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Long Lawford News...

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In my weekly newsletter a recurring theme is the importance we place on our relationships with parents and carers. As a school we recognise the key role that parents and carers play in the education of their child. Parents and carers have legitimate expectations of us to teach their children well and to a high standard, to keep them safe and secure; look after their welfare, and to keep them informed. We too, also quite rightly, have expectations of parents and carers. I would like to remind parents and carers that in sending your child to Long Lawford Primary School, you agree to support all our aims and policies. I would also stress that we all essentially want the same thing, that is the best for your child. It is only by working together in a positive, respectful manner that this can be achieved.

It's good to talk - I would encourage parents and carers to talk to us if they have a concern or query. Most things can be cleared up by talking to your child's class teacher at a mutually convenient time. However, if this is not possible deputy head teachers Mrs Hetherington (Infants) and Mrs Barton (Juniors) can be available to resolve a matter, again at a mutually convenient time.

INSET day - Our next teacher training or INSET day is on Monday, 31st October 2016. Schools are required to have 5 such days during the school year (not holidays) for teacher training. Quite rightly teachers are expected to keep up to date with effective practice in teaching, learning and assessment. Teacher training days play an important part in enabling this to happen.

Swimming - Unlike other schools we offer free weekly swimming lessons for children in our Reception, Year 1 and 2 classes. However, we rely on parents, carers and grandparents to assist us in escorting the children safely to and from the swimming baths. Volunteers are required for swimming on **Tuesday and Friday mornings**. If you can help on any of these days (even occasionally) please contact the school office. Thank you

Bags2school - FOLs are arranging a Bags2school collection on Friday, 21st October 2016. Please return your bags to school **on this day** (not before as we do not have space to store them). Thank you

Book Fair - A reminder that we have the book fair in school next week. This will be held in the school hall from 3pm Monday to Thursday. Thank you.

STARS OF THE WEEK

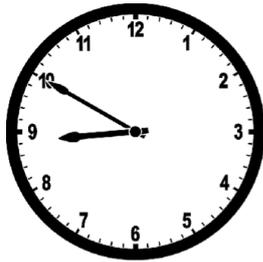
Star Workers: Riley Ballard, Azza Kiguru, Clara Fetherston, Rohin Patel, Bracken Stephenson, Oliver Cooper-Sanchez, Hussain Ikram, William Brackenridge, Barnaby Winton, Lauren Batten, David Mercore, Emma Greer, Ruben Linton, Aram McCormack, Lannie Smith, Jacob Croft.

Star People: Sofia Apetroaei, Layla Mason, Lucas Summerscales, Jack Rigden, Jack Hayden-Hart, Tilly Cash, Natalia Juchniewicz, Sarrinah Ahmed, Aidan Mayfield, Maya Duszynska, Jannah Noorullah, Kobby Enyimayew, Lucas Raizel, Maja Mizgalska, Libby Colledge, Theo Gladman.



WELL DONE to them all!

School starts at 8:50am



The importance of arriving at school on time

Every parent and carer wants their child to do well at school and being on time each day really matters:

- Arriving late at school may be embarrassing for your child.
- It disrupts the class if your child arrives late.
- Your child will miss something important such as instructions on how to start or complete a piece of work .
- If your child is to form friendship groups, social interaction with peers before school is important.
- Punctuality shows reliability and is a valuable attribute for future working life.
- Your child will get their registration mark.

Each teacher takes a register each morning, which is completed by 9am. The register is officially closed at 9:20am. If your child arrives after this time it is recorded as an unauthorised late arrival.

It is worth remembering that future schools, colleges, universities and employers look for reliability. A good record of attendance and punctuality is an indication of this.