

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another busy week with the children and staff making the most of being able to learn outdoors. We know that being outside and in nature is very important for our wellbeing so having the garden, Eco farm and forest school area is wonderful for the children, staff and the community. We have our **Community Farm Open Day** on **Sunday 9th October 11:30 – 1:30**. Please come along and bring your friends, family and neighbours. We would love to see you all.

As mentioned above, wellbeing is a very important part of the Longlands culture, and we are delighted that Mrs Mazan has completed the Mental Health First Aid training. The rise of mental ill health and mental health difficulties faced by children and young people today means that mental health first aid is important for school staff to be aware of and to have someone trained in. This will help to identify any issues, offer early intervention and help a young person to find strategies to manage how they are feeling.

As we move into autumn and the weather begins to change, we are likely to see an increase in coughs, colds and stomach bugs. In school, we will continue to keep up the hygiene measures that we have in place including **regular handwashing** and good respiratory and cough hygiene such as **don't touch your face, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth, don't cough or sneeze into your hands, cover your mouth and nose with your elbow or tissue when coughing or sneezing. dispose of used tissue immediately.**

We are all aware of the rise in the cost of living and energy prices. School will be working hard to reduce the cost of our energy bills and we will be talking to the children about all of the ways that we can all do our bit to reduce costs around school. Hopefully, they will be able to bring home the suggestions to help with reducing bills at home. If you are struggling with costs, please get in touch as we may be able to signpost you to support.

Lisa Millington
Headteacher



A new term at Longlands

Some of Oak class enjoying a wonderful sunset at Arthog



Fir class celebrated the life of Queen Elizabeth II, we used toilet rolls and a selection of fabrics to showcase how glamorous she was.

Maple enjoying the Forest School



Farm Club with Miss Wellings



More photos next week and don't forget to follow the school Facebook page where we share lots of the activities

FOCUS



On the first day of term, the children were introduced to the new school values. These have been created to match the Marches Academy Trust values of Excellence, Integrity, Empathy, Creativity and Equality. These are big words for our young people so have been simplified to the five values that you see below.

In assembly this week, we have talked about kindness and are going to try to create a Longlands ripple of kindness that will pass from one person to the next through each of their small acts of kindness. Please celebrate any acts of kindness that you see from the children, and we will keep the kindness spreading.



Congratulations to the Y4/5 boys' football team who played against Buntingsdale Primary yesterday and won 5 – 2!!

CELEBRATION



Happy Birthday to:

Hudson Nursery
Matilda Nursery
Sienna-Rose Y1
Amy Y6



AWARD WINNERS

Star of the Week

Saplings	Matilda
Saplings	Leo
Acorns	Jesse
Acorns	Mila
Fir	Kai
Willow	Rayah
Maple	Leo R
Rowan	Tegan
Elm	Alfie
Beech	Lily
Oak	Dean

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events. Events at a glance:



Monday 19th September – school closed
Tuesday 20th September – Y5 and 6 swimming
Wednesday 21st September – KS2 Rocktopus
Saturday 24th September – Choir singing at the Ginger and Spice Festival

[Click here](#) to view our term dates.



NEWS

[Click here](#) to view what our students have been up to recently.