



23 September 2016

# Longmeadow Newsletter

## Message from the Headteacher

On Monday children will have a special assembly led by the NSPCC all about Safeguarding. These are age-appropriate, delivered separately to Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. The following week, Years 5 and 6 will have special workshops. I am sure you will agree we should regularly remind children how to keep themselves safe. Perhaps you could ask your child what they have learned.

May I remind parents to park considerately and legally near our school. Rather than block residents' driveways, why not use the shopping car park? Please note there may be additional parking patrols in future weeks.

Mr Rosendale, our Road Crossing patrol, will be retiring at the end of this half term after many years service. Sam from the Friends of Longmeadow has put a card in the office; do pop in if you would like to sign it.

Golden Mile is FAB!!! I joined in with Upper and Lower Key Stage 2 sessions this week and really enjoyed my run. I'll be joining Key Stage 1 next week. There are so many enthusiastic children joining in, keeping themselves busy and getting fitter.

I hope to see you at Head-Parent Conversation meetings next week: Wednesday 28th at 9:00 am and 6:00 p.m. Our new SENCo, Mrs Young, will attend, and we'll talk about Uniform and our new Vision and Values.

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## Information

- ☺ Swimming - Starts back 13 Sept - £3.35pw
- ☺ Dinners Years 3-6 £2.30 per day
- ☺ Find us on Facebook - Official Longmeadow Primary School

## Dates for your diary

Tempest Individual Photos	28 Sept
Year 5 Assembly @ 2.30pm	7 Oct
KS1 Halloween Disco	21 Oct
4.30pm - 6.00pm	
KS2 Halloween Disco	21 Oct
6.30pm - 8.00pm	

## Crucial Crew



Year 6 children attended a Crucial Crew event held at Bowes Lyon House on Monday 19 September. Here they took part in fun exercises based around 10 different scenarios, including personal safety and environmental issues. All the children were well behaved and learned lots of new life skills and experiences.

## Attendance

*Top class for attendance week ending  
16th September is Purple Class with  
100% Well done !!*

**Purple**

## School Census

There are new statutory requirements for us to report information such as a child's country of birth. You may be contacted by Mrs Higham if we need essential information prior to the Census. Data is used for DfE reporting only - see the Privacy Notice on our website.

# Sports News

Year 5/6 FOOTBALL

Boys 5/6

Longmeadow

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Ashtree

29 September 2016



## Whole School Award

We have been awarded the **GOLD** School Games Mark, which reflects the continuing fabulous development and progress made in our sporting provision over the last year. Well done to Miss Dyble and Mr Baker who lead this aspect of school life.

**CLUBS:** Can parents / pupils hand their club money into the class or office by the morning of the club.

## Other News / Reminders

**For parents and carers of children with SEND (Special Educational Needs or Disability)** - The latest edition of HAND, the online newsletter from Hertfordshire Additional Needs Database, is now published. It contains news for parents of children with additional needs, such as free courses for parents, inclusive activities for children and much more. Read all about it in the September edition of HAND News, via this link (*control and click*):

[www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/handnews](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/handnews)

**Free parent courses** to help families support children with SEN at home:- Please see the notice board in the main office entrance or ask to speak to Mrs Young, our SENCo.



**A Message from Magical Maths:** It was great to visit Longmeadow Primary School on Friday and I'm pleased to say that I think the children really enjoyed our presentations to them. My colleague Mark and I must comment on how well behaved and responsive the students of your school were; please send this thanks on, they were such a credit to you all!

## HARVEST FESTIVAL 2016

On Wednesday 12 October we are once again inviting some of the elderly residents of Pitt Court to join us in school to listen to the younger children singing their Harvest songs.

As in past years, we hope to provide our guests with a 'Harvest box' to take home. This year we are particularly collecting tea bags, sugar, coffee and packets of biscuits or cakes. If every child could bring in one or two items we could be sure of giving some of our local elderly residents a great deal of pleasure and happy memories for the cold winter months. Thank you.

## Travelling Book Company

**From 22 to 28 September the Travelling Book Company will be visiting the school. The children will be able to look at the books with their class during school time and you will be able to purchase books after school in the main hall if you wish.**



**If you have any 1 pint clean plastic milk cartons and clean tin cans for the Breakfast Club for their arts and crafts, they would be very grateful. Please send in as usual. Thank you.**

## AUTUMN DATES

Half Term Monday 24 to 28 October 2016

Christmas Break 22 December - 6 January (Back on 9 January)

Miss A. Heywood  
Interim Headteacher

Mrs S. McDermott  
Deputy Head