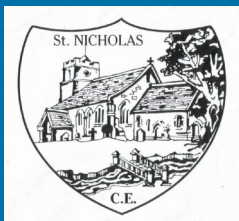


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# Longparish CE Primary School Newsletter

'To do all things through Christ who strengthens us' (Phil 4/13)

## Friday 23 February 2024

Attendance for the  
year to date: 96.6%

Attendance for the  
week: 97.2%



Dear Parents and Carers,

Over half term the Southern Water tankers disappeared from our turning circle! Giving us back our accessible parking bays and allowing vehicles to move correctly around when going to or coming from the church. Can we please remind parents that only those needing the accessible parking bays should be driving into the school at drop off and pick up time, when there are so many parents and pre-school children about. There have also been concerns about parents pulling up on the road

Can we also state that the kitchen need to know the lunch numbers from the office by 09:15am. Should you be late to school, you need to phone or email in a lunch order, if your child is wanting a school dinner that day.

Finally, well done to our Rugby team who came third in their rugby tournament in very wet conditions.

Have a lovely weekend  
Mr Ward and the team



[20 great activity books for children](#)

Click the link above if you would like to find activity books that can help you keep your child engaged; contains lots of practical ideas and projects to complete at home, in the garden, or out in the countryside.

## Excellence

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## Respect





Delilah set herself a challenge of swimming 25 lengths (500m) in under one hour! She completed it in 29 minutes and has managed to raise £90 from friends and family so far



Isla has chosen to become a millionaire ... reader. She needs to read a million words over a number of books.

Elina completed a sponsored marathon walk over half term - walking everyday to hit the 26.2 miles



## Ivy & Ottilie's 60-mile Longparish to London Cycle Challenge



Raising money for our school lookout

We're loving all the fundraising activities that children are doing. Please keep sending in photos to celebrate the amazing fundraising that is taking place.





Monty and Eliza got sponsored doing a cold water challenge in the sea this half term.



Nico is doing a litter picking fundraiser.



Claudia and Abi did a sponsored walk, and reached a combined total of 40 miles - the length of the River Test.

## Stuck for ideas?

### Got 5 minutes? How many of these can you do?

- How many times can you flip a pancake?
- How many goals can you score?
- How tall can you build a lego tower?
- How many times can you spin a hula hoop?
- How many keepie uppies can you do?
- How long can you make a string of loom bands?

### Got ten minutes a day?

- Do ten minutes of Joe Wicks workouts or Cosmic Kids yoga a day for a week/month.
- Read out loud every day for a week/month.
- How many jigsaws can you complete in one week?

### Got one day?

- How many play areas can you visit?
- How many geocaches can you find?
- How far can you scoot/cycle/walk?



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**St Nicholas' Church Longparish  
invites you to our**

# **FAMILY SERVICE**

**SUNDAY 25th FEBRUARY**

**10.30am**

**A short service suitable for all  
ages with a break for refreshments  
and CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES.**

***We'd love to see you there!***



Happy Spring 2!! Wow what a fantastic start back we have had this week. The children have settled straight back into our school routine and have made our new classmate feel very welcome. They have really enjoyed spending time together again after the half term break.

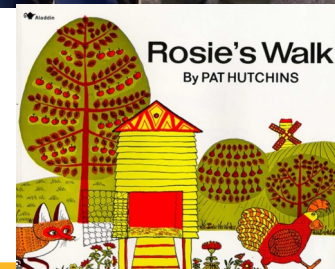
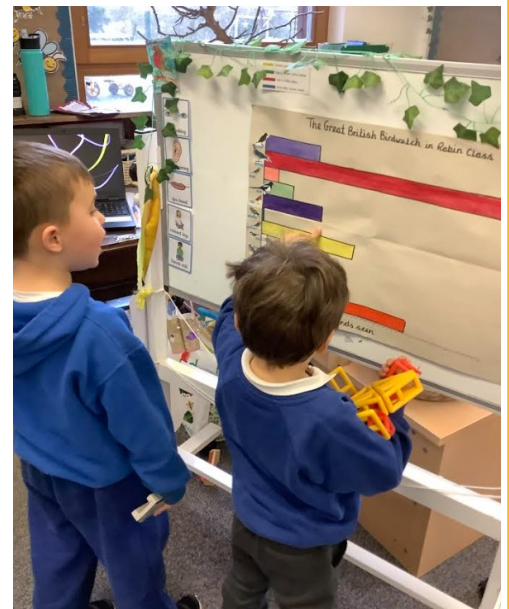
Thank you so much for the donation of frogspawn to the classroom yesterday - the children have loved it!! They have been watching the tank avidly and spotting when they hatch. We really enjoyed sharing a non-fiction book all about frogspawn and are learning so much already!!

