



LONG CRENDON SCHOOL

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Our current value is enthusiasm!



Super stuff- this week at Long Crendon!



Visiting the chocolate factory!

Could you help teach the children some playground games?

We'd love some parent volunteers to help teach traditional playground games at break (10.25-10.40) or Lunchtime (12.15-1.15).

Please contact the school office if you'd like to help!

Year 3 spent an exciting day at Cadbury World as part of their Bean to Bar chocolate project!



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## Staffing Update for 2019-2020

In September our teaching staff will be as follows:

FS Mr Poote

Y1 Mrs Rea & Mrs Brooks

Y2 Mrs Deppe (Mrs Duffy will teach half a day)

Y3 Miss Nolan

Y4 Mrs McVean & Mrs Duffy

Y5 Ms Jennings and a 2 day a week cover for Mrs Bowden, who will return to work in January

Y6 Miss Brown

We will soon be advertising for a 2 day a week maternity cover role in Year 5.

An update on TAs will follow as soon as decisions are made.

## PTA News

### Family quiz

Thanks you to all the families who supported and attended the family quiz night which raised £390.00.

### Coffee and croissants morning

And thank you to everyone who took time out of their morning to chat with the PTA recently over coffee and croissants. There were some interesting and useful suggestions about how we can make the PTA even more inclusive and how we can better communicate with parents.

### School funding

We've created a simple guide to better explain our school's funding to parents. It's available on the school website at <http://www.longcrendon.bucks.sch.uk/for-parents/pta/> and explains how much funding the school receives, what it's spent on, and why our school is in desperate need of more funding to pay for critical resources.

### Call for volunteers

We're on the look-out for volunteers to help organise a couple of events coming up - if you can spare a couple of evenings in the pub we'd really appreciate your help with planning and admin. Email [longcrendonpta@gmail.com](mailto:longcrendonpta@gmail.com) if you can help out in any small way.

## Sport, sport and more sport!

This has been a busy term for sporting activities!

### Year 3 & 4 basketball

The Year 3 & 4 Basketball team played in the County Finals at The Sir Thomas Freemantle School in Winslow. The matches were fast and intense with tight marking being shown by all the schools. Our team had to up their game as they were now playing the best schools in the County. They won some, draw one and lost a few. The final result placed our team 4th.....excellent work Long Crendon :)

### Year 3 & 4 tennis

Two teams competed in the Waddesdon Festival. The teams played in two different pools, the winner of each pool played each other in the Final and the runners up played a semi Final. Both our teams showed an impressive level of skill, coming 2nd and 3rd. The Year 4 team lost to the winning team by only one point, so it was very close! Both teams go on to the Finals in June.

### KS2 gymnastics festival

This is a new Festival this year. We entered a Year 3 & 4 team and a Year 5 & 6 team. The teams competed in a floor exercise, body management skills and vaulting. They loved being able to perform on lovely thick matting that didn't slip, and showed great courage performing in front of the Judges and other children. The Year 3 & 4 team came 2nd and the Year 5 & 6 team came 3rd. This competition was opened to two Partnership areas. We came first in our Partnership in both age groups and thus go through to the County Finals in Milton Keynes. Impressive work girls!

### Hockey match

Year 3 & 4's and Year 5 & 6's played in a Hockey match against Haddenham School. This was our Year 3 & 4's first Hockey Match, and although they lost 8 -1 they learned a lot and showed great determination through the game. The Year 5 & 6's played with a high level of skill and team work which resulted in a convincing win of 11 -1.





## Diary Dates

### MARCH

- Sat 23rd Cross Country, Waddesdon
- Mon 25th Parents' Evening
- Weds 27th Parents' Evening

### APRIL

- \*Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Y5 Viking Day
- Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Easter Service at St. Mary's
- Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Last day of Spring Term
- Mon 8<sup>th</sup> – Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> EASTER HOLIDAYS
- Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> INSET Day – Staff only in School
- Weds 24<sup>th</sup> Back to school for all
- Tues 30<sup>th</sup> Join us for coffee and to meet The Chair of Governors

\*More information to follow



## Unlocking Imagination in Y3

Mr Yeardsley (Joe and Poppy's dad) came in last week to talk to us about unlocking our imagination! He did a few games to show us how we can spark imagination and creativity! And how just being more mindful and having '5 minutes out' to let the brain 'think' can help our thoughts run wild! This has tied in well as in PSHE in Y3 we have been looking at the power of 'boredom' and how just being bored or having nothing to do can be great! Just reflecting for 5 minutes can improve our mental health and make us better problem solvers!



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