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## Long Lawford News...

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One of the most important things a parent or carer can do for their child is to ensure they are in school on time every day. Having a good education is an important factor in opening up more opportunities in adult life. Did you know that:

- A child who is absent a day of school per week misses an equivalent of two years of their school life
- 90% of young people with absence rates below 85% fail to achieve five or more good grades at GCSE and around one third achieve no GCSEs at all
- Poor examination results can really limit young people's options and poor attendance suggests to colleges and employers that these students are unreliable
- At least 1 million children take at least one half day off a year without permission
- Around 7.5 million school days are missed each year through unauthorised absence.

GCSEs may seem a long way off for you and your child but all absence at any stage leads to gaps in your child's learning. This in turn can:

- Mean that they fall behind in work
- Affect their motivation
- Affect their enjoyment of learning
- Lead to poor behaviour
- Affect their desire to attend school regularly
- Affect their confidence in school
- Mean they miss out on the social life of school and extra curricular opportunities and experiences
- Affect their ability to have or keep friendships

### STARS OF THE WEEK

**Star Workers** - Oscar Corcoran, Ella-Rose Jaboro, Adam Borowiec, Jack Webb, Tyrese Gomes, Idan Dar, Bella New, Nina Sionkowska, Isla Drewery, Sophie Cook, Daria Barnat, Louisa Hozee, Chloe Clamp, Daniel Sergeant, Toby Burwell, Tomek Kudla.

**Star People** - Bertie Tapp, Charlie Fay, Georgia Goodwin, Jay Jay Capp, Cerys North, Elle Stafford, Jack Goodwin, Corey Sansam, Tobias Cornish, Roemi Greenhalgh, Nicole Rys, Sophia Wilk, Blessed Chikunya, Sophie Brackenridge, Ellie Boswell, Kacey Cable.

**WELL DONE TO THEM ALL**



**Jeans for Genes** - We have raised £358.64 for charity through our non-uniform day. That is a fantastic total so a big thank you to everyone who donated.

**School Car Park** - A reminder that the school car park is for the use of staff only. Please **do not** use the car park for dropping off/ collecting children. Thank you.

**Data Collection Sheets** - Please check, sign and return the data collection sheet for your child if you have not already done so. Even if all the details are correct please sign and return it. It is very important that we have up to date contact details for parents and carers in case of emergency. Thank you.

**Miss Mahoney** - Today is Miss Mahoney's last day before she starts her maternity leave. We will miss her, wish her lots of luck and all look forward to meeting the new arrival!

**Year 6 London trip** - A reminder that the deposit of £20 and the reply slip should be returned by Wednesday, 28th September if your child would like to go on this trip. Thank you.

**Asthma** - If your child suffers from asthma please make sure that you have completed an asthma card and returned it to the office. Your child should also have an inhaler in school with them at all times. Thank you.

**Inset Day** - We can now confirm that the school will be closed on Monday, 31st October for staff training.

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