

Longmoor Community Primary School

Christmas 2016 Newsletter



How quickly we move from summer sunshine to fireworks to tinsel, glitter and Christmas carols! We love Christmas at Longmoor Community Primary School and we hope you do too, because we have lots of Christmas events coming up for children and parents to enjoy (see the dates over the page).

Junior Lord Mayor & MPs

We already know that our pupils are articulate young global citizens, but this was confirmed when one of our Year 5 pupils, Freddie, was elected as a Junior Lord Mayor of Liverpool at the recent Children's Parliament at Liverpool Town Hall. Four of our children were delegates at the Parliament and Freddie stood for mayor, making a speech in front of the chamber along with 30 children from other schools. He presented his points with clarity and passion, resulting in his election as one of 12 Junior Mayors – his term of office is the month of September 2017. Let the revolution begin!



"We need to encourage people to take an active role in the future of our country, vote and tell their Council and Government what they want instead of complaining about things that they could change if they actually tried." Freddie's full speech can be found on the school website.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Places are still available!

£6/day 3:30-5:45pm

Ask at the school office for details.

attendance
MATTERS



All children with 100% attendance for last half-term have received their attendance certificates – a record-breaking 183 of them. Mrs. Grundy has got a very sore hand from signing them all! Three classes beat our attendance target of 97% - Class 6 (Mrs. Noldy), Class 8 (Miss Dryhurst) and Class 13 (Miss Kelly). The overall winner was Class 8 with 97.8% attendance and they will be receiving a surprise reward very soon.

Christmas Plays

This year, we are holding a daytime and an evening performance of our Reception and KS1 Christmas plays, to cater for as many families as possible. Tickets will be on sale from the school office for just £1 from 5th December – this includes a programme on the night and entry in a raffle draw.

'Ni Hao' says Year 5

Our Year 5 pupils recently started lessons in Mandarin Chinese – a globally important language of the future. Their tutor, Lucy, from the Confucius Institute in Liverpool, has already taught them to greet one another in Chinese and they are writing some Mandarin characters. Useful skills for communicating with our new partner schools in Wuhan – Hankou Furen Primary and Changqing No.1 Primary.

Fundraising

Parents, pupils and staff work very hard to fundraise for the school. Thank you again for your generosity recently. Book Fair sales totalled just over £600 (commission from this will be used to buy books for our class libraries). Children in Need own clothes day raised £305 and we saw some very inventive home-made spotty outfits. School is holding a Friday raffle every week until Christmas to raise money for school funds - £1 for a strip of 5 tickets - winners drawn at assembly and a good range of quality prizes. We also saw the best attendance ever at the Christmas Bingo, where a staggering £518 was raised by the Friends of Longmoor - all money raised is spent on the children!

Y2 Campfire Readathon

Thank you to all the parents and families who took part in Year 2's Campfire Readathon again this year. Children changed into their pyjamas, then snuggled up with their soft toys and enjoyed hot chocolate and marshmallows while they read a book with mummy, daddy or a special friend. It was lovely to see families reading together in school.

Important dates for the rest of this term:

School Pantomime - Pinocchio	2nd December
Dance Club performance for parents	6th December
Reception Stay & Play	7th/8th December
Christmas Fair	9th December
Reception Christmas Play (10am & 6pm)	13th December
School Christmas Dinner	14th December
Nursery Christmas Play (10am & 1.45pm)	14th December
KS1 Christmas Plays (10am & 6pm)	15th December
School Cinema Visit (Reception, KS1 & KS2)	16th December
Choir perform at Archbishop Beck Christmas Celebration	20th December
School closes – 3.30pm finish as usual	21st December

From all at Longmoor, have a very merry Christmas with your families and loved ones, and we will see you in the New Year.