



Newsletter

Friday 26th February 2016

"All Learning Together"

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Dear Parents,

It has been wonderful to see signs of Spring this week as we all return to school after the half term holiday.



It has been a very busy first week back. Monday saw the children from Reception all the way to Year 6 having First Aid lessons with St John's Ambulance. The children enjoyed the day and have hopefully learnt some very important skills. We will be setting up a First Aid Club to continue this good work. Well done to everyone who took part.

Those of you who have been into school this week will have noticed the developments in our playground. The school has submitted an application to the Big Lottery Fund and we were successful in our bid. The purpose of the bid was to extend the amount of playground the children have to use especially in the winter months when they are unable to use the grassed area. The surface around the tyres is a non-slip, all weather surface which will be able to be used all year round. The children are starting to use the new play area today and we hope they will get lots of enjoyment from it.

We continue to be involved in many extra-curricular activities. Next week, Class 1 will be taking part in a KS1 football tournament, Year 6 will be completing Bikeability training, Year 5 will be attending a Taster Day at Norton College, and on Friday, we are hosting an inter-school Netball competition. In amongst all of this, we will be participating in many activities linked to Book Week, so next Friday, I very much look forward to seeing the children dressing up as a story character. Now I just need to decide which character I will choose! I have decided against Miss Trunchbull...

With very best wishes,

Rachel Ray



Book week February 29th- March 4th 2016.



All children can bring a book from home to read during DEAR time. This will take place at 1pm each day during Book Week.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Throughout the week lessons in each class will be based on books by a particular author

Class 1- Beatrix Potter
Class 2- Roald Dahl
Class 3-Michael Morpurgo

On World Book day- Thursday 3rd March 2016 during last lesson, teachers will swap classes and read a story to a different class.

On Thursday children if they would like can bring in books they have finished reading and swap them for one they haven't read. This will take place at lunchtime between 12.30-1.00pm in the library area.

On Friday March 4th children and staff will dress up as a book character.

Who will you choose to be? I am hoping to be able to recognise every book character!

Mrs R. Laverack

Tickets on sale now!! Tickets on sale now!! Tickets on sale now!!

Please buy your tickets for the Pamper Night on the Friday 18th March from Sam in the School Office.

Donations for the raffle would be appreciated, a few ideas are: bottles of wine (or fizz!), box of chocolates, unwanted Christmas presents, gift sets/smellies etc. Please can these be brought into School by the 11th March.

Homemade sweet and savoury canapés will be served throughout the evening, any offers of help would be much appreciated. Please contact Hayley Johnson if you can help. (Hayley.johnson@sodexo.com or I will be in the playground on a Wednesday and Friday drop off and pick up)

The following treatments (so far, we have a few still to confirm!) will be available on the night:

- Amazing Beauty offering mini manicure, nail polishing and threading
- VIP's Salon offering nail polishing and threading
- Mini treatments from the Forever Living range
- Younique cosmetic range - mini make overs and cosmetic tutorials
- Hypnotherapy and relaxation introduction sessions
- Reflexology sessions
- Aromatherapy massage and reflexology

The first treatment is included in the price of the ticket however further treatments can be purchased on the night for £5 each.

Chocolate Bingo

Tuesday 22nd March - 3.30pm - letters will be going out shortly for tickets.

Thanks in advance for your support.

Langton Globetrotters!

After a winning performance at the KS2 Basketball Derwent Arms Shield, our slam dunking basketballers earned themselves a place in the area finals. **Olivia and Hannah** report...

"On Thursday 11th February 2016, Olivia, Hannah, Louis, John, Taylor, Ella, Martha, Rohan, Oliver and Toby went to the basketball finals at Lady Lumley's School. We played as a team of 5 and swapped subs half way through.

"First we played St Joseph's. We beat the 4-2 but the game was quite close.



Our second match was against Whitby - that we lost 12-10. A great score, but not good enough. Next we played Lythe, a school of really tall people. Despite the height issue, we managed to draw 2-2. Fourth was Kirbymoorside. This was the school that we are pretty sure win every sports competition on the planet. They won 12-0. Our last match was against Pickering Jr's. During this match, we scored 3 baskets and won 6-4.