Our investigation area is really growing, we had a delivery of potatoes for us to chit and then plant in our class garden this year. We cannot wait to enjoy eating these in the summer term.

The learning has really tied in with our new 'Growing and Planting' topic this half term. We shared the story of 'Rosie's Walk' and retold this in our outdoor area. What a fabulous start back - well done Robin Class!!



Class  
Learning  
this  
week  
Robin  
Class





**Class  
Learning  
this week  
Heron  
Class**

Hérons have had a fun first week back immersing ourselves in our new topic 'Into the woods'. We started our week with a story scavenger hunt around our own school woods and grounds, finding, sketching and spelling the key vocabulary for our new focus story 'Little Red Riding Hood'. Our learning walk outside also gave us opportunity to look at how our environment is starting to change as we come to the end of winter before shortly moving into spring. We noticed different trees, some with green leaves, many without any and thought about how the weather had changed. We have now started our longitudinal study of exploring how hours of daylight change over the course of the year, with our 'Charlie Squirrel's Bed time Diary'. Everyone will get the chance to have Charlie visit as we each record his bed time (which is when we notice it starting to get dark!) Herons have also enjoyed starting our new DT unit for this half term by designing and labelling their own idea for a wheeled vehicle, as we begin to investigate 'wheels and axels'. In our maths we have had lots of practical experience measuring length and height, both with non-standard units of measure (Year 1) and learning how to use a ruler to measure in centimetres. Our week finished with an engaging SCARF Health and Well-being workshop where Herons learned more about their bodies, talking about how to stay fit, well, happy and healthy.





**Class  
Learning  
this week  
Kingfisher  
Class**

This week the children read and began to analyse our new writing text 'Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx' by Joe Todd Stanton. We will be writing our own adventure narratives using this book as a stimulus.

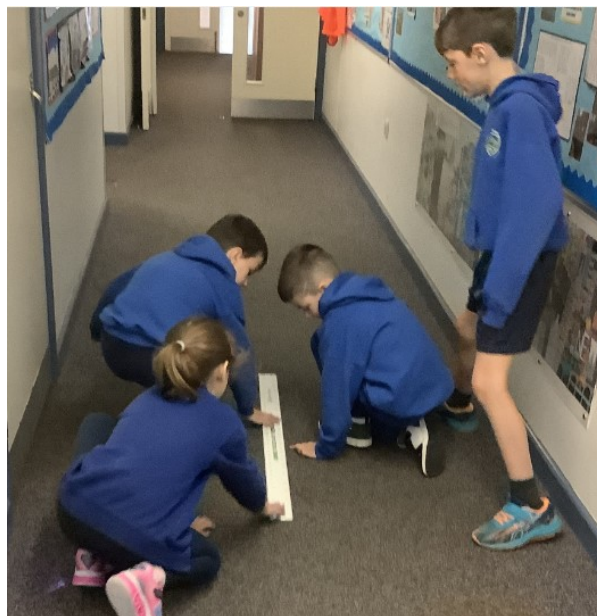


In Music the children have been working hard in their violin skills and have grown in confidence, they can't wait to show parents how much they've learnt in their March violin performance.

In Maths we have begun our topic on Length and Perimeter.

We had a special PSHE session this week with a visitor, Sarah, from SCARF. SCARF is the UK's leading charity provider of PSHE and wellbeing education in primary schools and the school buys into their PSHE and wellbeing curriculum.

Sarah spoke to our class about the brain and how messages are sent to our bodies. We learnt how working together often provides us knowledge of what our talents are. Children spoke about their talents. With Harold the giraffe we thought about how some things can be helpful and harmful to the body. We also helped our friends with their feelings.





## Class Learning this week Chaffinch-Class

This week, Chaffinch have been working extremely hard in their writing to produce a diary entry from a survivor, we have been impressed with children embedding the skills we have taught, such as semi-colons, modal verbs and technical vocabulary.

