

Long Crendon News



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Dear Parents/Carers

More exciting news regarding Learning Outside the Classroom! We have been informed that our application for a lottery grant to further develop the outdoor area has been successful. The National Lottery has awarded us £9,952 to develop a wildlife area, with a pond, a beach and stream, behind the bottle greenhouse. We hope to start work on this area soon.

I am also pleased to be able to tell you that Bucks CC has commissioned the last phase of window replacement at Long Crendon School. All the remaining old, single glazed windows and external doors will be replaced. This work is due to begin on 8th February.

Very best wishes

Sue Stamp

YEAR 4 TEACHING COVER DURING MRS BOWDEN'S MATERNITY LEAVE

We have appointed Ms Alex Brown, who is an experienced Year 4 teacher, as full time cover for Year 4 during Mrs Bowden's absence. Ms Brown will start after the February half term, so hopefully there will be a short handover period. There will be an opportunity for Year 4 parents to meet Ms Brown nearer the time.

MATCH ATTACK CARDS

When these first appeared we spoke to the children about potential problems that could arise and explained that we would be monitoring their use in school and would act if the cards became a nuisance. It is with regret that we have decided to request that children do not bring these cards into school any more— they are causing all sorts of issues and distractions! Please ask your children not to bring these, or other trading cards, into school in future. Mrs Bowden will be sharing this message with the children in assembly today.

GROWTH MINDSET - SAVE THE DATE!

Parents (and children) are invited to a Growth Mindset information evening on **Monday 29th February** at 6.30 pm. There will be a brief presentation to inform parents about the impact we have seen so far from Growth Mindset, followed by an opportunity to see some activities in a Key Stage 1 or Key Stage 2 classroom. We hope you will be able to join us.

PARKING!

We are still seeing parents driving onto the school site to drop children at breakfast club and collect them from after school clubs. I will be writing personally to anyone identified as doing this from now on, but I would much prefer it if these parents accepted that the rules are there for a reason and apply to everyone!

We have also had a complaint from a disabled resident in Bonnersfield, as parents are parking across his drive and using it to turn around in – please stop, thank you.

PARENTS EVENINGS

You should have all received a Parentmail notifying you that the online system for booking your parents evening/s will go live at 8am Monday morning, 25th Jan.

BOTTLE GREENHOUSE REPAIRS _ BOTTLES NEEDED

Year 3 will shortly begin the annual maintenance on the bottle greenhouse. Please save your large plastic drink bottles and drop them off in the receptacle in the glass corridor.

Thank you from Mrs Taylor and Year 3.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Please remember to check out the school website on a regular basis. There have been quite a few new photographs added recently for some year groups.

HEAD LICE

Since returning to school we have had a number of reports of head lice, now in various year groups. Please check your child's hair and treat if necessary. Thank you.

PTA FASHION SHOW

More information will be provided by the PTA in due course however please note that timings are as follows:

4.50pm – models need to arrive at school (children have not been asked yet, watch this space)

6.15pm doors open for the show

8pm 'ish' is the anticipated finish time

DIARY DATES

January

Mon 25th Parents Evening Booking opens
Fri 29th Parent Council

February *

Thur 4th PTA Cinema Night, finish time 6pm ish

Mon 8th Y4 Parents Evening

Tue 9th Y1 Living Rainforest Trip

Thur 11th Y4 Parents Evening

Fri 12th PTA Cake Sale

Last Day of Term

Mon 22nd **Return to School**

Tue 23rd Parents Evening

Thur 25th Parents Evening

Monday 29th Growth Mindset information evening
6.30pm

March *

Wed 2nd PTA Fashion Show

Tue 8th PTA Meeting 8pm

Wed 16th – 18th Y5 Residential Trip to New Barn

Fri 18th PTA Cake Sale

Mon 21st Y6 Oxford Castle Trip

Wed 23rd Y5 Viking Workshop

Thur 24th Easter Assembly – all welcome

Last Day of Term

* More information to follow