"In the end, we came 3rd. But seeing that we got to the finals, this meant we came 3rd out of 52 schools. This was a really fun competition and we all enjoyed it!"

Swimming Gala

Louis and Martha report on our performance at the swimming gala....

"On Tuesday 9th February, Langton Swimming Team went to the Derwent Swimming Gala. The team was made up of nine people; Lily, Louis, Martha, Oliver, Olivia, Rohan, Taylor, Arthur and Constance.

"First, we got changed and went onto poolside. Then we all had a warm up swim. For all of our races, Langton were in lane 3. Up first was Lily's breaststroke race. She came 3rd but it was very close! Then it was Louis with his breaststroke race. He also came 3rd.

"Now it was backstroke. First it was Martha - she came 5th but it was a close race. Then it was Oliver with his backstroke and he came 2nd, a very good result! Next it was front crawl. Olivia was the first to do front crawl and she came 4th, but it was so close. Then it was Rohan. He did really well and managed to come 1st!!

"Now it was the results for the individual races. Louis, Oliver and Rohan all got a certificate and Rohan got a medal.

"It was now the freestyle relay and up first it was the girls; Taylor, Constance, Olivia and Lily. They came a very close 4th. Then it was the boy's freestyle relay; Arthur, Louis Oliver and Rohan came a very close 2nd! Martha, Lily, Taylor and Constance then came 4th in the girl's medley relay, and the boys - Louis, Rohan, Arthur and Oliver came a very close 3rd in the boy's relay.

"Next it was the results for the Small Schools winners - Langton won and we all got a certificate. We also came 5th out of the whole competition.

"Welburn School won and got medals. Everybody tried really hard and did really well. Thankfully, Mr Cairns didn't get as wet as last time!!"



Is it nearly done yet?.....

The children watched with great interest as work progressed on the new Tyre Park, paid for with money from the Big Lottery Fund! The wait until Friday to get a chance to play on it seemed like a lifetime!



Doctor in the house!

Much bandaging (no mummies please!) and putting into the recovery position ensued and a great day was had by all. **Rohan and Taylor** tell us what they learnt..

*"On Monday 22nd February, St John's Ambulance came to visit. A man called Eric taught us all about first aid. Class 3 and half of Class 2 had him in the morning, and the rest of the school had him in the afternoon. We did the following events; **Casualty care, First response** (which is where you are the first to the scene and you have to look for danger), **Recovery position, Bandaging, and DRSABC** - this means; **Danger, Response, Shout for help, Airway, Breathing, Circulation.***

This was a really fun activity and we think everyone enjoyed it and learnt something new. We would all love to do this again."



Bikeability

Year 6 will be undertaking their Bikeability training on Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd March. **Please note that bikes will need to be in school for Wednesday morning** and we will store them in school overnight ready for the Thursday session should you wish. If you haven't yet returned your forms to school, please get them in as soon as possible so they are here for the start of the training. Thank you!

Science Report

Our intrepid Class 3 scientists have been off to Malton School this week, for their second science workshop. **Constance, Hannah and Lily** tell us what they got up to...

"On Tuesday 23rd February, some of Class 3 went to Malton Secondary school to take part in a science workshop.

"Firstly, Mrs Quick took Hannah, Constance and Lily, while Mrs Cogger took Eddie, Richard and Arthur.

"When we arrived at our destination, we were greeted by Mr Rumney, who was our teacher for the afternoon. He took us to Lab 38 and sat us all down. Then he brought in a giant vacuum and a trolley containing everything we would need during the lesson.

"We were told we were making wind turbines and to do this, we could use anything from the trolley. There were things like polystyrene cups and paper plates (and lots of blue tack!) We had one hour to make our windmills and then test them. We were allowed to get into twos or threes with whoever we wanted and then create whatever kind of windmill we wanted. The girls from Langton went in a three, and the boys also went in a three.

"When we finished making our magnificent creations, we were allowed to test them in private, and improve our design. To test our creations, we attached our windmills to a volt maker and blew wind from the vacuum directly at it.