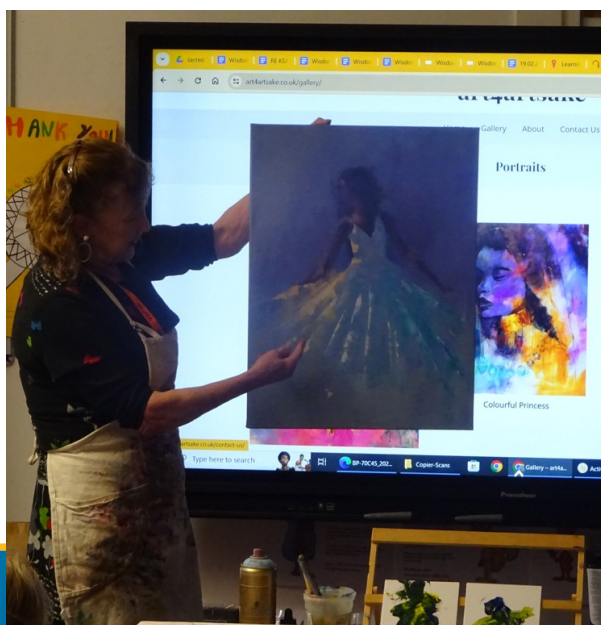
Children were interested to find out that there are benefits to volcanoes, finding that minerals from the ash clouds and lava will help bring nutrients to the soil along with volcanoes bringing tourism. Children are now confident in identifying the difference between lava and pyroclastic flows. We have been very impressed with the quality of home learning projects, ranging from lego models, actual volcano experiments using chemical and quick stop motion videos.

In RE, children have been comparing The Bible and The Qu'ran, thinking about what words of wisdom would be in there along how they are each respected.

Our big highlight of the week was the arrival of our local artist, Jill Smith. We were very excited to invite Jill in, as her artwork has many similarities with our key artist this term, Teresa Paden. Her amazing artwork uses a variety of mediums, but we concentrated on acrylic for the morning.

Please do explore her work using her website: [www.art4artsake.co.uk](http://www.art4artsake.co.uk)

Throughout the morning, Jill showed us a variety of techniques using acrylic before showing us the final method of using a credit card to swipe the acrylic across the paper. We were amazed at the effect we could make with just one swipe. This eventually resulted in a landscape of birch trees. We also added a background colour of water yellow acrylic to bring the trees to the foreground. We were incredibly grateful and in awe of Jill's work and are looking forward to inviting her back in to watch us create our final pieces using all of the skills and movements we have learnt.











Housepoint Winner of the Week	
Robins	
Heron Class	
Kingfisher Class	
Chaffinch Class	

### Times Tables Rockstars/

Hérons	Ziggy, Thomas, Piero, Barnaby
Kingfisher Class	Patrick, Antonia
Chaffinch Class	Elina

### Celebration Worship

### House Point Totals

House	Weekly points	Total points
St Andrew	215	1533
David	199	1470
St George	217	1415
St Patrick	187	1471



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Our House Point Certificate winners for the week.



Other successes.

Leo got a Skiing Badge this half term.



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## Celebration Worship

### Stars of the Week

Robins	Leo
Heron Class	Elizabeth
Kingfisher Class	Jake
Chaffinch Class	Elliot



### Squirrel Certificate:

Robins	Joseph
Heron Class	Violet, Cressida
Kingfisher Class	Amelie, Alva, Ivy O
Chaffinch Class	Ollie, David, Will



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## Diary Dates

Diary Dates	
4 March MONDAY	ROBINS cakes, tray bakes and biscuits SALE
6 March	Year 3/4 Football Festival @ John Hanson ***POSTPONED TILL 13 JUNE***
7 March	World Book Day—FOLs Second Hand book sale
7 March @ 2:30pm	Collective Worship in Church ALL WELCOME
11 March MONDAY	HERON cakes, tray bakes and biscuits SALE
12 March 2:15pm	Kingfisher Play
14 March 6pm	
18 March MONDAY	CHAFFINCH cakes, tray bakes and biscuits SALE
18th March Monday	Yr 3&4 Hockey Tournament Rookwood
20 March @2:30pm	Kingfisher Violin Listen 2 Me Concert
25 March MONDAY	KINGFISHER cakes, tray bakes and biscuits SALE
26 March 2-5pm	Years 5&6 Football Festival @ John Hanson
28th March	Easter Service in Church

Up coming FOLs events:  
 Sunday 19 May—Longparish Run  
 Saturday 8th June Summer Fayre 12—4pm

## Community and Parish

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