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Newsletter – May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been another busy and exciting half term at Longstone and, like always, it has flown by. School will **close for the half term break on Friday 26 May 2023 (today!). We reopen on Tuesday 6 June 2023** (we are closed on Monday 5 June for a staff INSET day). We wish you all a happy and healthy holiday and we hope you enjoy the sunshine and good weather that has been forecast!



Diary dates attached

Diary dates for the second half of the summer term can be found at the end of the newsletter. Please also find next year's key term dates including when school will be closed for staff training.

School Logo

You will have received a letter about the new school logo as created, developed and voted for by our school community. Our new vision continues to come to life through the corridors and classrooms of the school. The letter also explains about our new uniform range. Rest assured, there is no requirement to purchase any uniform displaying the new logo. Plain coloured uniform from any high street supermarket or store also follows uniform guidelines. Children are also welcome to wear uniform displaying the old logo. However, any new uniform ordered moving forwards will have the new logo embroidered on it. You can view the new school uniform range here: <https://logoleisurewear.com/product-category/schools/schools-longstone-c-of-e-primary/>



New School Website

We are very excited to soon reveal our brand-new website. This will include some magnificent new photos of our children and school. A big thanks to one of our parents, Gareth Earnshaw (Ginger & Fizz photography), who donated his time and expertise to spend a day in school capturing some fantastic images. You will see the wonderful results on our new website. We will let you know when we go live!

Year 2 and 6 SATs

The Y2 and Y6s recently took their end of key stage SATs. We are so proud of their determination and eagerness to do the best they can. Well done to all the children (and staff) for their hard work. Thanks to all the parents who helped support too.

Year 4 Multiplication Table Check

The Y4s will be taking the statutory Multiplication Table Check the week beginning Monday 12 June. Parents of pupils in year 4 should have received information about this check.

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

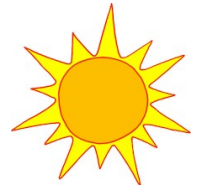
The Y1s will be taking their statutory phonics screening check the week beginning Monday 12 June,

Tempest photographer for Y6s

Our photographer will be returning to school on Tuesday 6 June to take photos of the Year 6 group again as quite a few of the children were absent last time – and it will be their last opportunity before they leave us!

Be Prepared!

One of the 'joys' of this country is the unpredictable weather. Despite it being the summer term, it has been quite mixed so far. Please ensure your child has a coat in school each day when necessary as we like to get the children outside as much as we can. Likewise, if we get a spell of hot and sunny weather, please ensure children have hats and that sun cream is applied before school. We also recommend that children wear closed toe sandals to avoid trips and knocks.



Class organisation for next year

We are in the process of deciding class organisation for next year and will notify you by the end of June of the arrangements for September 2023. We are holding a whole school transition day on Wednesday 5 July when children will get to spend time in their new class.



Buxton Music, Speech and Drama Festival

We recently took our school choir to the Buxton Festival to celebrate and perform with our wonderful musicians. The choir came away with a distinction and we also had children placed in high positions in singing and piano. Well done to our wonderful performers and a massive thanks to the staff, adult volunteers and parents who organized, conducted, supported and made this amazing opportunity happen.

Flower Festival

Longstone pupils contributed to this year's village 'Flower Festival' (13th - 20th May) with some great art work on display at St. Giles church based on the theme of 'hobbies'. Thanks to the children for their creative efforts and the adults who helped organise and display. A great community event.



King's Coronation

Thanks to everyone who joined us for the King's Coronation celebration events on Friday 5 May. The weather was fine despite downpours earlier in the day and there were some very fancy picnics on display! As part of our school celebrations, the pupil parliament planted a commemorative oak tree, kindly donated by a Longstone resident, on the field. Thanks to FOLS who also supplied every child with a commemorative bookmark.

Sport at Longstone

Many of our children have once again taken part in a range of sporting events this half-term. This has included county athletics, mini tennis, sporting fundamentals, cricket and the football Bunting Cup.

Well done to all the children who have taken part in these sports events and thanks to the staff who have organized and supported. We are very proud of you all and in particular of the level of sportsmanship that has frequently been shown at these events.



