



Learning for Life
**LONGLEAZE
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

As the school year ends it is time to reflect upon all that has been achieved by the fantastic Longleaze School team. We have seen the children making excellent progress in all areas of their learning, most notably the reading progress throughout the school. We are also encouraged to see a greater number of pupils exceeding age-related expectations. Whilst there has been a shared vision to further improve standards in reading, writing and maths, the children continue to enjoy an exciting and engaging curriculum that ignites their imaginations and instils a love of learning. The children discuss with pride their achievements in a range of subject areas and can enthusiastically discuss the highlights of their school year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who gives up their time to support our school community: parents and carers, school governors, the LSA team, the Parent/Carer Forum, volunteer helpers, the 'Open the Book' Assembly team and the list could go on... Without your help and support our achievements would not be possible and the school would not be so successful.

The continued dedication and hard work of the Longleaze staff team is to be recognised at the end of another very busy but highly rewarding year. Daily, the staff go above and beyond to support the children and families of Longleaze. Thank you.

We wish our Year 6 pupils the best of luck. They have worked incredibly hard over the last year, but they have also enjoyed many moments. Their residential trip to Braeside, school trips to London and Cadbury's World, golf sessions, their Junior Good Citizen day and of course the fabulous 'Rock Bottom' production. Throughout the year their confidence in their own abilities has continued to grow and they leave Longleaze well prepared for the next stage in their educations. We have enjoyed working with all the children and would like to thank the Year 6 families for their support.

As well as wishing all Year 6 pupils a fond farewell, we warmly welcome our new Reception children and their families. We look forward to getting to know you and working with you.

In this final newsletter of the year, I would like to extend my thanks to Mr Mark Levitt our Chair of Governors. Mr Levitt is standing down from the role of Chair of Governors due to his commitments. He is planning to take a sabbatical from the governing body but hopes to return as a governor in 2019. As a school we are very grateful to Mr Levitt for his dedication and service to the school over the last five years. His support has been unwavering as has his determination to ensure the very best outcomes for the children. In our last Full Governing Body Meeting, Mr Chris Shelley was appointed to the role of Chair of Governors. He is very much looking forward to the new challenges this role brings. Mr Shelley has worked closely alongside Mr Levitt this year as Vice-Chair of Governors and has been instrumental in many key decisions. Mr Joe Richardson has been appointed to the role of Vice-Chair of Governors.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for your continued support of the school. Enjoy a lovely summer break with your families and let's hope the warm weather continues.

With kind regards,

Laura Oakes

Head Teacher



LSA Summer Fair

Thank you to everyone who supported the LSA Summer Fair on Friday 6th July. It was a very hot afternoon but many families enjoyed the refreshments and stalls. The teachers were very keen to get in the stocks due to the warm weather! Thank you to the LSA team as without their hard work this event would not be possible. £800 was raised and the funds will go towards the school library project.



African Drumming

Mrs Tye our Music Subject Lead took a group of pupils to St. Mary's Primary School Purton for an African drumming session. They were really enthusiastic about the session although it made their hands hurt! They also enjoyed working alongside pupils from other local primary schools. The event was organised through the North Wiltshire Music Hub. Well done, Chloe, Sam B, Aliyah, Tom, Harry, Sofie, Sam W and Alicia for representing our school at this event.



Royal International Air Tattoo 2018

The Year 5 children enjoyed a superb day out at the Air Tattoo, last week. They were wowed by all the breathtaking flying displays! They also enjoyed seeing both modern and historic aircraft from all around the world. The children also engaged with STEM activities aimed at inspiring future scientists and engineers.

It was brilliant. The jets were AMAZING!!

It was very loud but great fun! I liked sheltering from the rain in the US Airforce refueller.

It was absolutely brilliant, we saw 20 planes fly. The Red Arrows were fast, with sharp turns and upside down flying!



Early Years Foundation Stage

One of our school priorities this year has been to further enhance and improve the outdoor learning environment for our EYFS pupils. The Early Years Team have made, many improvements to this provision including the introduction of planters and other new resources. Mr Dicks has been very busy re-painting the area too. We have also prioritised the replacement of the flooring in the EYFS area. We are really pleased with the results of the new Astro Turf surface, and as you can see the children are too!



