

Building Community, Enriching Lives

Newsletter: 9th September 2022

## **New School Year**

Many thanks to everyone who complete the Parents Survey in July. There were some helpful comments and suggestions and we have endeavoured to feed these in to the school development plan for this year. Please find a summary of the survey attached with this newsletter. We also asked the pupils for their views on PE.

Over the next two weeks, we will be holding parents' meetings in each class to explain the expectations for the year ahead. Your child's teacher will also give an overview of the curriculum and there will be a chance to ask questions. One of the topics that always comes up is homework. In previous years, we have used the results of homework surveys to help shape our homework policy. Therefore, we will send out a homework survey for parents to complete and have input to this once again.

Reading is the key to a child being able to access the curriculum and achieve success. We are very proud that our children at Longney love reading and we are grateful to parents and carers for their support with this. Watch out for tips and recommendations for reading with your child across this term.

# **Events coming up**

### Stunt Scooter Resilience Workshop

Next Thursday, we will welcome Terry Price from the BMX academy to school. He will be helping our pupils understand how resilience and determination are important qualities to help achieve both in school and in life. For more information go to this link: https://www.bmxacademy.com

#### London Mini-Marathon in Schools

On Thursday 22nd September, we will be taking part in the London Mini Marathon in Schools event. We have taken part in this for the last two years. We will again be combining it with our District Cross Country event.

#### **Harvest Festival**

Our Harvest Festival will be on Friday 23rd September at 2.30 pm in the church.. We will once again be donating non-perishable goods to Gloucester Food Bank. Please bring donations to school on Friday 23rd September. Please click on this link for more information and to see what items can be donated. Please bring donations to school on

## **Young Voices Concert**

**Pu**pils in Year 4.5 and 6 have the opportunity to take part in Young Voices again on 26th January. Please make sure you have returned the form to the office if your child would like to participate.

# **FOLS**

Your are warmly invited to the first FOLS meeting of the year. This will be held on Friday 16th September in the school hall. Come along and find out what is planned for the year ahead!

100 Club: will be running again this year.

Diary date—The AGM will be on Tuesday 11th October

Please keep an eye of the FOLS Facebook page for the latest information—there are lots of events in the pipeline!

## Forest School - Term 1 and 2

## Tuesday

13th:Sept: Fox Class
20th Sept: Squirrel Class
27th Sept Hedgehog Class
4th Oct: Rabbit Class
11th Oct: Fox Class
18th Oct:: Squirrel Class

Please ensure you child wears long trousers and has a long sleeve top and waterproof clothing for Forest School.

### **Uniform**

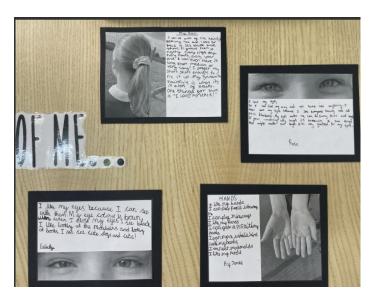
If you need an extra school jumper — Vicki Cowan has a large amount of quality second hand uniform.



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Fox Class have been getting straight back into activities this term with indoor rowing on the first day back!



Congratulations to all our pupils who took part in the Summer Reading Challenge. It has been lovely to hear about your discovery of new books and authors and also how you have enjoyed exploring the library during the holiday.

Our door display this year is based upon the book 'The Best Part of Me' by Wendy Ewald.

We listened to the story and then talked about all of our body parts and how they are unique to us and special. The children really thought carefully about the best part of them and produced some beautiful work





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Monday 12th September	Cricket Club starts Year 4-6
Tuesday 13th September	Fox Class Forest School
	2.50 pm Hedgehog Class Expectations meeting for parents
Wednesday 14th September	Dance Club starts 2—4
	2.50 pm Squirrel Class Expectations meeting
Thursday 15th September	Stunt Scooter Resilience workshops
	Sports Club Year 2-3
Friday 16th September	FOLS meeting 2.00 pm in school hall
Monday 19th September	Swimming starts—Hedgehog Class
	Flu Immunisation
Tuesday 20th September	Squirrel Class Forest School
Thursday 22nd September	London mini-marathon/cross country event
Friday 23rd September	Harvest Festival 2.30 pm in the church—donations for the Food Bank
Sunday 25th September	St Laurence Harvest Pet Service
Tuesday 27th September	Hedgehog Class Forest School
Tuesday 4th October	Rabbit Class Forest School
Tuesday 11th October	Fox Class Forest School
Tuesday 18th October	Squirrel Class Forest School
Wednesday 19th October	Squirrel Class trip
Friday 21st October	Inset days—staff only
Monday 24th – Friday 28th October	Half Term Holiday