

Long Whatton C of E Primary School



Newsletter 29.11.22

Live, Learn, Grow and Be Thankful

It has been a very busy month so far and the excitement for Christmas is now starting to build across the school. Our children are busy rehearsing their Christmas performances and nearly ready for their grand performances.

Just a reminder of key dates left for this term.

02.12.22 Santa Fun Run

05.12.22 Whole school out to the Christmas Pantomime at Loughborough Town Hall

06.12.22 Christmas Carol Service in the church 2.30pm - All welcome

07.12.22 Hedgehogs and Squirrels Nativity. First performance 2.00pm, Second performance 5.30pm

08.12.22 Hedgehogs and Squirrels Nativity final performance at 5.30pm

09.12.22 Whole school Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

13.12.22 Robins and Owls Christmas Panto performance for parents first performance 5.30pm

14.12.22 Robins and Owls Christmas Panto performance for parents second performance 5.30pm

15.12.22 Key Stage 1 Christmas party - Children can come in their party clothes for the day and bring a plate of party food for the party

16.12.22 Key Stage 2 Christmas party - Children can come in their party clothes for the day and bring a plate of party food for the party

19.12.22 Last day in school before Christmas holiday

Sudbury Toy Museum

Our Squirrels class have been out and about this half term and visited Sudbury Childhood Museum to discover toys from the past. They really enjoyed both playing and finding out how children in the past used to spend their spare time.



Places of Worship Visit

Our Hedgehogs class have been discovering places of worship. They went to our very own All Saints Church in Long Whatton to explore Christian artefacts.

The children then headed off to Leicester to visit the Shree Hindu Temple. They looked at the beautiful Hindu Gods, vibrant colours and offerings all around the Temple.

They then visited Leicester Islamic Mosque and saw Arabic writing, large windows, prayer mats and golden tiles.



Thank you for your donations to Children In Need. This year we raised £54.

Road Safety Week



We would like to say a huge thank you to Alan and the team from Harlow's Timber who came into school to lead an assembly and activities for Road Safety Week.

The children were lucky enough to meet Zac the Zebra and to have a go in the truck. The children learnt all about the blind spots around a lorry so that they can try to keep themselves safe on the road.

Lots of children entered Harlow's colouring competition and the winners were announced at the wood yard. The children also thoroughly enjoyed having a cake to raise money for charity.



Our children all turned up to school recently wearing their odd socks for Anti Bullying Week, illustrating how it is ok to be different.

The children contributed to lessons around this years theme of 'reaching out.'

BIBLE STORIES

Mrs Conway has launched her Thursday Bible stories with the children in collective worship. The children are thoroughly enjoying dressing up and getting involved. So far they learnt the David and Goliath story, Daniel and the Lions Den and Noah's Ark. Parents are invited into these workshops each Thursday at 2.45pm. Please do come in and join us.





Our children also took time to create their class wreaths ready to place on the memorial in the village. Our Owls class created their own Remembrance poems to share with the community at the memorial. On November 11th we laid our wreaths, shared a two minute silence and remembered those who lost their lives through war. Thank you to all who came to share this mark of respect with us.



It has been so lovely to have you back into school to share a Roast Dinner with your children. I know how excited the children were to have you with us. Thank you to all of you who then stayed on to read a book with your child.



Thank you to all parents and carers who are also coming to Reading Buddies. I know the children look for you when you enter the classrooms.

We are really trying to encourage our children to read as much as possible as it opens the door to the rest of the curriculum. Please can I ask you to read 4 times a week with your child and record this in their reading diaries. The children love to read with you and want to win a raffle ticket to enter the prize draw in Honours assembly to win a book.

We are really looking forward to seeing you all again soon for the Christmas festivities.

Best Wishes, Mrs Gray and the Long Whatton Team