

29th March 2018



Badger Room: Easter came early for Badger Class when we were visited by the building company Taylor Wimpey on Monday to talk about the different stages in building

houses and how to stay safe near building sites. The children listened beautifully to the story ‘How We Build Your Home’ and were then thrilled to each be handed a reusable bag with a chocolate Easter Egg in! When making chocolate nests with Mrs Ledo, the children talked about the changes they could see as they melted butter and sugar together, and how the syrup helped it all stick to the crispies. In maths, they have been consolidating this term's learning by using their new knowledge to solve a range of number and shape problems. Thank you to all parents for your support this term - it has been a very busy five weeks but what a lot the children have achieved! Happy Easter!



Hedgehog Room: Hedgehogs have enjoyed learning about Springtime and Easter celebrations this week. We’ve been busy with Easter craft activities and lots of baking, mixing our own playdough to make eggs, searching for eggs around our garden and in our sand and water trays, and racing each other in egg and spoon races. We have learnt the names of different types of baby animals that we would find on a farm during Spring, and about different Springtime flowers. Please ask your children to teach you a new song we have learnt: ‘Hot Cross Buns, Easter Eggs and Fluffy Little Chicks’. The rainy weather on Wednesday also gave us the chance to explore puddles with powder paint and brushes.

Please continue to use Tapestry to share photos from home and activities over the Easter holidays. The children enjoy sharing their news at carpet time and it is exciting to see each other’s photos and videos!

Breakfast Club after Easter: We are now able to run Breakfast club for the Summer Term! This will be welcome news I’m sure! We have made some changes to the form so that you can give us any shift patterns etc. [PLEASE CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#). Please sign up ASAP so that we can start planning!

Easter Eggtravaganza: Wow!! We are absolutely blown away by the creativity of our children (and parents!!). The decorated rocks for the hunt were amazing and the Easter Bonnets took our breath away – particularly Helena’s whose bonnet won the competition. Thank you to everyone who donated to the tombola. The cakes that were brought in were absolutely delicious too, so thank you to the bakers who brought them in! We believe this to be the most successful PTFA event so far, raising over £100 in profit. Well done to everyone who took part and, of course, to the PTFA for organising such a lovely event for everyone.



Summer Festival: SAVE THE DATE Friday 13th July will be our big event of the year! Planning has already started, we will need plenty of volunteers on the day and of course all are welcome at the PTFA meetings. The next one is on Tuesday 24th April at 3:15-4:15pm in the school. If you have a business and would like a stall, please get in touch and if you wish to contact the PTFA about anything, you can do so through this email. If you would like to contact the PTFA, they have their very own email address: LPPSPTFA@longfordparkschool.org

School Trip after Easter: On Monday 23rd April we are planning a trip to Green Dragon Farm near Buckingham. This will tie in nicely with our topics and of course with the time of year, we should see some cute baby animals too! All children are encouraged to come, although 2 year olds will need to be accompanied by their own adult.

We are still waiting for everyone to give us their permission. Your child cannot come if we haven’t had your permission via this form, [CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE THE FORM](#)

Key Dates for your Diary:

- Monday 16th April, return to school
- Monday 23rd April, all school trip to Green Dragon Eco Farm, see letter for details
- Tuesday 24th April, PTFA Meeting (at school), 3:15-4:15pm – all welcome
- Friday 29th June – INSET day, no children in school
- Friday 13th July, 5:30-8:30pm – Summer Festival, details to follow

Have an egg-cellent holiday and we will see you back in the Summer!

Hiddleston

Julie Hiddleston and the school team





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Monday	Tuesday
<p>Sway Dance Club (£3) (all years) led by Ms Whitehead 3:15-4:15pm</p> <p>Ms Whitehead will collect your child from their class, there is no need to come to school until 4:15pm for collection.</p> <p>SIGN UP FOR SWAY DANCE</p>	<p>Stagecoach - £165 (per term) (Ages 4+) Led by Melissa Lewis (Stagecoach Principal) 4:00-5:30pm (optional 3:15-4:00pm crèche led by Stagecoach prior to the class starting - £3 per session)</p> <p>Please contact her directly to book - banbury@stagecoach.co.uk</p>
Thursday	Friday
<p>Kickboxing – Ages 3+ (£4) 3:15-4:15pm Led by Coach Cian, Temple Martial Arts</p> <p>A no-contact sport, which helps with coordination, confidence and discipline – as well as staying in tiptop shape! Join Coach Cian to learn all about it in a fun and safe environment.</p> <p>Currently full</p>	<p>RugbyTots – Ages 3.5+ - £4 3:15-4:15pm Led by Vince Reynolds</p> <p>RugbyTots is a specific play programme for young children. It uses the multiple skills of rugby to create a fun and enjoyable environment whilst developing basic core motor skills. Each session aims to develop hand-eye co-ordination, balance and agility as well as enhancing social and psychological attributes through a series of games and exercises.</p> <p>Currently full</p>

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