

Longden CE Primary School and Nursery Newsletter Friday 13th September 2024



Welcome back!

The new term has begun with some soggy days, but hopefully it will be a little brighter and warmer next week. Please make sure your child is ready for the day and have all they need with them e.g book bags and a named coat. Class teachers will have shared days such as PE and Forest School with you already, but please do ask if you aren't sure.

We have planned in key dates and events for the whole academic year already and these will be available to you very soon on our website. We will send a Dojo link out once this is ready.

We are looking forwards to welcoming families at special assemblies at least once every half term. These will begin at 9am on named dates and all are on a Friday. We aim to give everyone as much notice as we can, and have listened to your feedback when planning the big events such as Christmas performances and sports day in order to accommodate a bigger audience for performances and more time to hold sports day in the event of bad weather.

The first of these assemblies will be on Friday 4th October for our Harvest Celebration. Please join us for a 9am start.

Thank you again for ensuring children arrive promptly in class for 8.30am. Don't forget we now offer breakfast club from 7.45am if this makes mornings a little easier for you. Please contact the school office for more information or to book your child in.

PTA Appeal - ASDA Cashpots for Schools - Please act now to raise funds for our school

We've got some exciting news to share with you.

Parentkind – a charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative. To support our school, all you have to do is opt-in through the Asda Rewards app, shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com.

Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024 – every time you shop with Asda using your Asda Rewards app, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen Primary school. Also, every time somebody opts-in to support our Primary school, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

The supermarket has joined forces with Joe Wicks to support the initiative – look out for the TV advert, radio ads and social media coverage!

It's as easy as 1,2,3

1. Download the Asda Rewards app, register and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools (make sure you have the latest version of the app installed)

<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/asda-rewards/id1578902078>

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.asda.rewards&pcampaignid=web_share

2. Choose our Primary School – either searching by name or postcode

3. Shop instore across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com and start filling your Cashpot as you shop

Asda does the rest, all money raised will be donated to schools to spend on the things they need the most. We are aiming to spend our donations on *new IT Equipment*.

Remember, anyone can sign up – so start spreading the news and raising funds for our school.

This initiative is on top of the existing Asda Rewards benefits you get as a shopper – so you won't lose out on any of your own earnings or Cashpot, so everyone is a winner!

For more details, visit asda.com/cashpotforschools

So far we have raised £73.29! Many thanks

INTRODUCING CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

Download and opt-in with Asda Rewards
and we will donate **££s** to schools.



HERE'S HOW:

- 1** Download the Asda Rewards app and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools.
- 2** Choose your primary school
- 3** Shop in-store across Asda & George, and scan your Asda Rewards app at the checkout.
- 4** Shopping online? Simply log in to Asda.com using the same details as your Asda Rewards account.
- 5** We'll do the rest!
We donate ££s to your chosen school every time you shop, so they can spend it on exactly what they need.



Selected stores. Minimum spend £2+. Exclusions apply including Asda Express & George.com. Subject to availability. UK 18+. App & Opt in required.
0.5% of the value of a customer's eligible shop is donated. Publicly funded primary schools, must register with Parenikind charity 1072633.
Full T&Cs at asda.com/cashpotforschools. Rewards T&Cs at asda.com/rewards/terms. Ends 30.11.24

After School Sports and Activity Clubs from September 2024

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After School Sports and Activity Clubs Autumn Term 1 (w/c 9th September - w/c 21st October 2024)					
Day	Club	Details	Time	Cost	Age Groups and Tutors
Tuesday	Football	The group will be split into three teams based on age/ability	3:15pm-4:15pm	£3.50 per session	For Years 1- 6: run by Passmaster coaches
Tuesday	Loopy Loos Drama	Drama and Performing Arts Club	3:15pm-4:15pm	£3.50 per session	For Years 3-6: with Lucy Lowrie-Herz
Wednesday	Jammy Dodgers	'Jammy Dodgers' - a multi skills fun club with small sided games. Run by an experienced PE coach, Sasha, from Passmasters	3:15pm-4:15pm	£3.50 per session	For Reception, Year 1 and Year 2: run by Passmaster coaches
Wednesday	Netball	Netball club for Years 4-6, led by Alice	3:15pm-4:15pm	£3.50 per session	Y4,5,6
Wednesday	Ukulele Club	Years 2 and 3 from beginner level (max of 15 children)	3:15pm-4:15pm	No charge	Years 2 and 3: with Mr Higgs
Thursday	Girls' Football Club	Girls' football club led by Mr Russ	3:15pm-4:15pm	£3.50 per session	For Years 3-6: with Mr Russ
Thursday	Livewires	Inclusive fun club from Reception to Year 6, aimed at children with disabilities or those who may need a little encouragement to participate in sport. Child-led fun games and activities with a focus on keeping fit and active whilst building friendships. Run by a very experienced PE teacher, Tina Owen, from Passmasters.	3:15pm-4:15pm	£3.50 per session	For Reception to Year 6: run by Passmaster coaches

Please note: To sign up for any after school clubs please log into ParentPay and click on the Yellow Banner on the homepage. All clubs are available to book in blocks every half term. Please book before the start of each half term to ensure your child's name is on the register. *All clubs will run from w/c 09/09/2024 until w/c 21/10/24. Please note we accept tax free childcare vouchers for payment of sports and activity clubs. Please enquire at the school office for further information.