Year 5 and 6 'Rock Bottom' Performance

The Year 5 and 6 children performed the musical 'Rock Bottom' last week to the school and their families. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed their fantastic performance of the Stone Age story! The singing and acting was superb and the jokes had us smiling and laughing throughout. A huge well done to all the stars of the show!



The Governing Body of Longleaze Primary School is looking to appoint Co-opted Governors.

More information about the School can be found at our website address.

Governors play an important part in School life and this is an opportunity for someone from the community to become involved with our school. Governors are expected to come into School on a regular basis and spend time with staff and pupils and therefore on occasions need to be available during the school day as well as evenings. It is also recognised that effective Governors can have a positive impact on both the School and local Community.

The Governing Body meets six times a year and governors will serve on one of two committees.

At this time the Governing Body is seeking someone who is **not a parent**; with particular skills in are education on experience of human resources but other skills are always welcome to complement those already involved. There is no need for specific educational knowledge or background but the ability to offer a strategic view would be an advantage. Full training and support will be offered.

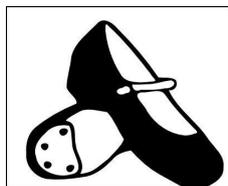
To find out more, without obligation, contact the Head Teacher.

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Well done to all the staff and Children of Longleaze who helped record their sporting activities over the last 6 weeks as part of the Wiltshire Big Pledge. As a result the school achieved all the 20 challenge markers as set out by Wiltshire County Council and came an overall 4th in the Schools Team Challenge section.

Congratulations to Kyrie-May who achieved a 1st grade modern distinction in dance!



VALUE OF THE TERM

Honesty

LEARNING GEM OF THE TERM

Amethyst



Summer Reading Challenge 2018

Get ready for a summer of treasure-seeking fun with the Mischief Makers!

Take part in the Summer Reading Challenge 2018 and see if you can help the Mischief Makers find the box of tricks.

Taking part is simple – you can sign up now for free at your local library.

You'll receive your very own **map of Beanotown** to get you started. Read **six** library books (or more!) over the holidays to collect special stickers to add to your map. Collect all the **stickers** to discover where the **treasure** is hiding and complete the Challenge.

Dennis and his friends will be with you every step of the way to give you clues and show you how to be a Mischief Maker too!

You can keep track of the books you read and [write book reviews](#), enter [competitions](#), find new authors and much more at the website <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk>. (Your parents or carers will need to register an account online so that you can sign in and take part).

One final thing – if you find any rocks with Dennis the Menace painted on them in Royal Wootton Bassett, take them along to the town's library and exchange them for a surprise - there are 15 to find!

Happy summertime reading!

Miss James

Longleaze Summer Challenge

Summer holidays can be an ideal opportunity to try something new!

Why not have a go at our Longleaze Summer Challenge?

We will be sending home a list of fun and simple activities for your child to have a go at over the summer holidays.

Each time they have a go at one of the activities, tick it off the list! Return your form to the office in September. The child who has had a go at the most activities, from each class, will win a special prize. There will also be a small prize for everyone who has taken part.

Although there is no requirement for you to record any evidence of your child completing the activities (just a tick will do), you may wish to post a photograph of them doing some them on Orick's Facebook Page.

Have a lovely summer everyone!



School uniform and school shoes

School uniform reminder: The school's Uniform and Appearance policy clearly outlines the expectations for uniform and hair styles. This can be found on our website under Policies and Information, and **is agreed when you sign your child's home school agreement.**

The uniform is as follows:

- Grey trousers, skirt, pinafore or tailored shorts
- White or purple polo shirt
- Purple jumper or cardigan
- Purple checked summer dress
- White, grey or black socks. Grey or purple tights (not to be worn with summer dresses)
- Black school shoes, **trainers are not permitted** (sandals with socks).

Dates for your Diary

24th-Y6 Leavers assembly to parents and carers 1.30pm

25th-End of school year finish at 1.30pm

September

4th– Term 1 begins

Book shop dates

Monday 24th September

Wednesday 26th September

Monday 15th October

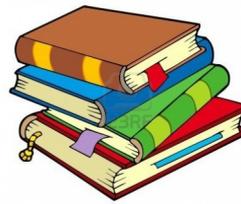
Wednesday 17th October

Monday 19th November

Wednesday 21st November

Monday 3rd December

Wednesday 5th December



Good Luck Year 6

