



LONGSANDS LINK – 21st May 2021

HALF TERM

We break up for half term next **Friday 28th May**, and finish at the normal time for each specific class. We return back to school on Thursday 10th June.

EASYFUNDRAISING

Please consider signing up for this to support the PTFA. You use it as a portal to shop online - a few extra clicks and the PTFA receive donations at **NO COST** to you!
easyfundraising.co.uk

FOOD BANK

The food bank at St. Mary Magdalene's church is running low. The PTFA will arrange for a box to be left in the main entrance area of school next week for any non-perishable donations to be left if you would like to donate any items. Father Keith will be collecting this before we finish for half term next Friday.

MOVING FORWARD

Although some restrictions are beginning to ease, it is still important to be cautious. As well as social distancing and regularly washing hands, family lateral flow test kits are available at Longsands Pharmacy, from local test centres and by ordering online from the NHS.

BEING SAFE ON THE CAR PARK

Please take care on the car park and surrounding areas of school when dropping off and collecting the children from school. Reinforcing safe practices such as not crossing between parked cars or walking behind cars when they are reversing will help to keep everyone safe. Whether it be parking safely or being a pedestrian, we all have our part to play. We are sure we can count on your support.

Pupils of the Week

RECEPTION: HASHIM

YEAR 1: ---

YEAR 2: SARA

YEAR 3: CHLOE

YEAR 4: DAISY

YEAR 5: KAMYAA

YEAR 6: KIERAN

Mrs McKeown's Message

Our children are getting ready for a half term break!! They are tired and a few fallings out are happening. Be assured staff are dealing with these little fallouts and if we need to talk to you we will invite you into school to discuss. Do not hesitate to contact us so we can work together. It also helps to know if there have been any changes of circumstances at home whether it be moving house or a new baby that may affect your child's usual behaviour pattern. There are also a good number of news items which are distressing and will need some careful age appropriate discussions. Have a lovely weekend and I hope we get to see some sunshine!

Mrs McKeown

Please read our attached posters and information.

YEAR 5 LOCAL WALK

As part of their Science topic, Year 5 will be going on a local walk through the woods near school on Wednesday 26th May. This will be their second visit to the woods and will be comparing and observing the changes in the environment. The children will need to wear tracksuit bottoms or leggings along with their school top and jumper or cardigan. They will also need old trainers/wellies or walking boots for the walk, as well as their school shoes to change back into. Please make sure that they have a coat with them. Unless it is raining very heavily, the walk will go ahead so waterproofs would be advisable if the forecast is not good. Details have been added to Seesaw and ParentPay and permission needs to be provided by Tuesday 25th May.

Longsands Values

RECEPTION: AYAZ

YEAR 1: ---

YEAR 2: IMAN

YEAR 3: SAM

YEAR 4: SAM

YEAR 5: KARTIK

YEAR 6: SAIMA

PTFA Make the Rules Day

For any children not in school on Friday 28th May, don't miss out, still make some rules! With parent/guardian permission, send the PTFA a picture of what rules you've made to **longsandsptfa@gmail.com** and participate as normal.

DOLLS

If anyone has any dolls and dolls clothes that they no longer require, Reception class would be very grateful for them.

FRIDAY 11th JUNE

On the Friday that we return after half term, the children are asked to come into school wearing red, white and blue clothes rather than their usual school uniform as they will be taking part in our whole school Wonder Day 'Hip Hooray for The Queen'. The children will also have a shortbread biscuit treat from the school kitchen to celebrate this special day. If there are any children who cannot have this please let your teacher know.

Happy Birthday

ROMAN, KIERAN,
ISABELLE and JAYA

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

WC 24/05/21 - **WEEK 3**



Our target attendance is 96%.

RECEPTION: 98.38%

YEAR 1: 97.02%

YEAR 2: 97.93%

YEAR 3: 96.39 %

YEAR 4: 94.63%

YEAR 5: 98.11%

YEAR 6: 96.00%

What is the purpose of Nurture Group & its Philosophy?

Nurture Group is a small group of children. Its composition is carefully well thought-out to create a balanced and functional group. The Nurture Group is part of the school's Inclusion and PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education) provision. Its purpose is to offer children opportunities to re-visit early learning skills and promote and support their social and emotional development. There is much research evidence that children's learning is most effective when they have a sense of emotional well being, good self esteem and a feeling of belonging to their school community. The Nurture Room provides children with this opportunity and so helps to develop their maturity and resilience. The Nurture Room is a place of learning.

The Nurture Group Principles:

- Children's learning is understood developmentally
- The nurture room offers a safe base
- All behaviour is communication
- The importance of transition in children's lives
- provides lots of opportunities for speaking and listening activities
- Builds a child's self-esteem and confidence
- Builds skills for classroom learning
- Language is a vital means of communication

Which children attend Nurture Group?

Children may attend sessions in the Nurture Group for specific reasons, for example:

- Friendship difficulties – keeping/making friends
- Quiet, shy, withdrawn
- Find it hard to listen to others or join in
- Disruptive towards others
- Find it hard to accept losing a game
- Find it hard to share and take turns
- Find it a bit difficult to settle into class
- Bullying
- Low self esteem
- Poor relationships with adults in school
- Bereavement
- Family illness or break-up

How will Nurture Group help my child?

Nurture Group will boost confidence and self esteem and provide children with the extra help sometimes needed to improve social skills and independence for example:

- To join in
- To settle
- To listen
- To concentrate
- To share and take turns
- To accept losing a game
- To build up friendships with their classmates
- It gives them a chance and helps to encourage a more positive profile among their peers and members of staff.

Does this mean my child is naughty?

