

Long Meadow Matters

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Dear Parents and Carers

Ever wanted to travel around the world on a plane picking up things for the Queen? Well EYFS and Years 1 and 2 did exactly that! The children took part in a drama workshop run by @perform4schools. Its was so lovely seeing the children so engaged with drama, even when they had to hide from the crocodile in the toy shop. It appears that some children then re-enacted this at home. At LMS we love giving children differing opportunities, opportunities that allow them to explore who they are and what they enjoy.



Next week we have our Challenge Partners quality assurance review. Challenge Partners is an education charity, led by practitioners, through which schools collaborate to improve each other and the education system as a whole, so all children benefit. They work with schools across the country and focus on school improvement, leadership development and knowledge exchange. The schools in their network get great results: boosting exam and progress scores, improving Ofsted grades - and, most importantly, transforming children's life chances. They focus on looking at teaching and learning across the school, feedback what we do well and where, and some areas to develop. This type of external verification is really important, particularly for a school on the journey to Outstanding as we are currently. I look forward to sharing the highlights with you in the coming weeks.

Drop-ins w/c 10th February—As a school we are conscious of the length of time between consultations with parents. This drop-in is planned to shorten the time between the formal Autumn term consultations and the formal consultations which occur once the Annual School Reports have been issued on May 1st. These surgery style appointments are completely optional. A full, formal parent consultation will take place early in the Summer term to discuss your child's report, thus the optional nature and surgery style. Because this is a drop-in, parents will need to make appointments in a slightly different way. If you do wish to speak to the teacher **PLEASE CONTACT THE CLASS TEACHER DIRECTLY** who will arrange a mutually convenient appointment time at some point during that week. Times available will of course vary from teacher to teacher. We are of course aware of working parents in our school, so if you wish to arrange an appointment but are unable to come to the school to make one, please send a letter to the class teacher with a selection of times you are available. Please ensure this goes directly to the class teacher and not through the office if possible.

This year we will be trialling sending reports out at the beginning of the Summer term, after the Easter break. We believe that sending reports at this time of year gives you a comprehensive overview of your child's progress so far, but also allows us to set your child targets to be worked on during the Summer term, both at home and at school. Reception children will receive their EYFS report at the end of the Summer term; this is in line with national guidelines. Children's progress and achievements in Reception class will still be discussed during 'surgeries' and the formal consultations.

Have a great weekend and I hope you will all be watching the Six Nations!

Mr Gray



Congratulations to
Sticklebacks

who achieved
99.2%
attendance this week!!

Well done everybody!

Please may parents let us know if they or their children have visited any areas affected by the Coronavirus in recent weeks. Thank you in advance for you co-operation in this matter.

If parents wish to contact their child's teacher via email, please use office@longmeadow.milton-keynes.sch.uk and not any individual email addresses they may have.



Moorlands Family Centre Junior Youth Club – Wednesdays

For young people aged 8 – 11 during term time

Sports, arts and crafts, table football, trips – and lots more!

Learn new skills, make new friends and test your limits – every Wednesday (6pm – 7.30pm). Entry fee is 50p per night.

Come and join us at:

Moorlands Family centre,

6 Dodkin,

Beanhill,

MK6 4LP

For more information contact:

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Youth Faculty Rivers Centre, Trent Road, MK3 7PH



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Long Meadow Legends

Sehaj - Sticklebacks

Naidhrua - Pondskeepers

Maisy - Newts

Serena - Frogs

Zeeshan - Hogweed

Eva - Hawthorn

Thomas - Foxgloves

Kayla - Thistles

Iqrah - Ferns

Nicole - Teasels

Isabelle - Brambles