

**Dear Families,**

Firstly, I would like to apologise for the lack of the Talking Heads newsletter for the last two weeks. It has been extraordinarily busy.

Last week, nursery took part in their sponsored toddle and were joined by the stay and play children and families. They had a great time and we thank you all for your support with this.

Last Friday, I was delighted to be able to take part in my first L Factor show and the only word I can use to describe this was Wow! The children showed so much talent and loved sharing this with all of those of you who were able to attend. This was followed by the Oscars Award Ceremony yesterday where the children enjoyed watching each other's performances and celebrated the achievements of each other.

As you will know, Longlands received a visit from Ofsted this week and two inspectors spent Tuesday and Wednesday in school after we received the phone call on Monday. We would like to thank all of the parents who took the time to speak to inspectors, complete the parent questionnaire and the pupil questionnaire with your children. We would also like to say that the children were absolutely amazing throughout the two days, as they always are, and we know that you will be very proud of them, as we are.

I am also tremendously thankful to the wonderful team of staff who work at Longlands. They are so dedicated to, and passionate about, the success of the children. They work incredibly hard and it was a pleasure to hear the comments that parents had made in recognition of this.

I am not yet able to share the outcomes of the inspection with our families as the report has to be written and quality assured before this can be shared. Due to being so close to the end of the summer term, it is likely that we will not receive the final report until after the summer holidays. This will be shared as soon as we receive it.

On Wednesday, lifeguards from Market Drayton swimming pool led a water-safety assembly for all our children. This is very important as we near the summer holidays especially with the canal running through town so please remind the children of how to be safe.

As you know, our clubs and extra activities are something that we are very proud of at Longlands. This year, 94 children have represented our school in 24 teams at over 40 events! This is down to the commitment of our PE team and their willingness to run these clubs and events. We are thrilled that we have been chosen to receive a free football kit for our girls' football team from the Premier League Primary Stars Kit Scheme and this will be used by our teams when we receive it.

Lastly, I would also like to thank you for your patience with the changes that we have had to make this week with regards to move up day, reports being given out and our parents' drop-in session because of the Ofsted inspection. These have all been rearranged and the next few weeks are very busy with these dates as well as our end of year events such as the Summer Fair and disco. Details of the new dates and other events are included below.

*Lisa Millington*  
**Headteacher**



### This week at Longlands



### CELEBRATION

**Happy Birthday to:**

- Isla
- Elm
- Jacob
- Maple
- Evie
- Elm
- Iannys
- Oak
- Jessica
- Maple
- Kian
- Willow
- Benjamin
- Acorns
- Vlad
- Beech
- Ruby-Jo
- Willow

### UPCOMING EVENTS



July	
17 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Taster Day at Grove
19 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day – KS1 9:30 – 11:30 parents welcome
19 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day – KS2 1:00 – 3:00 parents welcome
19 <sup>th</sup>	Weekly Stay and Play (baby and toddler group)
19 <sup>th</sup>	Disco – KS1 4:30 – 5:30
19 <sup>th</sup>	Disco – KS2 5:30 – 7:00
19 <sup>th</sup>	End of Year Reports – via Arbor
20 <sup>th</sup>	Year R to Year 6 move up morning
20 <sup>th</sup>	Drop-in to discuss reports with teachers, if required 3:15 – 5:00
20 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 - Arthog Parents' Meeting 3:30 – 4:00
21 <sup>st</sup>	Pupil of the Year assembly
24 <sup>th</sup>	Bring your bike to school day
24 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Fair – 3.30 onwards
26 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Picnic

