

19<sup>th</sup> October 2018

**Froebel:** This week our traditional tale has been the Three Little Pigs! We had great fun building houses out of straw, sticks and bricks, and trying to blow them down. We are now familiar with the story and can retell it using puppets and story maps (although Mrs Brent cannot draw an accurate wolf, which is amusing us). Lots of our little ones have visited the Michaelmas fair this week so we've enjoyed decorating some bumper cars and candy floss, as well as hearing about which rides we went on and with whom. In Maths we've been looking at the number 4, our



'big bad square', using the square pattern of 4 on Duplo bricks to paint with, and playing giant snakes and ladders with a die.

Now that all parents have access to Tapestry please do use it to record observations of your child's interests and activities at home. We look at these on our big screen as a group at 'carpet times' and the children love to talk to each other about them. If you have any questions about using Tapestry please ask a member of the team.

### Nightingale:

We've been Super Storytellers in Nightingale class this week and have been using a range of storytelling actions and Makaton signs to tell the story of Jack



and the Beanstalk. The children have been drawing storymaps using these signs to help them remember the key events and characters in the tale. In maths, we have been thinking in great depth about the number 5. We heard the story of Fred Five's birthday party where he invited his number friends called One, Two, Three and Four. However they each had to find another friend to join them to make a total of 5 before they were let in. We were very excited to do our first proper PE lesson with Mrs Sharman-Moss. After getting changed into our PE kits, there was amazingly still some time to move into the hall for the lesson! The children learnt to use their bodies in new ways - stretching up Jack's beanstalk, exploring imaginary castle walls to find the hidden doorway, stomping like giants and miming chopping down the beanstalk with a heavy axe. Everyone had to stop and be totally silent when they heard the giant calling "Fee, Fi, Fo, Fum...!"

**Johnson:** This week in Johnson we have been exploring more 3D shapes, and even going on a shape hunt around the school! In English we have been looking at an assortment of traditional tales and looking at how we can retell them. We have mainly focused on little red riding hood this week. We have finished off our plants topic, looking at the different parts of a plant, and using different fruit and veg to print with and explore the various parts of the plant that we eat. We have continued to learn our dance and have finished our shelter! Thank you to all who donated plastic bottles to complete it. I hope everyone has a restful half term, and I look forward to seeing you all again next term!



**Forest School:** We have had to change the scheduled day for these activities unfortunately and they will now be on a Tuesday afternoon. We need some more volunteers, so if you can spare a few hours we would be delighted if you could join us. Please contact the school office.

**Breakfast Club:** A slight change to staff on a Wednesday and Friday. Miss Alvarez will be running the club with Mrs Mahmood on these days after half-term.

**Parents Evening:** You can book your slot using our form. [CLICK HERE](#) to book.

**Tapestry:** If you haven't managed to access this yet, please check your spam/junk folder. If you still can't find anything, let Mrs Williams know and we will reset it for you.

**Flu Vaccinations:** Please remember to return the consent forms for this ASAP. The nurses are booked to come in on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November to administer this.

**Baby congratulations:** We are delighted to announce that Miss Cumming has had a lovely baby boy! Our warmest congratulations to her family and a big welcome to the new addition!

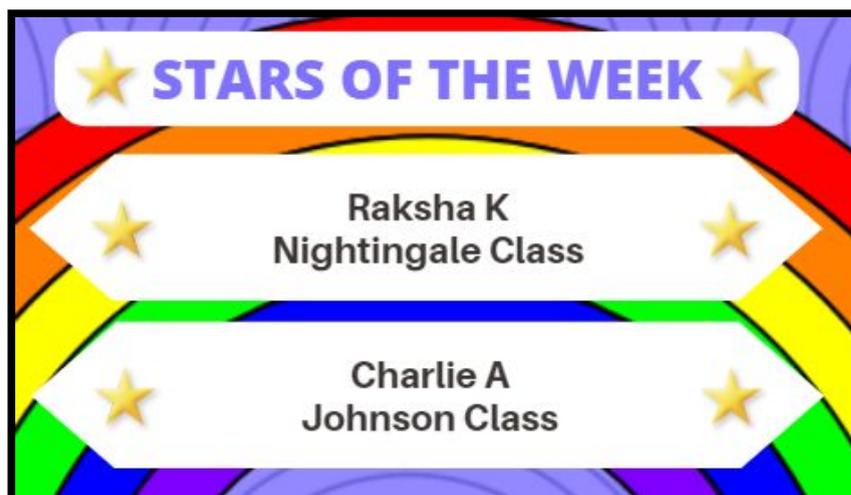
### Key Dates for your Diary:

- **INSET Day – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October**
- School Opens – Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October
- PTFA Halloween Party – 31<sup>st</sup> October from 3:15-5:00pm in the hall  
[BOOK HERE](#)
- Parents evenings: Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October (3:15-5:00pm) and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November (4:00-7:00pm)  
[BOOK HERE](#)
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November, Flu Vaccinations (Nightingale and Johnson only)
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day, bring in £1 in aid of Save the Children
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December – 3:15-5:30pm FoLP Festive Christmas Fayre. Get your jingle on and help raise much needed funds for our school.

Have a fantastic half-term!

