



LONGSANDS LINK – 23rd February 2024

Mrs McKeown's Message

Welcome back to the second part of the Spring term. Hopefully Spring will be on its way soon!! Please keep checking any attachments that are added to the Link and to Seesaw if you are needing help with housing, debt and food or nurture groups and clubs. This information is sent to help you. Have a lovely weekend and keep in touch.

Mrs McKeown

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Don't forget to pre-select your child's school meals in advance via ParentPay.

ARRIVING AT SCHOOL ON TIME

Lessons start at **8.55am** each day, please ensure that you leave enough time to arrive at school on time in the morning. Preparing uniforms, PE kits, sports kits, packed lunches etc the night before will assist with a smooth start to the day. Arriving late is unsettling for children, and is also disruptive to the lesson which has already started.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Click Here To Apply

If you think that you may be entitled to receive the benefit for Free School Meals, please apply online by clicking the above link or by telephoning **01772 532109** (Monday to Friday, 9.00am – 5.00pm).

This is different to the 'Universal Free School Meals' that children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive. It is always worth applying just in case you do make the criteria, and as well as being entitled to free school meals all the way through school, you will also be entitled to free school milk (you will just need to mention this when ordering from Cool Milk). Even if your child would still like to bring a packed lunch each day this is fine, but by having the free school meal eligibility, school will receive extra Pupil Premium Funding which will make a big difference to us.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

WC 26/02/24 – **WEEK 3**

Have you pre-selected your meal on ParentPay?

ZUMBA CLUB

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3.

Our very popular Zumba club started on Thursday morning. As the numbers were lower than expected, the club has now been opened up to include Year 3 as well. Please see the attached letter for more details, payments should not be sent into school but brought on the day of the session.

YEAR 4 SWIMMING

The children in Year 4 will begin their swimming lessons on **Monday 26th February** and then every day until **Friday 8th March**. Girls will need a one piece swimsuit and boys will need a pair of trunks or swim shorts, they should also bring a towel and a swimming cap. It would be a good idea to bring an extra carrier bag to put wet clothes in afterwards. Children may come to school dressed in their PE kit on swim days and it would speed things up getting changed at the Leisure Centre if they wore their swim wear under their clothes. Don't forget to pack underwear for after swimming.

Happy Birthday

ARIA, JAXON, REECE, SEREN, LUKE and MARTHA

YEAR 1 HEARING TESTS

Thank you to those who have returned their consent slips for the Year 1 hearing test. The Audiometrician will be in touch in the next couple of weeks to arrange an appointment to come into school. We will let everyone know what date this is closer to the time. If you haven't already done so please return your slip as soon as possible.

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

If your child is unable to attend school for whatever reason, please contact the school office as soon as possible, and ideally by **9.00am**.

You can do this in the following ways:

- Telephoning school: 01772 795676.
- Contacting the school office by email.
- Sending a text, we are able to see replies to text messages from the school text service.
- Completing a Pupil Absence Form on the school website.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 26th February

- Year 4 Swimming

Tuesday 27th February

- Coach Gunn Club 8am
- Year 4 Swimming
- Y3 & Y4 Mini Skills Comp

Wednesday 28th February

- Bring Yer Wellies Trip
- Rocksteady
- High 5 Netball 3.20pm
- Year 4 Swimming

Thursday 29th February

- Zumba Club 8.00am
- Year 4 Swimming

Friday 1st March

- Dance with Miss Sally 8am
- Year 4 Swimming
- Samba
- Y2 Fire Safety Talk
- Y6 Fire Safety Talk
- Girls Football



Every student. Every day.

ATTENDANCE

Our target attendance is **96%**.

RECEPTION: 94.38%

YEAR 1: 94.99%

YEAR 2: 95.46%

YEAR 3: 95.30%

YEAR 4: 94.83%

YEAR 5: 93.00%

YEAR 6: 93.95%

Current Overall = 94.56%

Have a lovely

weekend!

Advice Drop-In Sessions

Are you looking for some support and advice ?

We are holding some drop-in sessions at the Ribbleton Family Hub where you can call in and speak with a range of agencies, including, Preston City Council, Citizens Advice, Lancashire County Council and Community Gateway. Advice will be available on a range of subjects including:

Housing

Debt Advice

Food Banks

2yr Funded Nursery Places

Training and Employment

Home fire Safety

And more...



2-4pm

Tuesday February 27th

Tuesday March 26th

Tuesday April 30th



Ribbleton Family Hub, Ribbleton Hall Drive, Ribbleton, Preston, PR2 6EE

community
gateway

LANCASHIRE
FAMILY
HUB
NETWORK

We are
LANCASHIRE
WOMEN



Department
for Work &
Pensions

Lancashire
County
Council



ZUMBA BREAKFAST CLUB

LONGSANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3

22nd, 29th February & 7th, 14th, 21st March

8:00am - 8:45am (Thursdays)

ONLY £20 PER CHILD

Each class will involve:

- Warm up games
- Fun variety of zumba dances
- Cool down games
- Certificates to be given out on the last week!



**PLACES FILL UP VERY QUICKLY SO SIGN UP ASAP TO AVOID
DISAPPOINTMENT!**

To book or for any further queries please contact me on 07752 307913



Please fill in the details below/cut & hand directly to the first session
and not to the school office. Cash Only Please

Childs Name:	Medical Info:
Age:	Contact no: