



Peace Proms x3!

For the third year running, our Choir recently took part in the Liverpool Peace Proms at the M&S Bank Arena. Just under 3,000 young voices rocked the house with songs ranging from disco classics to Matilda to The Cranberries! Performing alongside the children were The Cross-Border Orchestra of Ireland, highland dancers, bagpipers and two soprano soloists. It all added up to THE BEST TIME EVER! Thank you Miss Moffatt and Mrs. Newton for preparing our choir so well for the day. See Twitter for photos and video clips of the performance.



National Storytelling Week

We were delighted to host visits from 3 different storytellers during this most magical week of the year. Gav Cross once again welcomed all ages to his inflatable storytelling tent. Rebecca Fan-Blinston shared stories of our great city of Liverpool with Year 1 and Jude Lennon told some 'Little Lambs Tales' specially commissioned by the Charity 'Slow Down for Bobby' to help raise children's awareness of road safety. We also had two very, very successful 'Snuggle up with a Book' events. So successful that next year we think we'll have to expand across both school halls! Well done, Miss Dryhurst, for organising all the activities throughout the week.



Ariana Grande calls Longmoor?

Our Anti-bullying Ambassadors attended an e-Safety workshop at Goodison Park during Internet Safety Week and picked up lots of tips to share with other children on how to deal with cyberbullying.

Our Emeritus Governor, Mr. Greenough, was in school to deliver cybersafety workshops. Did you hear that Ariana Grande messaged and then Facetime'd the pupils during his visit to arrange free tickets for them to her next concert? How many children's hands do you think shot up to say they would accept that Facetime call if it came through at home? How many do you think said they would do it without asking mum or dad first? If your child hasn't already told you all about what happened next then why not ask them and start a conversation about staying safe on the Internet. For further advice or support on any aspect of eSafety please contact our eSafety Lead, Mrs. Evans or our Safeguarding Lead, Mr. Garside.

Safer parking please

A plea once again to think of the safety of our pupils and families when dropping off at school. Hall Lane is a particular blackspot. Parents regularly report people driving at speed onto the pavement and then driving off again just as quickly and dangerously; 3-point turns in a road packed with children and parents; car doors flung open by children jumping out who are unaware of passers-by. There is ample parking in side streets and in Aintree Baptist Church's car park for everyone. Also, a reminder to please not use the staff car park for dropping off or picking up.

We are on the Council's 'Hot List' this term for unannounced visits from traffic wardens. We are also in conversation with the council to see if there are ways to make the roadway safer but their main advice is to keep reminding everyone to please park safely!

Other News...

A delegation of 31 Hong Kong Chinese students & their headteachers visited us for the day, hosted by Miss McGee & 15 of our Year 4/5 students. We hope this is the start of a longer-term collaboration between our school & our new friends in Hong Kong.



For 'Spread a Little Kindness' week this year, our pupils are going out into the community to visit charities or community groups and find out what they do and how we can support them. If you work with any such groups and would like to host a visit could you please let the school office know!

Our choir performed at the Playhouse Theatre in the Chinese Spring Festival event recently and our Year 5 Debating team competed at Archbishop Beck, coming an excellent 2nd place with their presentation on the motion, 'It should be compulsory for all school children to play a musical instrument.' Their case was supported with a performance by members of our school orchestra!



And finally...run, run as fast as you can; you can't catch me, I'm the Gingerbread Man! After their Gingerbread Stay'n'Play with parents, Reception were shocked when their giant gingerbread man vanished from the school kitchen. This was the third year running that the toothsome treat had mysteriously disappeared – this time along with a gingerbread woman! The shocking truth was finally revealed after an extensive search of the school. Yes, Mr. Garside was once again thwarted in his attempt to snaffle the delicious gingerbread creations all for himself. For shame, Mr. Garside, will you never learn?



Key Dates for the Calendar

**School closes for half-term
Friday 15th February**

**Return to School
Monday 25th February**

**Friends of Longmoor Juniors Disco
Thursday 28th February**

**World Book Day
Thursday 7th March**

**Musicians at Philharmonic Concert
Thursday 7th March**

**Spread a Little Kindness Week
11th – 15th March**

**Friends of Longmoor Infants Disco
Thursday 14th March**

**Parents Evening
School closes at 3pm
Monday 18th March**

**Own Clothes Day for Friends of Longmoor –
Please send in an Easter Bingo prize donation
e.g. Easter egg, toiletries, wine!
Friday 22nd March**

**Friends of Longmoor Easter Bingo
Friday 29th March**

**Y4 PGL Residential
Wednesday 3rd – Friday 5th April**

**School closes for Easter Break
3.30pm Friday 5th April**
