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Langtoft Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

And so the great snow did not arrive after all. Later on in this newsletter, I have reproduced the reminder from last month's newsletter about how you will be informed if the school has to close due to severe weather. Please take a moment to become familiar with our procedures.

The cold weather has not stopped our great run of sporting success. There appears to be no stopping our teams as they compete in School Games events. When you consider that many of our competitors come from schools with two or three classes per year group, it makes one appreciate just how hard our children work. Please look out for a write-up about netball, dodgeball and swimming further in this newsletter.

PARENT/TEACHER CONSULTATION REQUEST

FORMS SENT HOME TODAY

We look forward to being able to update you on the progress your child is making during the next round of Parent/Teacher Consultation appointments at the end of the month. We will update you on how well your child is working within the expectations we shared, especially with regard to homework, to reading and to attendance. **A paper**

copy of the appointment request form has been sent home today in the book bag of your eldest child as well as an attachment to a ParentMail message sent earlier today. Please return your request to the black post box in the Main Entrance by Thursday 7 February.



This year we are offering three Parent/Teacher Consultation appointments to our families: the traditional Autumn and Spring ones and an extra third one in Summer. If well attended and useful to you, we shall endeavour to offer the third appointment as a regular fixture in our annual school calendar.

Please note that we shall no longer be inviting children in Key Stage 2 to attend the consultation alongside their parent as we are intending to be very explicit about the standard at which your child is working and do not wish to upset any children by doing so in front of them.

'NO PAPER' DAY BEING A GLOBAL CITIZEN

As we continue on our journey to becoming a fully-fledged Rights Respecting School, we turn our attention to what it means to be a 'global citizen'. The children are learning of the Global Goals for sustainable development and how their actions impact on our planet.

Mrs Wells writes: With this in mind, we will be holding a series of 'Theme Days'. The first, on **Monday 4 February**, will focus on **Global Goal 12, RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION**. On this day we will continue with learning as usual; however, we will not be using any paper. This means: no exercise books, no reading books, no text books, no photocopied sheets or letters home. Instead, there will be alternative and inventive ways to explore the curriculum.

The big question is: *What impact can we have by doing this?* Can we manage a whole day without paper? Are we too reliant on paper? And how much paper could we save? It looks like we will have a very interesting day ahead of us.

SAFEGUARDING INTRODUCING FAMILY LINE



Family Action's **FamilyLine** service has launched and is excited to be offering free support and guidance on all aspects of family life to parents and carers across England and Wales.

The FamilyLine service provides Helpline, Befriending and Counselling support via telephone, email and text message. The service is free and available 6pm - 10pm on weekdays and 10am - 1pm on weekends.

Please contact us to learn more about the support we have to offer.

Call: 0808 802 6666

Text: 07537 404 282

Email: familyline@family-action.org.uk

Visit: www.family-action.org.uk/familyline



MINI POLICE BIKE-MARKING

Yesterday saw our Mini Police deliver their first community-wide service: bike-marking. Over 50 children brought their 'vehicles' to school. PCSO Michelle Laughton was in charge of marking whilst the Mini Police did an excellent job of rounding up all of their customers and ensuring their safe return to class. Thank you, Mini Police.

Still available to buy are a set of lights for bikes. We are offering these on a first-come, first-served basis at a bargain price of £3.00. Call in at the office to buy yours.

REMINDER WHAT HAPPENS IF IT SNOWS?

If the weather is such that the decision is taken to not open the school, you will be informed in two ways:

1. A statement will be placed on our [school website](#) before 0800 in the NEWS box
2. An email will be sent via [ParentMail](#) (one per family)

Experience from February of last year tells us that our website refreshes instantly whereas ParentMail can take up to 40 minutes to deliver a message once it is 'sent'.

If the school is open but there is a change in the weather that means we need to close the school and send children home, an emergency text will be sent via Parentmail to the **primary account holder only**. Please check that your ParentMail account has the correct telephone number listed.

OUT OF THIS WORLD Y5 BLAST OFF TO LEICESTER

On Monday 28 January, Y5 enjoyed a visit to the National Space Centre in Leicester. Mrs Wells writes: *The day presented a great opportunity to explore what we had already learnt in school and to discover new facts. Our day began by visiting all six interactive galleries and watching a spectacular show, 'Astronaut', in the UK's largest planetarium. After lunch, we took on the challenge of climbing all 144 steps to reach the top of the rocket tower: the reward, a spectacular view of the Blue Streak and Thor Able rockets.*



THE 5Cs

In January, we were pleased to be able to award 5C badges to...

