

Dear Families,

This week has seen our children and staff take part in a number of exciting activities which continue to represent our vision of Achievement Through Caring.

Firstly, huge congratulations go to our girls Under 10 and Under 11 teams who got through to the SSCFA Finals and represented Longlands at Shrewsbury Town FC on Saturday. This was a huge occasion and both teams played brilliantly. The U10s team may not have won but were fighters right the way throughout the match and truly displayed our school values of trying our best and respecting each other and we are all extremely proud of them. The U11s team played an outstanding match and came away as very worthy winners and I am sure that they will never forget this amazing experience. Huge thanks go to Miss Holding who has dedicated so much time to coaching these amazing young players and helped them to reach such an amazing standard of football!



On Friday, we were **delighted to welcome David Domoney** to tour our Eco-Allotment and wooded area with a group of our children who are keen gardeners. He was very impressed by the range of plants that we grow and how all of the children are able to take part in outdoor learning. He described Longlands as a 'hidden jewel' which was lovely to hear him say.



With the help of children from across the school, Mr Thomas has been putting in a great deal of work to our outdoor learning spaces and we would like to thank him for this. Thank you also to all of the families who have shared seeds and plants with us as it has helped to make these areas green and vibrant learning spaces.

We are also excited to have been granted **additional funding for our outdoor learning** that will help to keep our children active. You will know that, over the last 2 years, we have enhanced our outdoor learning and play equipment with had our new basketball hoops, outdoor gym and obstacle course, all of which keep our children active through fun activities. We will be adding to this with further equipment for the Early Years playground, allotment and wooded area and we look forward to seeing the children enjoying this equipment when it arrives.

Shropshire Council have signposted us to a course to **support SEND families** with transition from primary to secondary school. <https://inourplace.heiapply.com/online-learning/course/128>

Finally, I would like to wish all of our Year 6 children **Good Luck for their SAT tests next week. You've put the hard work in, now is your time to shine and show them what you're made of!**

Lisa Millington
Headteacher



This week at Longlands



Happy birthday to:

- Colby
Lola
- Fir
Elm
- Noah
Jake
- Saplings
Beech
- Teegan
Olivia
- Rowan
Rowan
- Sophia
Adriana-Maria
- Rowan
Beech

UPCOMING EVENTS

10 th	Year 5 Enginuity Visit
13 th to 16 th	Year 6 SATs week
14 th	Year 3 and 4 swimming
15 th	Chance to Shine Cricket – Y2 to 6
20 th	Bee day – wear black and yellow or dress as a bee
21 st	Year 2 Pond dipping visit
21 st	Year 3 and 4 swimming
21 st	Year 6 Enginuity Visit
22 nd	Chance to Shine Cricket – Y2 to 6
24 th	Wear Orange Day Fundraising – (More information to follow)
24 th	Break up for half term
w/b 27 th May	Summer half term holiday
June	
3 rd	Children return to school
4 th	Year 3 and 4 swimming
5 th	Year 4 Blists Hill visit
6 th	Athletics event (The team will receive a letter)
7 th	Year 6 pupils supporting The Zone community litter pick
7 th	Year 3 Exotic Zoo visit
7 th	Rounders competition (The team will receive a letter)
10 th	Year 6 Darwin Workshop – in school
11 th	Year 3 and 4 swimming

STAR OF THE WEEK

Acorns	Layton
Saplings	Stanley
Fir	Tamara
Willow	Boden
Maple	Taya
Rowan	Leo Y-C
Elm	Lylah
Beech	Maisie
Oak	Ollly

