9 th December	Christmas Wrap Room – details tbc by School Association
Tuesday 10 th December	Christmas Performance (tbc - am)
Thursday 12 th December	Christmas Performance (tbc - pm)
Friday 13 th December	End of Autumn report out to parents
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Lunch (tbc)
Friday 20 th December	End of Term

Monday 23rd December – Friday 3rd January 2025 Christmas Holiday



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
1	40
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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 Monday 4th November – beginning with week 1.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Central Autumn Winter Menu 2024 2025					
WEEK ONE					
04/11/24	NEW Tomato & Vegetable Pasta	Cottage Pie with Gravy	CHICKEN SHACK Peri Peri or BBQ Chicken or Quorn with Diced Seasoned Potatoes & Sweetcorn Salsa	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Rice	Salmon Fishingers/ Fishingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
25/11/24	Fajitas with Rice	NEW Creamy Chickpea and Coconut Curry with Rice	Vegetables of the Day	NEW Cheese and Broccoli Pasta with Garlic Bread	Cheese & Beans Puff Pastry with Chips & Tomato Sauce
16/11/24	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
20/01/25	Blackberry and Apple Crumble with Custard	Melting Moment Biscuit	Fruit Platter	Carrot and Courgette Cake	Chocolate Orange Cookie
10/02/25					
10/03/25					
31/03/25					
WEEK TWO					
11/11/24	Classic Cheese and Tomato Pizza	NEW Chicken Pasta Bake with Garlic Bread	Sausage and Mash with Gravy	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	NEW Tuna Pasta Bake or Fishingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
02/12/24	Or Rainbow Pizza	Vegetable Curry with Rice	Vegan Sausage and Mash with Gravy	NEW Mtd Chili with Rice	Cheese and Tomato Quiche with Chips & Tomato Sauce
06/01/25	With Potato Wedges	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
27/01/25	Vegetables of the Day	Jelly with Mandarins	Fruit Medley	Peach Cake	Oaty Cookie
24/02/25	Marble Sponge Cake with Custard				
17/03/25					
07/04/25					
WEEK THREE					
18/11/24	Macaroni Cheese	NEW Mtd Caribbean Chicken with Rice and Peas	Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese	Breaded Fish with Chips & Tomato Sauce
09/12/24	Plant Balls in Tomato Sauce with Rice	NEW Caribbean Butterbean Stew with Rice and Peas	Vegan Cottage Pie with Gravy	NEW Hot Pot Baked Bean Casserole with Rice	Cheese and Pepper Omelette with Chips & Tomato Sauce
13/01/25	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
03/02/25	Chocolate and Beetroot Brownie	Sticky Toffee Apple Crumble with Custard	Fruit Salad	NEW Savoury Cheese Scone	Vanilla Shortbread
03/03/25					
24/03/25					
MENU KEY	Added Plant Power	Wholemeal	Vegan		
	Available Daily: Fresh Bread – Salad Selection – Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt				
	<p>ALLERGY INFORMATION: If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for our child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of cross contamination.</p>				