Caring	Conscientious	Considerate	Cooperative	Courteous
Maya Sangiorgio	Evie Reece Jacob Didsbury	Rihanna Chapman	Annabelle Charity Keeffe	
Citizenship	Rihanna Chapman			

THE GOLDEN BOOK OF GREATNESS JANUARY 2019

Last month's entrants into *The Golden Book of Greatness* were:

William Hewitt	Emilia Burgess	Jack Curtis	Sophia Richmond
Huey Turner	Jocelyn Baynes	Elizabeth Moore	Archie Price
Shane Johnson	Dany Stokes	Daniel Ellis	Austin Graham
Charley Hildebrandt	Herbie Hefferon	Taylor Reece	Maisie Moulds
Elliot Morton	Robert Theobald	Lola Williams-Nolan	Rebecca Board
Atte Maaranen	Maisie Jeffs	Lucie Bradshaw	Finlay Smith
Emily Seaton	Amelie Troop	Savannah Luciano	Ava Gasson
Emily Brown	Lettie Lefevre	James Twell	Alessandra Isaac
Oliver Britten	Ben Lyon		

CLASS ASSEMBLY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The remaining classes' Class Assembly are:

Class	Date
Y4	Wednesday 8 May 2019
Y3	Wednesday 3 April 2019
Y2	Wednesday 6 February 2019
Y1	Wednesday 6 March 2019
FS	Wednesday 17 July 2019

- Each Class Assembly takes place in the school hall and starts at 9:15am
- Sadly we have to limit the number of guests per child to two.
- If you wish to video record your child, you must seek permission for this from the school office on the day of the assembly. Video recordings are for private home use only and should not be shared with others or uploaded onto social media sites.

SCHOOL GAMES: NETBALL

And the success just keeps on coming....

On an extremely cold January morning, two teams of keen netball players set off to take part in the School Games Netball Tournament hosted by Bourne Grammar School. Many of the team had not played in a competition of this kind before. The A Team and the B Team played a series of games in the morning, receiving coaching from the Y10 Sports Leaders

that were refereeing each game. It was the A Team that secured a place in the final against Bourne Abbey's A Team. Langtoft A scored in the first third. Abbey A equalised in the second. It was Langtoft A that scored again in the final third of play. With a 2 – 1 win, our A Team on now going on to represent the south of the county along with Asycoughee Hall from Spalding in the County Finals in March.



Left: The A Team

Below: The B Team

You can almost smell how cold it was!



We give thanks to Mr Nolan, our Sports Coach, who prepared the teams for the competition.

SCHOOL GAMES: SWIMMING

And the success just keeps on coming....



Our team of Y5/6 (left) and Y3/4 (right) swimmers put up a great fight to finish in first place

(again!) and third place (hooray!) at the second School Games event of the month. Isn't it great that all of the children that attended were able to bring back a medal?



REMINDER P.E. KITS

Please make sure that your child has their P.E. kit in school every day and that their kit is the correct one: **navy blue** T-shirt (embroidered with logo), **navy blues** shorts and trainers or plimsolls (Key Stage 1 only). Key Stage 2 will have P.E. lessons outside whenever possible so we recommend **navy blue** jogging bottoms and **navy blue** sweatshirts to provide warmth. Variations of this are unacceptable. Thank you for your help with this matter.

Y6 S.A.T.s

Thank you to those families in Y6 who were able to attend the S.A.T.s session we hosted earlier this week. Feedback has been positive and we are pleased that you found the session informative and of use. Please return the papers in their envelope to Mr Dolby by Wednesday 6 February.

Families who were unable to attend will be given the information they missed during the Parent/Teacher Consultation appointment after half-term. The date of tests (and the mocks) have been added to the Diary Dates at the end of this newsletter.

PARKING THE PROBLEM RETURNS...

I have received a request from one of our neighbours to remind you to refrain from parking across their driveway when dropping off your child/ren at school. I understand that the situation had improved greatly following our previous request – thank you - but that the recent spell of cold weather has seen the problem return.

Whilst it is not the responsibility of the school to police parking outside the school site, I am always happy to help by sending out a polite reminder such as this.