All clubs commenced this week and are bookable on ParentPay now for the first Autumn Half Term. **Please ensure your child has the correct kit for the club they are attending - for football clubs, football boots and shin pads are recommended. Please also ensure that children have a warm layer and waterproof jacket.**

Settling in Interviews, Tuesday 15th and Thursday 17th October 2024, 3.30-5.30pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our first parent's evenings of the year is an opportunity for you to meet with the class teacher and to see how your child has settled into the new school year. Each appointment is five minutes long, so please arrange to see the class teacher at another time should you feel that you need it following parent's evening.

The parent-teacher meetings are on Tuesday 15th and Thursday 17th October 2024 between 3.30pm and 5.30pm.

To make your appointments please login at: <https://parents-booking.co.uk/longden> To login you will need to enter your full name, your child's name ([First Name] [Last Name]) and your child's date of birth ([Birth Date]). The login details you enter must match those we have on record for you.

Appointments will be available to book from **6pm on Friday 13th September 2024**. After you have made your appointments you can choose to print or e-mail confirmation.

If you cannot login please contact the school office.

N.B. The email address field on the login page is only used to send your appointment confirmation. If you have problems logging in, it will not be because of the e-mail address you entered.

Kind regards,

Mrs Johnson

Swimming Lessons 24/25

We are changing the organisation and delivery of swimming lessons from September 2024. We will continue to go to Shrewsbury School for lessons but these will now start for children in Year 4 and 5 for eight weeks. This will mean that these year groups have dedicated sessions to develop their competence and proficiency in the water.

Any Year 5 children who are unable to swim 25 metres at the end of these blocks will be offered additional small group lessons in Year 5 & 6.

*We know that younger children may be disappointed to not be going swimming with school, but we hope that by having smaller, focused groups with more lessons provided, the children will benefit greatly from these new arrangements. Lessons have started for Year 4s and 5s on **Wednesday 11th September 2024.***

Please check ParentPay to provide consent and a contribution towards the cost of these lessons. We are again this year subsidising 50% of the cost of these lessons. If you are unable to make a contribution please contact Mrs Johnson or Mrs Bradshaw to request support. Thank you

LONGDEN SWIMMING SCHEDULE 2024-25 AY				
Year Group	Weeks in Block	Dates	Weekday	Session Time
Year 4 and 5	1	11/09/2024	Wednesday	11.15am-12.15pm
Year 4 and 5	2	18/09/2024	Wednesday	11.15am-12.15pm
Year 4 and 5	3	25/09/2024	Wednesday	11.15am-12.15pm
Year 4 and 5	4	02/10/2024	Wednesday	11.15am-12.15pm
Year 4 and 5	5	09/10/2024	Wednesday	11.15am-12.15pm
Year 4 and 5	6	16/10/2024	Wednesday	11.15am-12.15pm
Year 4 and 5	7	23/10/2024	Wednesday	11.15am-12.15pm
Year 4 and 5	8	06/11/2024	Wednesday	11.15am-12.15pm

Thank you to Homes Plus

A very big THANK YOU to Home Plus for their very generous £500 donation to the school towards IT equipment.



Longden CE Primary School and Nursery - Terms and Holiday Programme 2024-25

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<https://www.longden.shropshire.sch.uk/term-dates-and-school-opening-hours/>

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September 2024	October 2024	November 2024	December 2024	January 2025
M 2 9 16 23 30	M 7 14 21 28	M 4 11 18 25	M 2 9 16 23 30	M 6 13 20 27
T 3 10 17 24	T 8 15 22 29	T 5 12 19 26	T 3 10 17 24 31	T 7 14 21 28
W 4 11 18 25	W 2 9 16 23 30	W 6 13 20 27	W 4 11 18 25	W 1 8 15 22 29
Th 5 12 19 26	Th 3 10 17 24 31	Th 7 14 21 28	Th 5 12 19 26	Th 2 9 16 23 30
F 6 13 20 27	F 4 11 18 25	F 8 15 22 29	F 6 13 20 27	F 3 10 17 24 31
S 7 14 21 28	S 5 12 19 26	S 2 9 16 23 30	S 7 14 21 28	S 4 11 18 25
Su 1 8 15 22 29	Su 6 13 20 27	Su 3 10 17 24	Su 1 8 15 22 29	Su 5 12 19 26

