

8th June 2018



Badger Room: This week the children have been learning to story tell The Three Little Pigs using a combination of storytelling signs and Makaton to learn the key words and phrases. They have learnt how to 'step through' the different stages to embed the story structure and they will use this knowledge to alter elements of the tale next week to write their own versions. In maths, we have been exploring money and the children have been using their understanding of addition to

make different amounts to go shopping in our class toyshop! Thank you to all the children and parents for all the observations about your Random Acts of Wildness that have been uploaded to Tapestry - it's such a lovely way for the children to engage with the great outdoors and it's lovely that they are able to share them with the class in this way.

Hedgehog Room: Welcome back Hedgehogs! We started this term with an introduction to pirates, beginning to learn some pirate facts and phrases and to paint huge flags for our four pirate crews. We've enjoyed our 'Pirates in the Supermarket' book, a rhyming story about keeping our eyes peeled for pirates wherever we turn. Next week our focus will be on pirate treasure. We'll be making maps to locate buried treasure in our garden and also decorating our own mini treasure chests to take home. We are looking forward to Sports Morning on Wednesday and have been busy practising running, jumping, throwing and waiting for the 'Ready, Steady...Go' cues! This week we have also started our celebration of nature and the outdoors during the '30 Days Wild' challenge including some adventures on our big playing field finding beautiful wildflowers, playing listening games to practise sound discrimination and enjoying songs and rhymes while using our huge parachute. Thanks for all your '30 Days Wild' entries on Tapestry, please keep them coming.



30 Days Wild - The Wildlife Trusts Challenge: This week the Badgers have kicked off our 30 Days Wild challenge by setting up their own nature's treasures table and been on a treasure trek to collect interesting stones, feathers, leaves and grasses. The Badgers have also enjoyed visiting our 'forest of flowers' on the playing field, creating their own annotated sketches to take back to class and research all about the wild flowers they have discovered. Finally, the Badgers have been enjoying little bit of gardening - planting their own sunflower seeds for our class challenge - who can grow the tallest sunflower?!



Plea for parents: Please can parents collect and bring in 5 sticks from any nature walks over the weekend and week ahead, approximately finger-elbow in length and up to 2cm in thickness. Sounds like a strange request but all will become clear as we use the sticks for another Random Act of Wildness in school over the coming weeks.

School Dinners: We will **NOT** be having hot dinners next week on Wednesday. Instead, there will be the option for those in **Badgers only** to have a sandwich lunch provided. There will be a choice on the 'menu choices form' for which type of sandwich. **FOR THE RESET OF THE WEEK PLEASE LET US KNOW** if your child is having hot dinners – regardless of whether your child is getting the universal free school meal – we would be grateful if you could book them in advance. We need you to book through School Money (you will get a text notification when you can do this) even if you don't need to pay. Then we need you to complete the form for menu choices. The kitchen is working to what has been booked, so it is difficult to cater when we have children turning up expecting a hot dinner, but have not booked [CLICK HERE FOR NEXT WEEK'S MENU CHOICES – WEEK 2](#)

Sports Day: Wednesday 13th June from 10am – lunchtime: Please join us for Longford Park's first sports day! You will get to see the children take part as well as join us for a whole school picnic afterwards. As well as your own picnic food, please also bring your own picnic rug/blanket as we have been treating the grass on the field and it is not quite ready yet. There will be **no hot dinners that day**. If you want the school to provide a sandwich lunch, please indicate using the form (link above)

Key Dates for your Diary:

Wednesday 13th June – 10am: Sports Day and Family Picnic
 Wednesday 27th June – 3:15-4:30pm: Movie Night
 Friday 29th June: INSET day, no children in school
 Tuesday 10th July – ALL DAY: Move up day
 Friday 13th July – 5:30-8:30pm: FoLP Fest School Summer Festival
 Thursday 19th July – reports go out to parents
 Friday 20th July – 1:00pm: Family BBQ
 Tuesday 24th July – 1:30pm: End of academic year

Have a fantastic weekend!

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Julie Hiddleston and the school team





CLUBS

at Longford Park
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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>Currently full</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>Not running currently due to staffing issues</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>

Free Trial Piano Tuition – Badgers only

Studies show that time spent at the keyboard improves mental health: people who make music experience less anxiety, loneliness, and depression. Playing piano has also been shown to be a great source of stress relief, and provides ample opportunity to bolster self-esteem. It is also a widely used form of therapy for Attention Deficit Disorder.

Not sure if your child will take to it? **Why not try a month's tuition FREE of charge?** All tuition books and diaries are also supplied free of charge by the service. To obtain an application form, please email MJmusicservices@aol.com



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SUMMER TERM EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday 13th June – 10:00am – Sports Day followed by family picnic

Friday 29th June - INSET DAY - no children in school

Tuesday 10th July – Move up day

This is the day where your child will move up to their new class for part of the day. Parents will have an opportunity to have a cup of tea/coffee and meet next year's teachers in the hall 8:40am - 9:10am.

Friday 13th July – 17:30-20:30pm - Summer Fayre

Thursday 19th July - Reports go out to parents

Friday 20th July - 1:00pm – Longford Family BBQ

We are really looking forward to this one! The staff cook a barbeque and you and your family all eat together and play games on the field. This is also Ms Spilberg's last day of the year as she is jetting off to Zambia for one week to help support a school there.

Tuesday 24th July - School closes for the year @ 1:30pm

