

25th January 2019

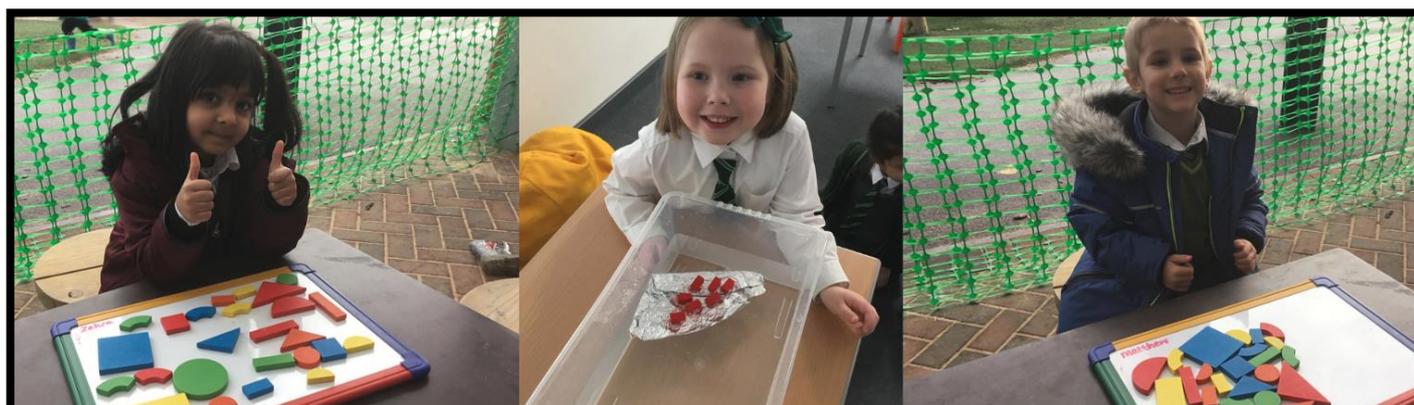
Froebel: This week our 'All About Me' focus has been on 'My Pets'. Children have been bringing in animal toys from home and we have thought about whether that animal would make a good pet or not! We finished with a 'pet picnic' on Friday when we ate a picnic snack with our 'pets' from home, feeding them salt dough foods we had created and painted earlier in the week. In Maths we've been introduced to 'Eric Eight', the Ten Town character for the number 8 who is a snowman (quite apt this week)! Sticking with the theme of '8' we've also been looking at Octopuses and creating our own out of junk modelling materials. In phonics we are really tuning in to the initial sounds in words. To support this there are lots of simple games you can play at home or on the way to school including 'I spy....'

Next week we will look at 'My Senses' which will feed into the Longford Park Science Fair at the end of this term. We'll be conducting lots of fun sensory experiments.



Next Wednesday 30 January we will be holding a coffee morning for nursery parents in the school hall, straight after school drop off until 10am. Please come along to get to know one another as we have lots of new families. Any donated sweet treats, shop bought or home-made, would be very gratefully received! We will have a charity collection box so bring along some change too. Thank you.

Nightingale: Following on from our 'Toys at the Museum' book, we have been talking about museums and what they might house. We have also been looking at and playing 'old fashioned' games like quoits and hopscotch. Lots of children enjoyed making and then playing with a cup and ball game. Some children did some great observational drawing of a teddy bear and some wooden toys. Our maths focus has been 2D shapes and we have been spotting the properties of the shapes. Great effort has been made by the children in forming their letters and writing words and sentences about what they like doing at school. Everyone in Nightingale class has been working hard in their new phonics groups.



Johnson: It has been another busy week in Johnson class as the children have been innovating their own version of the story Superkid. The children have been practising reading aloud their stories and then changes key parts to develop into their writing. In maths this week we have continued to use our bonds to help solve missing numbers. We have worked really hard as it has proved quite a challenge!



We finish the week dressed as superheroes, and we are all feeling very excited about this. We have talked about different kinds of superheroes and their good qualities during circle time.

‘Wild Tribe’ Tuesday – Week 3: This week, we were very excited to welcome our newest recruit to Wild Tribe, Mr Alvarez, another happy helper from our very lovely parents at Longford. We also enjoyed preparing for the Big Garden Bird Watch this weekend, for those of you who fancy a bit of bird spotting. We played a round of ‘Hungry Birds’ before moving on to using more tools and making our own bird feeders.