February 2025	March 2025	April 2025	May 2025	June 2025
M 3 10 17 24	M 3 10 17 24 31	M 7 14 21 28	M 5 12 19 26	M 2 9 16 23 30
T 4 11 18 25	T 4 11 18 25	T 1 8 15 22 29	T 6 13 20 27	T 3 10 17 24
W 5 12 19 26	W 5 12 19 26	W 2 9 16 23 30	W 7 14 21 28	W 4 11 18 25
Th 6 13 20 27	Th 6 13 20 27	Th 3 10 17 24	Th 1 8 15 22 29	Th 5 12 19 26
F 7 14 21 28	F 7 14 21 28	F 4 11 18 25	F 2 9 16 23 30	F 6 13 20 27
S 1 8 15 22	S 1 8 15 22 29	S 5 12 19 26	S 3 10 17 24 31	S 7 14 21 28
Su 2 9 16 23	Su 2 9 16 23 30	Su 6 13 20 27	Su 4 11 18 25	Su 1 8 15 22 29

July 2025	August 2025
M 7 14 21 28	M 4 11 18 25
T 1 8 15 22 29	T 5 12 19 26
W 2 9 16 23 30	W 6 13 20 27
Th 3 10 17 24 31	Th 7 14 21 28
F 4 11 18 25	F 8 15 22 29
S 5 12 19 26	S 2 9 16 23 30
Su 6 13 20 27	Su 3 10 17 24 31

Shropshire Council	
School Day	190
School Holiday	57
Bank Holiday	8
PD Days	5

2024/2025	
Autumn 1st Half	38 days
Autumn 2nd Half	35 days
Spring 1st Half	29 days
Spring 2nd Half	35 days
Summer 1st Half	18 days
Summer 2nd Half	35 days
Staff Total	195 days
Pupil Total	190 days

(Pupils required to attend for 190 days)

Dates for the diary - Autumn Term

Harvest Sharing Assembly- **Fri 4th Oct 24 - 9am**



Tempest Photography - individual & sibling photos - **Fri 11th Oct 24**

Year R to Year 6 - Nasal Influenza Immunisation Vaccine - **Mon 21st Oct**

Christmas Performances - **Mon 16th & Tue 17th Dec 24**



More details to follow.






Sealegs Puppet Show at Longden - **Thursday 19th Dec 24**



Whole School - Sleeping Beauty Pantomime @ Theatre Severn - Friday 10th Jan 25

New School Menus from September 2024

Week 1






LONGDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL MENU WEEK ONE: 2 nd September, 23 rd September, 14 th October, 11 th November, 2 nd December					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
THE MAIN EVENT	Hot Dogs  Herby Diced Potatoes	Chilli Con Carne  50/50 Rice or Pasta Nachos	Traditional Roast Pork  Yorkshire Pudding & Tasty Gravy	Pasta Neapolitan(V) or Macaroni Cheese  Garlic Bread	Chicken Nuggets  Chips or Pasta
ON THE SIDE	Pasta, Sweetcorn Baked Beans Salad	Crusty Bread Cauliflower, Sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes New Potatoes Broccoli, Peas	Green beans, Carrots Salad	Sweetcorn Green Beans Baked Beans
TO FINISH	Fruit Muffin	Chocolate Shortbread	Fruit Jelly	Strawberry Mousse	Assorted Cookies
AVAILABLE DAILY	Available Daily: Healthy Side Salad, Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit Pots <u>Vegetarian options are available upon request- Please speak to the school office for more information</u>				





Week 2






MENU

LONGDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL MENU WEEK TWO: 9th & 30th September, 1st & 21st October, 8th November, 9th December

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
THE MAIN EVENT	Butter Chicken Curry  Naan Bread 50/50 Rice	Big Breakfast  Sausage Scrambled Eggs	Traditional Roast Chicken  Yorkshire Pudding and Tasty Gravy	Toad in the Hole  Mashed Potatoes	Breaded Salmon Fishcake  Chips or Pasta
ON THE SIDE	Sweetcorn Peas Salad	Baked Beans Mushrooms Crusty Bread	Roast Potatoes Mashed Potatoes Carrots & Peas	Carrots Green Beans Salad	Baked Beans Peas & Sweetcorn Salad
TO FINISH	Fruit Jelly	Iced Sponge Cake	Angel Delight	Cornflake Tart	Eton Mess
AVAILABLE DAILY	Available Daily: Healthy Side Salad, Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit Pots <u>Vegetarian options are available upon request- Please speak to the school office for more information</u>				