Yours faithfully,

Mr J McCullough
Headteacher

FEBRUARY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2019	
Year 2 Class Assembly	Wednesday 6 February
Progress Review meetings with parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities	Thursday 7 February
School Games Athletics (Year 5 and Year 6 by invitation) at Spalding High School	Tuesday 12 February
Progress Review meetings with parents of children for whom the school receives Pupil Premium	Thursday 14 February
Langtoft's Got Talent (6:30 pm)	Friday 15 February
Term 3 ends	Friday 15 February
Term 4 begins separated	Monday 25 February
Parent/Teacher consultations (Spring)	Tuesday 26 February and Thursday 28 February

MARCH AND BEYOND

2019	
MultiSkills Event at Bourne Grammar (Y2)	Tuesday 5 March
Year 1 Class Assembly	Wednesday 6 March
Y6 Mock S.A.T.s	Monday 11 to Thursday 14 March, each morning
School Games Football (Year 3 and Year 4 by invitation) at Bourne Academy	Tuesday 19 March
Y5 Ironbridge residential visit	Wednesday 20 to Friday 22 March
Progress Review meetings with parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities	Thursday 28 March
Netball Tournament Level 3 at Grantham Meres	Thursday 28 March
School Games Lacrosse at The Deepings School (TBA)	Tuesday 2 April

Year 3 Class Assembly	Wednesday 3 April
Progress Review meetings with parents of children for whom the school receives Pupil Premium	Thursday 4 April
Term 4 ends	Friday 5 April
Bank Holiday (school closed)	Monday 22 April
Term 5 Begins	Tuesday 23 April
Y4 Stibbington residential visit	Wednesday 24 to Friday 26 April
Bank Holiday (School Closed)	Monday 6 May
Year 4 Class Assembly	Wednesday 8 May
Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessment Tests (S.A.T.s) for pupils in Y6	Monday 13 to Thursday 16 May, each morning
Progress Review meetings with parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities	Thursday 16 May
School Games Rounders at Bourne Academy (TBA)	Tuesday 21 May
Sports Day	Wednesday 22 May, Foundation Stage/Key Stage 1 at 10:00am and Key Stage 2 at 1:15pm
Progress Review meetings with parents of children for whom the school receives Pupil Premium	Thursday 23 May
Term 5 ends	Friday 24 May
Term 6 begins	Monday 3 June
School Games Cricket at Deeping CC (TBA)	Tuesday 4 June
Y1 Phonics Screening Check	Week beginning 10 June
Deeping Sports – Track Events (at Langtoft Primary School)	Thursday 13 June
School Games Tennis (Y3 and Y4 by invitation) venue TBC	Tuesday 18 June
'The Tudors' Y2 Visit to The Deepings Library	Thursday 20 June
School Games Change 4 Life (Y3 and Y4) at Spalding High School	Tuesday 25 June
Parent/Teacher consultations (Summer)	Tuesday 2 and Thursday 4 July. TBC

Progress Review meetings with parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities	Thursday 4 July
School Games Athletics (Y5 and Y6 by invitation) at Spalding Academy	Wednesday 10 July
Progress Review meetings with parents of children for whom the school receives Pupil Premium	Thursday 11 July
Class Parties	Thurs 18 July, afternoon
Y6 Production – performance to families	Thursday 18 July, 7pm
Y6 Leavers' Assembly	Friday 19 July, 9:30am
Term 6 ends	Friday 19 July

TERM DATES

Academic Year 2018/2019

Term 3 Term ends: Friday 15 February 2019

Term 4 School opens: Monday 25 February 2019
Term ends: Friday 5 April 2019

Term 5 **Bank holiday: Monday 22 April 2019**
School opens: Tuesday 23 April 2019
Bank Holiday: Monday 6 May 2019
Term ends: Friday 24 May 2019

Term 6 School opens: Monday 3 June 2019
Term ends: Friday 19 July 2019

Academic Year 2019/2020

Term 1 **Staff Training Days: Monday 2 September and Tuesday 3 September 2019**
School opens: Wednesday 4 September 2019
Term ends: Friday 18 October 2019

Term 2 **Staff Training Day: Monday 28 October 2019**
School opens: Tuesday 29 October 2019
Term ends: Thursday 19 December 2019

Term 3	School opens:	Monday 6 January 2020
	Term ends:	Friday 14 February 2020
Term 4	School opens:	Monday 24 February 2020
	Term ends:	Thursday 2 April 2020
	Staff Training Day:	Friday 3 April 2020
Term 5	School opens:	Monday 20 April 2020
	Bank Holiday:	Monday 4 May 2020
	Term ends:	Thursday 21 May 2020
	Staff Training Day:	Friday 22 May 2020
Term 6	School opens:	Monday 1 June 2020
	Term ends:	Tuesday 21 July 2020