*Hiddleston*

*Julie Hiddleston and the school team*



# **LONGFORD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL**

## **Christmas Term Events**

**Tuesday 11th December**

**EYFS Christmas production**

1:30pm and 6:00pm performance to parents/carers

**Wednesday 18th December**

12:00pm Christmas lunch with parents/carers

**Friday 21st December**

1:00pm School finishes



# CLUBS

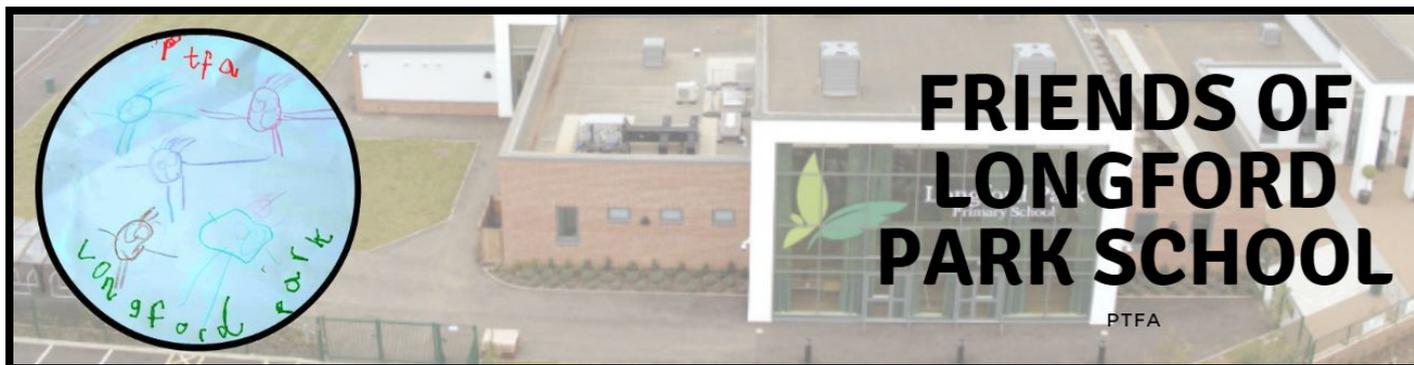
at Longford Park  
Primary School

Monday	Tuesday
<p><b>Sway Dance Club</b> (£3) (all years) led by Ms Whitehead 3:15-4:15pm Starts on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September</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><b>Session full</b></p>	<p><b>Stagecoach</b> - £165 (per term) (Ages 4+) Led by Melissa Lewis (Stagecoach Principal) 4:00-5:30pm Starts on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September</p> <p>Please contact her directly to book - <a href="mailto:banbury@stagecoach.co.uk">banbury@stagecoach.co.uk</a></p> <p><b>Kidslingo Spanish Classes - £5 per class</b> 3:15-4:00pm Starts on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October We are delighted to announce that Kidslingo is launching a Tuesday After-school Spanish club from 30<sup>th</sup> of October for ages 4-7.</p> <p>To enrol your child, please follow the link below. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. <a href="#">Click here to book</a></p>
Thursday	Friday
<p><b>Hand Gym – Ages 3+ (FREE)</b> 3:15-4:00pm Led by Miss Macdonald Starts on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September</p> <p>A really fun way to increase dexterity in the hands and help with fine motor skills!</p> <p><b>Session full</b></p>	<p><b>RugbyTots – Ages 3.5+ - £4</b> 3:15-4:15pm Led by Vince Reynolds Starts on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September</p>

## Free Trial Piano Tuition

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](mailto:MJmusicservices@aol.com)



Our lovely PTFA have already been busy this term, planning the first event this academic year:

### **Halloween Party which is Wednesday 31st October from 3.15-5.00 PM.**

The Halloween Party will be in the hall this year and will run alongside parents evening. There will be Music, Games, Food, Drink, Our Halloween Party Bags and hopefully a Spooky Cake Sale.

We are doing a competition for the best pumpkin carving again. We had some great entries last year so please do get involved.

Please bring fancy dress outfits to school in a bag for the children to get dressed into after the school day and if they have enough energy when the party is finished they are all ready and fed for some Trick or Treating fun!

[CLICK HERE](#) to book

Longford Park Estate had some great spirit last year, so even if you only knock on a couple of the doors on your way home to keep the spirit up and it will be lovely for the children to get involved.

**DON'T FORGET :- A PUMPKIN OUTSIDE  
MEANS SOMEONE WITH TREATS  
INSIDE. A DARK GLOOMY DOOR WANTS  
THE KNOCKING NO MORE.**

### **Events in the Pipeline**

- Movie Night - Incredibles 2 and a chance to win the DVD in the Raffle - TBC in Nov
- FoLP Festive - Friday 14th of December 3.15- 5.30PM. Our Christmas fair, hopefully bigger and better than FoLP Fest but we need some parent help so please let us know if you can assist in any way.

Please [email us](#) if you have any ideas, message us on the Facebook group or come along to our meeting (our email address is [jppsptfa@longfordparkschool.org](mailto:jppsptfa@longfordparkschool.org) )

**Next Meeting:** Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October 7:00-8:00pm at the plough with the parent social from 8pm onwards