Week 3

LONGDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL MENU WEEK THREE: 16 September, 7 th October, 4 th & 25 th November, 16 th December					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
THE MAIN EVENT	Breaded Chicken Steak 	Meatballs in a Rich Tomato Sauce 	Traditional Roast Pork Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy 	Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla 	Selection of Pizza 
HASH BROWNS	Hash Browns	Pasta	Seasoned Stuffing & Tasty Gravy	50/50 Rice or Pasta	Potato Wedges
PASTA	Baked Beans Peas & Sweetcorn Salad	Carrot & Broccoli Salad	Roast Potatoes Mashed Potatoes Carrots & Cauliflower	Green Beans Sweetcorn Baked Beans, Salad	Baked Beans Peas & Carrots Salad
TO FINISH	Fruit Topped Waffle	Sparkling Fruit Jelly	Iced Sponge Cake	Chocolate Brownie	Assorted Cookies
AVAILABLE DAILY	Available Daily: Healthy Side Salad, Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit Pots Vegetarian options are available upon request- Please speak to the school office for more information				

Raising any safeguarding concerns as a parent

- Please report your concerns to Shropshire First Point Of Contact on 0345 678 9021
- If you need to report concerns out of office hours please contact the Emergency Social Work Team¹ on 0345 678 9040 selecting option 1

You can also speak to:

- Protecting Vulnerable People (West Mercia Police): 0300 333 3000
- NSPCC: 0800 800 5000
- Childline: 0800 1111


You can also talk to Mrs Johnson in school.

If you want to report criminal behaviour, please telephone 0800 555 111 or go to <https://www.westmercia.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/>

¹<https://shropshire.gov.uk/emergency-social-work-team/>

Out of school clubs & activities

Shrewsbury Hockey Club



**ENJOY HOCKEY!
AT SHREWSBURY
HOCKEY CLUB**



Learn from fully qualified England Hockey accredited coaches.

Children age 4-10 - Sundays at 10.30am-12pm.

Children age 10+ - Tuesdays at 6-7pm & Wednesdays at 7-8.15pm.

Sessions at **Roman Road Sports Centre, Meole Brace School.**

✓ Beginners Welcome ✓ Equipment Provided ✓ Free Taster Session

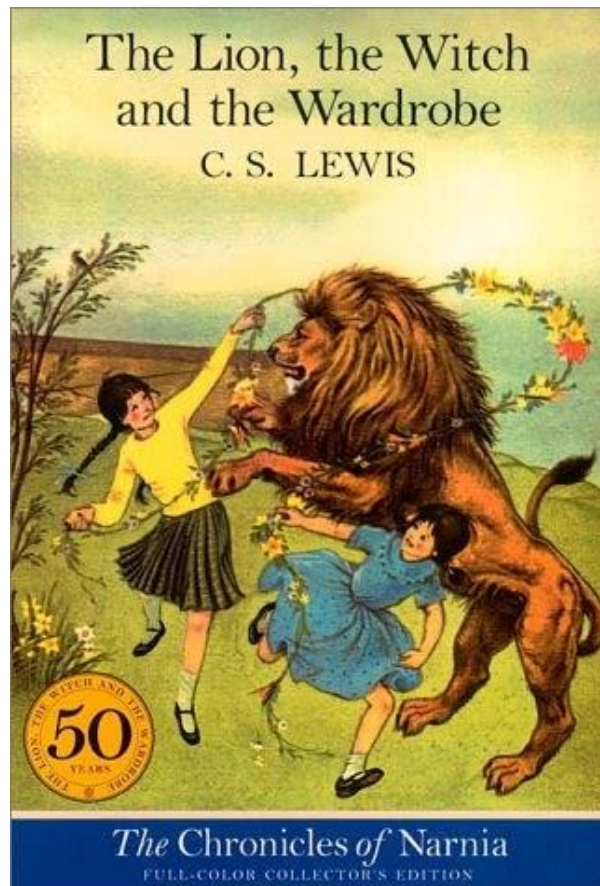


Contact: James - 07837 708 773
shrewsburyhc_juniors@outlook.com
www.shrewsburyhockeyclub.co.uk

The Lion, the Witch & The Wardrobe

Some older children studied this book last year, so they might like to go along and see the book come alive!

<https://www.atatickets.com/shows/the-lion-the-witch-and-the-wardrobe/the-alexandra-theatre-birmingham/>



Free School Transport

Is your child attending the nearest and/or catchment primary school and living two miles or more from school? If so, they may be entitled to receive free school transport. Please read through the guidance notes below and following that, should you wish to apply, please follow the link below.

You can apply for either free school transport at a community school or school transport assistance on denominational (religious) grounds

In order to be eligible to receive free school transport the following criteria must normally be met:

- The pupil must be ordinarily resident in Shropshire
- The pupil must be in attendance at either the nearest, or catchment area school and live more than 2 miles away (for primary aged pupils) or 3 miles away (for secondary aged pupils). Distances are measured using the shortest pedestrian route between the home and school.

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/school-transport/available-support/primary/>