



## LONGSANDS LINK – 8th March 2024

### Mrs McKeown's Message

What fabulous weather we have had this week. The children have been planting summer flowering bulbs and wildflower seeds this week ready for the bees and butterflies next term. Watch out for the splash of colour we are hoping for around school. Have a lovely weekend and keep in touch

Mrs McKeown



### NO NUTS IN SCHOOL

Please remember we are a **nut-free** school. We have several children in school with severe nut allergies; please **do not** send in any nuts, snacks containing nuts or sandwiches with chocolate spread on them. Please save these treats for home.

Thank you.

### ABSENCE AND APPOINTMENTS

If your child is going to be absent, or late into school due to an appointment, as first point of contact please inform the school office to let us know. This can be done either by telephone call to 01772 795676, a text message, an email to the school office, completion of a pupil absence form on the school website or by Seesaw message to Mrs Wilds. If you only contact your child's teacher, they may not see the message in time to prevent a text message or phone call to you on the day from the office requesting a reason for your child's absence. Thank you

### BIKEABILITY

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Year 5 Bikeability sessions will now take place in the week beginning **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April.**

### THE GREAT BIG EASTER RAFFLE

Earlier this week the children will have brought home tickets for the PTFA's Big Easter Raffle, please support them by buying a ticket or even a book! Thank you to everyone who has purchased tickets so far. If you do not wish to buy any we would be grateful if you would return these back to school so that they can be passed on to those requiring extra tickets. Good Luck!



### SWIMMING GALA

Our swimming team took part in the Preston Primary Schools Swimming Gala this week. The whole team swam their absolute best and enjoyed the event. They finished third overall in the group so we retain our place in Division 2. Congratulations to Martha, Emma, Grace, Holly, Luke, Sam, Oliver and Harry.

### HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

We added this information to the Longsands Link back in September for our new parents, but we have added it again as a general reminder of the process for term time leave requests. We are unable to authorise leave within school term time unless the reason for the requested absence is for an exceptional circumstance. A term time leave request form should be completed and submitted to the school office as soon as you know that there is a possibility that your child will be wanting to take time out of school during term time. If the absence isn't authorised, it will be recorded as unauthorised term time leave.

If the amount of days taken hits the threshold for a penalty notice from the Local Education Authority, these penalty notices are currently £120 per parent, per child. If these penalties are paid within 21 days of issue, then the charges will reduce to £60 per parent, per child. The threshold is currently **five** full school days, which equates to ten school day sessions.

Term time leave request forms are available at the school office, or by contacting Mrs Wilds directly, and are available in the document holders in the main entrance area. Our school attendance policy with details of term time leave can be viewed on the school website or by **clicking here**. Any term time leave requests we receive at school which are for Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April onwards, will be kept for Mrs Lang to make a decision on when she starts her new post as Headteacher after the Easter holidays.

### GIRLS FOOTBALL

Mrs Buck will be taking a selection of children to the UCLAN Sports Arena on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March to play two football league matches. They will be played at 4pm and 5pm, the chosen children will be given a letter at girls football practice tonight.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March

- Book Club Reception & Year 1 at 3.20pm
- Science Wonder Week

#### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March

- Coach Gunn Club 8am
- Tom Finney Football Event Selected Y4 Pupils
- Netball Club Y5 & Y6 Girls 3.20pm - 4.15pm

#### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March

- Rocksteady
- High 5 Netball 3.20pm – 4.15pm Y6 Girls & Boys

#### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March

- Zumba Club 8.00am
- Book Club Reception & Year 1 at 3.20pm
- Girls Football Match

#### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

- Rewards Assembly 9.10am
- Dance with Miss Sally 8am
- Samba
- Girls Football

### PARKING AND STAFF CAR PARK

Please could we remind everyone again **not** to walk through (or park) on the staff car park at morning and afternoon drop off and collection times. We have also had parents who have not been able to park due to inconsiderate blocking of free car spaces, and the entrance to the parking area near the front of school. We appreciate that you may be in a rush to drop off, but please use the available designated spaces and be considerate to other drivers. Thank you.

### ATTENDANCE

Our target attendance is **96%**.

