



LONG CRENDON SCHOOL

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## Super stuff- this week at Long Crendon!



### Science Week!



### Long Crendon Science Week

We have enjoyed a really exciting science week at Long Crendon this week, led by Mrs Deppe, our Science co-ordinator.

On Monday the whole school attended workshops. FS – Y5 did rocket building and Y6 were introduced to dissection!

The teachers all attended a very useful training session led by Science Oxford on Tuesday, where we acquired some great ideas and resources to use in class teaching of science.

Yesterday all the children attended science demonstrations by Mr Van Der Leeuw, which were really exciting (I went back to see 3 of the presentations because I enjoyed it so much!).

In each class there has been a science focus and the children have been working on projects, with the class winners announced today. Professor Tim Shreeve very kindly came in to speak to the children about his role as a scientist and he will be selecting the final two projects from the school to go forward to the Science Oxford finals.

Huge thanks to everyone who helped make the week such a success and inspired the children to want to be scientists!



### More photos to follow!

Science project winners:

- Y6: Fizza, Charlie, Alessandra, Bella, Jessica & Maurits – Heart rate Investigation
- Y5: Harriet, Holly N, Edith – Which material is the most waterproof?
- Y4: Phoebe, Bella, Mia – Which paper aeroplane flies the longest?
- Y3: Malakai, Darcy, Maisie, Joe – Which apple rots the quickest when in different liquids?
- Y2: Poppy, Brooke, Diyasha – Which spaghetti is the stickiest?
- Y1: George, Wilkie, Daisy, Esme W, Marleigh, Amy – Can an egg survive a drop from the fort?

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Our current value is  
**Resilience**

If you can't fly then run  
If you can't run then walk  
If you can't walk then crawl  
But whatever you do  
you have to keep  
moving forward.

-Martin Luther King

THE HEALTH SESSIONS

## SPORTS UPDATE

### YEAR 6 DANCE

Ten Year 6 girls took part in a Dance Festival at Waddesdon School. In lessons the whole class have been exploring African Dance and learning how their culture influences their Dance. The team choreographed their own dance with a little bit of help! Dressed in tribal costume and with war paint the team performed an excellent dance. They came 2nd, missing first place by only point 2 of a mark! They will now perform in the County Finals.

### YEAR 2 DANCE

Ten Year 2 pupils went to Waddesdon Secondary School to take part in a Dance Festival. The theme was 'Fairytale' and our children performed a dance based on The Little Mermaid. The whole of the Year 2 class explored dance movements to the music 'Under the Sea' and the dance team incorporated some of these movements into their Dance. The team showed great courage as they performed their Dance to parents and children.

Long Crendon came 2<sup>nd</sup>. Well done Year 2's! They will now perform in the Finals at the end of March.

### CROSS COUNTRY

The Corby twins in Year 6 took part in the Bucks Cross Country Championships at Stowe School. There were about 140 runners in their race so they did amazingly well coming 4th and 5th! They showed great determination and resilience especially with a tough uphill run at the end. They will now represent Buckinghamshire and will take part in the Nationals at Loughborough in March. A fantastic achievement girls!

### SWIMMING

Twenty children from Year 5 & 6 took part in a Swimming Festival at Stoke Mandeville School. We entered A, B and C teams giving as many children as possible a chance to participate. They all swam with great determination and focus. The C team especially showed great courage and resilience, as for some of them this was the first time they had participated in a swimming Gala.

The B team came 2nd and the C team came 3rd out of 8 schools. There were 17 schools taking part in the A team Festival which was very competitive, with an extremely high standard of swimming. They came 6<sup>th</sup> out of the 17 schools.



### Polite Request

Twice in the past two weeks, we have had parents allow their children to use the staff car park and green area next to it as a toilet. If your child needs the toilet, please come into school and ask – our outdoor space and staff cars are not a public convenience!

## School Travel Planning Working Group Welcomes new PCSO

PCSO Sue Jones invited PCSO Danny Fahy to our School Travel Plan Working Group meeting this month. Danny has been a PCSO for several years and is now joining the Waddesdon base. Danny remarked at the wealth of initiatives in place and the impact these were having, especially by involving the children through the Junior Road Safety Officers in Year 6. Helen Smith is the School Travel Plan coordinator at the school and first set up the travel plan with the school community in 2003. We have achieved and maintained Modeshift Gold standard, one of the few schools to do such nationally. However, we need more local people involved to assist with the initiatives. The group meet for an hour termly and then staff and volunteers facilitate the organisation of the initiatives in school and support the JRSOs with their role in such. All pupils currently take part in Footsteps Road Safety awareness run by our trained volunteers and scooter training run by Haddenham Cycle training. They are also offered greatly subsidised cycle training. The aim of such is to promote walking, cycling and scootering to school to reduce the number of cars around the school gate area- promoting the health and environmental benefits. Our last survey showed that 86% of pupils used these sustainable travel methods and another 2% car shared with other than their family. If you are able to get involve, even for just a few hours here and there, please contact the school office with the reference Travel Plan. Telephone: 01844 208225 or email [office@longcrendon.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:office@longcrendon.bucks.sch.uk)



Parking near to the school

To assist with everyone's safety, please do not park close to Carters Lane junction as this obscures visibility for people crossing the Chilton Road with all the traffic building up and increases air pollution. Also, please do not park close to any junctions or across driveways. If you see a car that is parked in such a dangerous manner, please take a photo and forward to our local PCSO Sue Jones at [Suzan.Jones@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Suzan.Jones@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk) noting the location, date and time with registration number if this is not clear. It is better for everyone's health in terms of fitness, alertness and air pollution and safety that you park further away from school and walk 5 or 10 minutes to the school gate. Similarly to switch off the car engine whilst waiting rather than leave it idling.

## Film Club

Why not start the half term break with a great family movie on Friday evening? The Long Crendon Film Club will be showing the amazing Disney Pixar movie Coco. This film is a real treat for all the family and is being shown at the earlier time of 7:30pm.

Details [www.longcrendonfilmclub.com](http://www.longcrendonfilmclub.com)



## Diary Dates

### FEBRUARY

Weds 27<sup>th</sup> Y5 trip to Oxford Mosque

### MARCH

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> PTA Family Quiz  
Mon 4<sup>th</sup>\* Y2 Great Fire of London Day  
Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> World Book Day – Dressing Up  
Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Y6 trip to Bucks County Museum  
Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Y3 trip to Cadburys World  
Sat 23<sup>rd</sup>\* Cross Country, Waddesdon  
Mon 25<sup>th</sup>\* Parents' Evening  
Weds 27<sup>th</sup>\* Parents' Evening

\*More information to follow

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