No, these sessions are meant to help them manage situations and increase their skills to become more successful learners.

How long will my child be in Nurture Group for?

Your child's involvement in nurture group is only determined by their need at a specific time. It may be only for 2 or 3 weeks or a half term.

Are parents/carers involved?

We like to consider our door is always open and therefore welcome parent/carers to keep in touch with us and share their thoughts

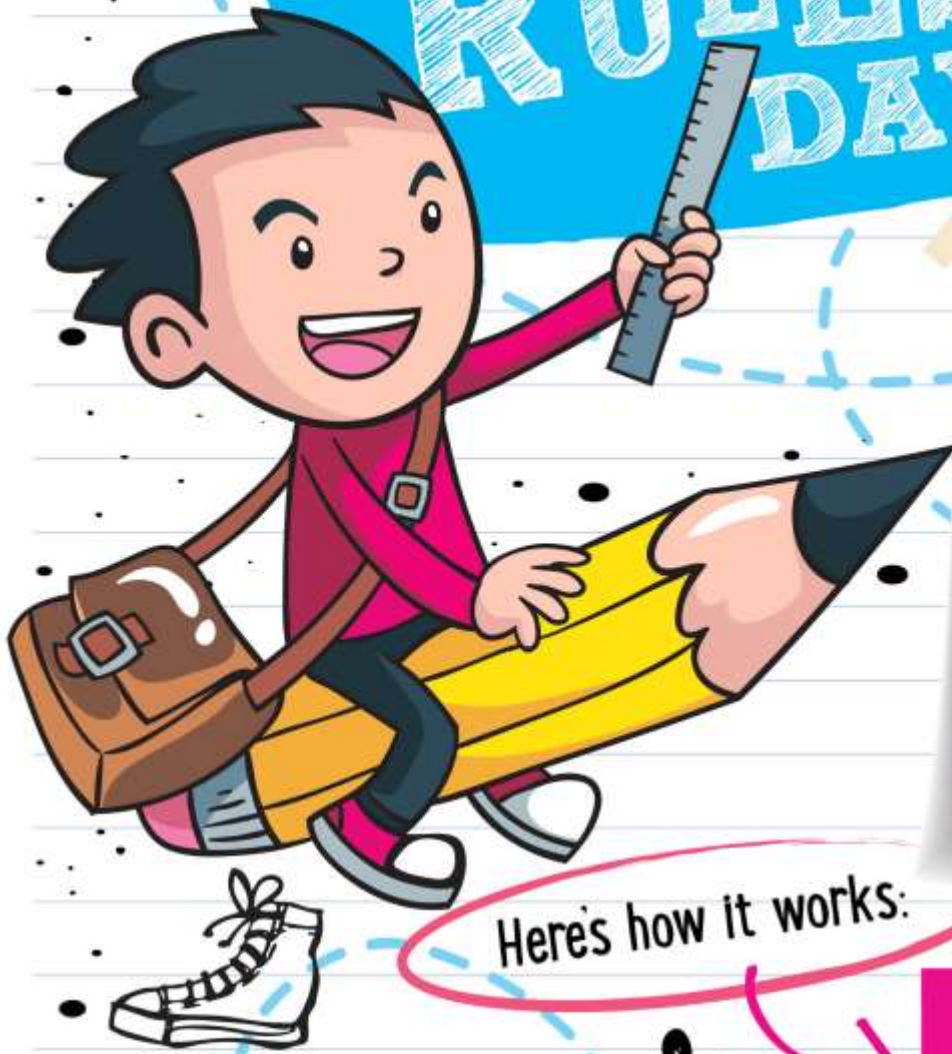
An afternoon in Nurture Group

Children follow a structure and routine that is clear to both staff and children which includes group listening and speaking, work tasks, individual and shared play and social skills. The group runs on consistency, positive reinforcement and praise.

Within the sessions, opportunities are tailored to the needs of the particular group and age range. Children learn to share and talk together with peers and adults.

LONGSANDS CP SCHOOL PTFA

MAKE the RULES DAY



Rules to be made include:

1. Wear a jumper/cardie not in school colours
2. Wear your school jumper/cardie inside out
3. Bring in a small treat for break time (**NO NUTS**)
4. Have crazy hair
5. Have a temporary tattoo
6. Wear nail varnish
7. Wear a hat
8. Wear odd socks
9. Wear odd shoes
10. Wear a bracelet on your wrist

Here's how it works:

When?
FRIDAY
28th MAY 2021

Parentkind
Member Association

**Pay 50p for every rule
you would like to make!**

Either bring in the **money**
to school on the day in a
sealed envelope

or

pay the **PTFA** online,
details on the **Link**



MAKE AS MANY RULES AS YOU LIKE!

50p per rule

So, if you'd like to make 4 rules ➡ 50p x 4 = £2.00

Please put your money in a sealed envelope, mark it for the attention of PTFA and bring it to school on Friday 28th May 2021

OR

Pay the PTFA directly online by Friday 28th May 2021

Sort code: 01-03-32

Account number: 76864650

Please include the reference '[your child's name] Year [x]', e.g. Joe Year 6

We are trialling online payments to the PTFA with this event.

Paying into the PTFA account directly avoids any commission costs the PTFA must pay using another online platform.

Very easy and it only takes a few minutes!

BUT BEST OF ALL IT MAXIMISES PTFA FUNDRAISING FOR THE CHILDREN

LONGSANDS CP SCHOOL PTFA



Second-Hand Uniform



**SET FOR
SUMMER!**

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boys' shorts and
girls' summer dresses
available now

All items £1

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or email us at longsandsptfa@gmail.com*



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(Sunday Times)

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(Ofsted)



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