**RECEPTION:** 94.45%

**YEAR 1:** 95.15%

**YEAR 2:** 95.35%

**YEAR 3:** 95.26%

**YEAR 4:** 95.07%

**YEAR 5:** 93.00%

**YEAR 6:** 94.16%

**Current Overall = 94.63%**



## Happy Birthday

IVY, BRADLEY, SCARLETT  
and ALFIE.

## Pupils of the Week

**RECEPTION:** GABRIELLA

**YEAR 1:** HALLIE-GRACE

**YEAR 2:** ARON

**YEAR 3:** JOSHUA

**YEAR 4:** ---

**YEAR 5:** USMAN

**YEAR 6:** LOCHLAN

## EASTER EGG DECORATING COMPETITION

The PTFA would like to encourage everyone to take part in their Easter egg decorating competition by decorating a hard boiled egg and bringing it into school on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**. They could win either the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> prize in their class!

## Longsands Values

**RECEPTION:** ARIA

**YEAR 1:** MYLA

**YEAR 2:** ARCHIE

**YEAR 3:** AYAZ

**YEAR 4:** ---

**YEAR 5:** JAMES

**YEAR 6:** GEORGE

## SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

WC 11/03/24 – **WEEK 2**

## Dinner Time Stars

**RECEPTION:** SIDDARTH

**YEAR 1:** ANAM

**YEAR 2:** ADAM

**YEAR 3:** SADIE

**YEAR 4:** ---

**YEAR 5:** SARA

**YEAR 6:** OLIVER



*Easter Egg*

**DECORATING  
COMPETITION**

*Friday 22nd March 2024*

**Decorate a hard boiled egg any way you like.**

**Bring it in to school on**

**Friday 22nd March 2024.**

**See if you can be the winner of your  
class 1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes!**



**Longsands CP School PTFA**

**LONGSANDS PTFA PRESENTS**

# *The Great Big* **EASTER RAFFLE**

**FRIDAY 22ND MARCH 2024**  
**DRAW BETWEEN 2PM–3PM IN SCHOOL**

## **TOP PRIZES**

**£100 cash prize**

**£50 Houghton Manor voucher**

**£40 curling voucher at The Flower Bowl**

**£1 a ticket  
or  
a book of 5 for £5**

**All prizes must be  
collected by  
Wednesday 27th  
March**

**1x family day pass at Bowland Wild Board Park**

**1x free MOT test at CVM Preston Ltd**

**2x 1 month free at Total Taekwondo**

**£30 1-1 yoga by Helen voucher**

**Wash, Cut and Blow Dry at Hair by Gemma**

**Free blow dry @ Roberts Steel**

**1x personal training session with Mr Moville**

**1x colour and cut at Roots, Sharoe Green**

**Brow or Nail or Toe treatment voucher at NFN Beauty**

**3-course meal for 2 at the Anderton Arms**

**£20 Honeywells**

**£20 Ancient Oak gift card**

**£20 Maxi Farm voucher**

**£20 Francos voucher**

**1x 2 hour bounce Wacky World voucher & Bottle of Prosecco**

**1x 1 hour bounce Wacky World voucher & Bottle of Prosecco**

**2x free entry at Rascals Party & Play Centre**

**£10 voucher for MKIERABEAUTY**

**£10 The Kinder Hub voucher**

**1x Ted Baker miniatures & Bottle of Prosecco**

**1x Joules miniatures & Bottle of Prosecco**

**Prizes will be  
allocated in the  
order listed**





**FREE  
SCHOOL  
MEALS**

**GET** stuck **IN**

# **Easter**

## **HOLIDAY CLUBS**

**FOR KIDS  
4-16**

**FSM335**

**FUN GAMES - DAYS OUT - SPORTS**

Longsands Community Primary School

**USE THE LINK BELOW TO REGISTER YOUR FREE PLACE**

**[WWW.GETSTUCKIN.ORG.UK](http://WWW.GETSTUCKIN.ORG.UK)**

# Love Dance Easter Club

• LONGSANDS COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Week 1 : 2nd - 5th April

Week 2 : 8th - 12th April

Ages 4-12 years

My Holiday club is  
designed to:

- Learn to dance
- Make new friends
- Build confidence

8.30am

9am to 4pm

4.30pm

Early drop off and Late collections

Please DM for more details  
or to make a booking,

£100 per week

Thanks  
Sally x

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