"Once we had improved our designs, we quickly found out who had won. The winners were the girls from Amotherby. Overall, we had a great day and we really enjoyed it."

ParentPay

ParentPay is on its way! Soon you will be able to pay for school dinners, clubs and trips online. More details to follow....



Sainsbury's vouchers

Please don't forget that we are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers that you collect whilst doing your shopping or filling the car up. The last date that vouchers will be issued is Tuesday 3rd May, so let's see how many we can collect!



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Class 2 Swimming Sessions

Class 2 will be starting their 10 weeks of swimming sessions on Thursday 21st April, 10-10.30am at Derwent Pool. We will be needing volunteers to accompany the children during their lessons, so if you have any time free, and could attend any of the sessions, please email Sam in the office and let he know when you would be available. All offers of help are most gratefully received!

School Dinners

Just a reminder to all that this half term's dinner money is **£50.40**. **This must be paid in advance** and can be paid weekly, half termly or termly. Cheques are made payable to 'Langton Primary School'. The Spring Term menu can be found on the school website. If you need to check your current balance, please contact Sam in the Office.

Parents Evening

Parent's Evenings this term are being held on Tuesday 15th and Thursday 17th March. Please return your appointment slip if you haven't done so already. Please note that Mrs Ray will not be in school on Tuesday 15th as she is away at a Headteacher conference, so, if for any reason, you had wished to speak to her, please contact school so that we can arrange an appointment.

Headteacher's Forum

Mrs Ray will be holding the next of her Headteacher's Forum meetings on **Thursday 10th March at 2.30pm**. During this meeting, we will be discussing the possible options for uniform for September 2016 and final decisions will be made at this meeting. If you have any items that you would like adding the agenda, please email them to the school office. We look forward to seeing you there.

Dates for your diary

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| School Nurses - Height/weight (Rec & Yr 6) | Monday 29 th February |
| World Book Week | Mon 29 th February - Fri 4 th March |
| Yr 5 Taster Day @ Norton College | Wednesday 2 nd March |
| Year 6 Bikeability Training | Weds 2 nd / Thurs 3 rd March |
| FoLS Meeting | Thursday 3 rd March, 3.15pm |
| World Book Day (please come dressed as your favourite story character!) | Friday 4 th March |
| Yrs 2 & 3 @ Hope Central Easter Experience | Wednesday 9 th March |
| Headteacher's Forum | Thursday 10 th March, 2.30pm |
| Class 3 "Play in a Day" | Monday 14 th March |
| Parents Evening | Tuesday 15 th March, 3.30-6.00pm |
| | Thursday 17 th March, 4.30-7.00pm |
| Sport Relief | Friday 18 th March |
| FoLS Pamper Night | Friday 18 th March |
| FoLS Chocolate Bingo | Tuesday 22 nd March, 3.15pm |
| End of Term! | <u>Thursday</u> 24 th March |
| Staff Training Day | Monday 11 th April |
| Start of the Summer Term | Tuesday 12 th April |
| FireFighters Charity Bags to School | Monday 18 th April (by 9.00am) |
| FoLS Spring Ball | Friday 22 nd April, 6.00-8.00pm |
| Class Photographs & Year 6 Leavers Photos | Tuesday 26 th April |
| Class 2 Residential - Peat Rigg | Thurs 12 th /Fri 13 th May |
| Yr 5 Taster Day @ Norton College | Wednesday 18 th May |

Sports Fixtures

Here are the sporting fixtures in which we will be competing during the Spring Term. As always, if your child has been selected to represent the school, a letter and consent slip will be sent home, so please make sure you check school bags! A big thank you to all those parents who make it possible for us to attend these fixtures by offering to help with transport (and cheerleading!)

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| KS1 Football Fun Festival | Wednesday 2 nd March, 1.00-3.00pm |
| KS2 HighFive Netball Tournament <i>Hosted by Leavening Primary School @ Langton</i> | Friday 4 th March, 1.00-3.00pm |
| KS2 HighFive Netball Twamley Shield | Wednesday 9 th March, 1.00-3.00pm |