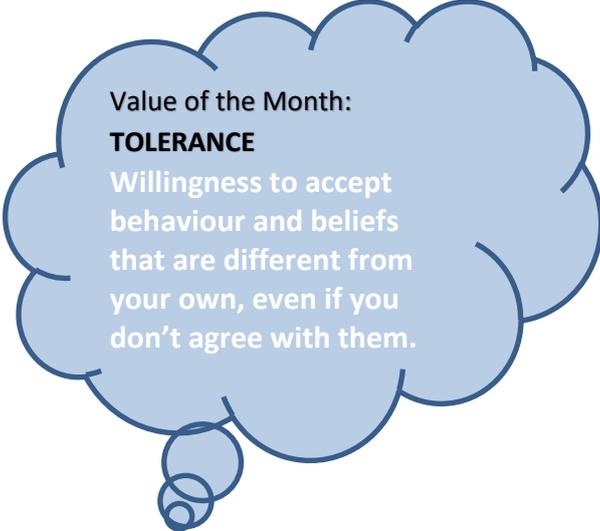


Please note: The weather is very changeable at the moment. Please provide your child with extra layers, including spare gloves and socks. These make all the difference especially during our Wintery showers.

Wellies: It is that time of year where we have a lot of wet weather which = a lot of mud! Our play equipment is amazing and the children love it, but in order to let them get to the play equipment in the damp weather they have to cross over some muddy grass. We ask that you please make sure that if you are in Johnson or Nightingale class, your children have their wellies here everyday so that they can go onto the field in all weathers during lunch times.

Key Dates for your Diary:

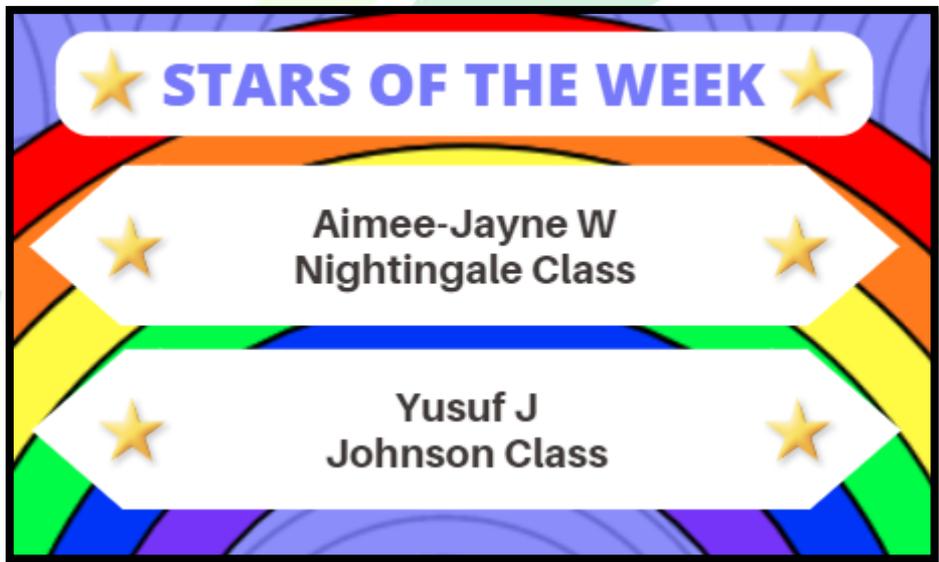
- Wednesday 30th January – 8:45-10am Froebel Parents Coffee Morning in the hall.
- Wednesday 13th February, 3:20pm – Y1 Phonics National Test Parent Meeting (Crèche provided)
- Friday 15th February, last day of Spring Term 1
- Monday 25th February, first day Spring Term 2



Have a lovely weekend!

Hiddleston

Julie Hiddleston and the school team





CLUBS

at Longford Park
Primary School

Monday	Tuesday
<p>Sway Dance Club (£3) (all years) led by Ms Whitehead 3:15-4:15pm Starts on Monday 10th 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>CLICK HERE TO BOOK</p>	<p>Stagecoach - £165 (per term) (Ages 4+) Led by Melissa Lewis (Stagecoach Principal) 4:00-5:30pm Starts on Tuesday 18th September</p> <p>Please contact her directly to book - banbury@stagecoach.co.uk</p> <p>Kidslingo Spanish Classes - £5 per class 3:15-4:00pm Starts on Tuesday 30th October We are delighted to announce that Kidslingo is launching a Tuesday After-school Spanish club from 30th 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. Click here to book</p>
Thursday	Friday
<p>Phil Lines Football – Ages 5-6 Price £3 per session Led by Phil Lines (Banbury United)</p> <p>We will be offering a free taster session soon, watch this space!</p>	<p>RugbyTots – Ages 3.5+ - £4 per session 3:15-4:15pm Led by Vince Reynolds</p> <p>CLICK HERE TO BOOK</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