Kind regards

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Longstone Primary School Diary Dates Summer Term 2023

Half Term 6 (35 days)

Diversity Theme - LGBT+

Citizenship Theme - Self discipline

Monday 5 June 2023	SCHOOL CLOSED - WHOLE SCHOOL TRAINING
Tuesday 6 June 2023	Start of half term – School Open to pupils at 8:50am After School and lunchtime clubs continue Y5/6 Elder Liverpool residential meeting for parents – 5pm Y6 Elder RSHE (Relationships, Sex and Health Education) meeting for parents – 5:30pm
Wednesday 7 June 2023	Swimming for Dahl Y2 children resumes Longstone new parent meeting (Reception September 23) – 6pm
Thursday 8 June 2023	Resource Management governor meeting at 1pm SSP Triathlon – Anthony Gell – invited Y5/6 pupils
Monday 12 June 2023	Little Gruffalos for new reception 13:30 – 14:45 – Session 1 Year 1 Phonic Screening Check Week Year 4 MTC (Multiplication Tables Check) week
Thursday 15 June 2023	Reading together session for parents – all welcome 8:50 – 9:10am
Friday 16 June 2023	Weekly Celebration Assembly resume (each Friday at 09:10am)
Citizenship Theme – Gratitude	
Tuesday 20 June 2023	Year 6 transition ‘Taster’ to LMS – all day Little Gruffalos for new reception 13:30 – 14:45 – Session 2
Wednesday 21 June 2023	Full Governing Body meeting – 6pm SSP Grass Track Cycling - Whitworth Park – invited Y5/6 pupils – am
Thursday 22 June 2023	Y5/6 Greenaway Day at LMS – am only
Monday 26 June 2023	Wild Week - TBC RSHE sessions delivered to year 6
Tuesday 27 June 2023	Y5/6 Elder Residential to Liverpool (return Wednesday 28 June)
Thursday 29 June 2023	Cluster Cricket Multi Skills Festival at Longstone 12:30 – 3:30pm – year group TBC
Friday 30 June 2023	Little Gruffalos for new reception 13:30 – 14:45 – Session 3
Citizenship Theme - Honesty	
Monday 3 July 2023	Summer Showcase Musical Concert – 6:00pm
Tuesday 4 July 2023	Year 6 transition ‘Taster’ to LMS – all day Year 5 Halle Orchestra visit – in Manchester
Wednesday 5 July 2023	Whole School Transition Day Little Gruffalos for new reception 09:30 – 13:15 – Session 4

Thursday 6 July 2023	Y5/6 Cluster Rounders Festival at Rowsley – 12:30 – 3:00pm
Monday 10 July 2023	RE Week Well Dressing Week Reading together session for parents – all welcome 3:00pm
Tuesday 11 July 2023	KS2 SATs results published
Wednesday 12 July 2023	KS2 Performance 2pm and 6pm – ‘Aladdin Trouble’ Curriculum and Standards Governor meeting – 6pm School reports to go home
Thursday 13 July 2023	Sports Day
Friday 14 July 2023	Rowling Visit to Crucial Crew FOLS Summer Sizzle
Citizenship Theme - Reflection	
Monday 17 July 2023	Parents Evening 3:30pm – 5:00pm (Drop in – no appointment required)
Tuesday 18 July 2023	Citizenship of the term assembly – 9:10am Sports Day (reserve date)
Wednesday 19 July 2023	Y6 visit to the Houses of Parliament – details TBC
Thursday 20 July 2023	Leavers Assembly – 2.00pm
Friday 21 July 2023	Y6 Leavers Treat - TBC School closes for summer holiday
Summer Holidays – Monday 24 July 2023 – Monday 4 September 2023	

Please note: this diary is subject to amendments



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Longstone CE (VA) Primary School Terms and Holidays 2023/24

Half Term 1 (39 days)	
Monday 4 September 2023	Whole School Training Day – School Closed to pupils
Tuesday 5 September 2023	Start of Autumn Term 1 – School Open to pupils
Thursday 26 October 2023	End of half term
Friday 27 October 2023	Whole School Training Day – School Closed to pupils
Half Term Holiday – Friday 27 October 2023 – Friday 3 November 2023	
Half Term 2 (34 days)	
Monday 6 November 2023	Start of Autumn Term 2 – School Open to pupils
Thursday 21 December 2023	End of term
Friday 22 December 2023	Whole School Training Day – School Closed to pupils
Christmas Holiday – Friday 22 December 2023 – Friday 5 January 2024	
Half Term 3 (30 days)	
Monday 8 January 2024	Start of Spring Term 1 – School Open to pupils
Friday 16 February 2024	End of half term
Half Term Holiday – Monday 19 February 2024 – Monday 26 February 2024	
Half Term 4 (23 days)	
Monday 26 February 2024	Whole School Training Day – School Closed to pupils
Tuesday 27 February 2024	Start of Spring Term 2 – School Open to pupils
Thursday 28 March 2024	End of term
Easter Holiday – Friday 28 March 2024 - Friday 12 April 2024	
Half Term 5 (29 days)	
Monday 15 April 2024	Start of Summer Term 1 – School Open to pupils
Monday 6 May 2024	School Closed (May Day Bank Holiday)
Friday 24 May 2024	End of half term
Half Term Holiday – Monday 27 May 2024 – Monday 3 June 2024	
Half Term 6 (36 days)	
Monday 3 June 2024	Whole School Training Day – School Closed to pupils
Tuesday 4 June 2024	Start of Summer Term 2 – School Open to pupils
Tuesday 23 July 2024	End of term