

### Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very excited to share the exciting changes that we will be making over the next few months. We have plans to move our nursery classrooms into the main school building so that they feel a part of the wider school community. Nursery will be moving into the current Reception classroom, once the updates have been made, and we are drawing up the plans to allow this to happen. We are hoping that the new nursery classroom will be able to open for the start of the new term in September but will keep you updated with the details of this. As part of this work, we are also planning to renovate our Reception courtyard which will create more space for both Reception and Nursery classes to use.

These changes mean that Fir - (Reception), Willow – (Year 1) and Maple (Year 2) will all be moving classrooms to the next classroom. We have started the work to allow this to happen and are preparing our spare classroom so that Year 2 will be able to move in the next few weeks. This will not affect their learning as the classroom will be ready for the day that they move. This will then also allow us to move the other two classes. Class teachers will let you know when these changes will happen.

The Nursery building will then become a learning support space for any of our pupils who need additional support and interventions and will be a brilliant resource for the pupils of Longlands.

The final half-term is always very busy so please see the attached list of key dates for the rest of the term. The newsletter will also continue to have an overview of the next few weeks to help as a reminder.

It has been another glorious week of weather so now is a good time for a reminder for children to be prepared for the sunshine. Please ensure that the children have suncream applied before they come to school and, if they need to reapply the cream during the day, please send the bottle with their name on. The children will need to be able to apply this themselves as school staff are not able to do this. Please ensure that the children also have a sun hat and are wearing t/shirts that have sleeves (short). Children should not be wearing sleeveless t-shirts as their shoulders are at greater risk of sun-burn and/or sun-damage.

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## This week at Longlands



### Breaking the myth – Week 5



#### Breaking the myth... Celebrating Pride Month

Pride Month serves as a powerful and vibrant celebration of the LGBTQ+ community. Its purpose is to acknowledge the challenges that this community face and stand with them in the fight for equality, acceptance, and human rights

- Pride has its roots from the Stonewall uprising New York, June of 1969. As a direct protest from police harassment and discrimination.
- In the UK the first official Pride march was in 1972.
- Listen to... [Jacob Bayliss: Pride in practice | TED Talk](#)

#### Marches Academy Trust

##### Did you know?

- CYP who identify as LGBTQ+ are more likely to experience a mental health problem.
- This is not due to their sexuality, but stigma, discrimination, transphobia, biphobia, fears of coming out, exclusion and rejection.
- In the most recent 2021 census, 1.5% of respondents identified as gay or lesbian (around 748,000) while 1.3% (628,000) identified as bisexual.

Information at... [Gender Identity & Mental Health | Guide For Parents | YoungMinds](#)

[Schools - The Proud Trust](#)

## CELEBRATION



### Happy Birthday to:

Jared Oak DJ Beech  
Archie Willow Davis Maple

## UPCOMING EVENTS

June	
19 <sup>th</sup>	Silent Disco
19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Swimming
20 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Swimming
21 <sup>st</sup>	Year 4 Read the Game
21 <sup>st</sup>	Year 2 visit to library am
21 <sup>st</sup>	Whole school - John Bishop book illustrator talk
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Rounders competition – Market Drayton Juniors
26 <sup>th</sup>	Library toddler group visiting Longlands Farm
26 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Swimming
27 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Swimming
28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Read the Game
28 <sup>th</sup>	Weekly Stay and Play (baby and toddler group)
29 <sup>th</sup>	Y3/4 girls' football festival



## AWARD WINNERS



### Star of the Week

Acorns Eric  
Saplings Dexter  
Fir Thea  
Willow Kian  
Maple All of Y2  
Rowan Maddison  
Elm Oliver  
Beech Ethan  
Oak Adam

