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Longparish CE Primary School Newsletter

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

Friday 22 March 2024



Attendance for the year to date: 96.6%

Attendance for the week: 97.8%

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to our Hockey players who came 2nd out of 9 schools in the Year 3/4 Indoor Hockey Festival, at Rookwood School.

We have had a number of visitors to the school this week. On Tuesday we had some children from Pilgrims Cross Church of



England Primary School. They met with Beth W, our school Bishop and our 3 newly appointed 'Collective Worship Crusaders', who showed our guests around the school; looking at the spiritual corners in our classrooms, sharing with them how our Christian values are embedded within our daily lives in school and finished with joining us for a collective worship. It was a great collaboration and we look forward to visiting them in their school next term.

On Monday we had Jenny Brain, our Test Valley Community Engagement Officer, Rachel Hoyes, from Test Valley Education & Engagement, as well as one of our Test Valley Councillors visit and look around our school. Pre-election purdah restricts somewhat what can be said but it was a pleasure to show them around and discuss the benefits that the Lookout Lodge will have on the education and well-being of our children.

Don't forget to join us if you can for our Easter Service in Church on Thursday morning at 09:15. You can drop children off and head to the Church where there will be tea and cakes provided.

Finally, St Andrews won the most house points this term, with St Patrick just 40 house points behind in 2nd place. If your child is in St Andrews then they can come to school in non-school uniform on Thursday.

Have a lovely weekend. Mr Ward



This Monday it is **Chaffinch Class** who will be hosting the cake sale.

Don't forget to bring your Tupperware to take home your delicious stock of biscuits, cakes etc.



Wednesday 27th March 3:15pm

FRIENDS OF LONGPARISH SCHOOL & MUDDY RUNNERS

PRESENT THE

LONGPARISH RUN

SUNDAY 19 MAY 2024

TICKETS: £5-£18

10KM, 5KM & 3KM ROUTES - ALL AGES

MORE INFO & REGISTRATION

WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/LONGPARISH



Solihull Approach

Welcome to Hampshire County Council's partnership with the Solihull Approach. These free online courses offer advice and practical tips to boost your confidence as a parent, help you navigate family life and strengthen your relationships. Whether you are a mum, dad, foster parent or grandparent, there is a course for you.

Developed by psychologists and professionals, they have been designed to help you understand your child's feelings, development and behaviour, as well as focus on your own feelings as you grow as a family.



It's almost time for the Easter break and we recognise this time off can be both cherished family time and a tricky balancing act for many. Don't forget there are a range of **practical resources focussed on emotional health** at www.inourplace.co.uk and your school is in a pre-paid area meaning they are all **completely free for you to access**!

Hampshire County Council has partnered with the Solihull Approach to provide **free**, **evidence-based online courses** with practical tips and advice to boost parent's and carer's confidence, help them navigate family life, and strengthen their relationships. Whether you are a mum, dad, foster parent or grandparent, there is a course for you. Once registered, families receive unlimited access to the courses and can go back to them as their children grow. The interactive courses cover topics like:

- Understanding pregnancy, labour, birth and your baby (Antenatal)
- Understanding your baby (Postnatal)
- Understanding your child with additional needs (0-19 years)
- Understanding your child's mental health and wellbeing
- Understanding the impact of the pandemic on your child/teenager
- Understanding your brain (for teenagers only)
- Understanding your feelings (for teenagers only)

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To register for parent courses, you will need to have a Hampshire postcode and complete the following steps:

- 1. Visit https://inourplace.co.uk/
- 2. Select 'Apply Access Code'
- 3. Enter the access code: FAMILY
- 4. Enter your information and select the relevant course

Further information can be found at: https://www.hants.gov.uk/solihullapproach

Class
Learning
this
week
Robin
Class

Welcome to the world Longparish chicks!

It has been a magical week of new life in Robin Class. The children have loved the incredible experience of the eggs arriving and being set up in the incubator and then seeing the chicks hatch! We have been recording what we see in our own chick diary.

We have learnt so many new facts about the life cycle of a chicken, how the chick gets out of the egg and what this looks like. We have shared lots of non-fiction texts to learn more about chickens and chicks. They are now experiencing first hand how to look after chicks, what they need after they are first born and how to hold a chick safely and carefully.

We've also enjoyed inviting in all the other classes to come and see our chicks. The whole school hace een caught up in our chick mania! A huge thank you to FOLS for their funding this experience for the children. It will definitely be something they will always remember.









Class
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Robin
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The children loved holding the chicks today (Friday). They were very gentle and careful to wash their hands thoroughly afterwards. Two chicks fell asleep they felt so safe and happy.

They were also busy exploring chick parts of a whole in maths; splitting 10 in different ways - discovering number bonds to 10. They have loved working next to the chicks these past few days.

We also named the chicks today, putting our name suggestions into a pot and picking out 10 - we loved seeing which names will be picked for our chicks. What a wonderful week in Robin Class.









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Heron
Class

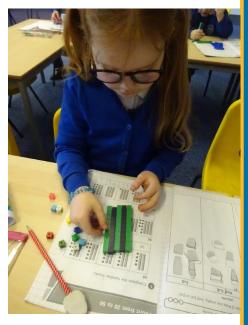
This week Herons have enjoyed their introduction to 'innovated' fairy tales, looking at stories similar to tales that they are already familiar with. The children enjoyed class discussions and activities about predicting what they thought might happen, expressing an opinion on the story through a book review and finally, creating a similarities and differences table. We will use what we have learned next week as the children get the opportunity to write their own innovated story. In maths, Year 2 continued to explore measure, as they looked more closely at volume using litres and millilitres, before starting to consider reading a temperature scale. Year 1 have begun a new unit on place value, this time extending to numbers up to 50. We have looked at 'tens' and 'ones' and all the children were able to use Base 10 as concrete resources to physically represent tens and ones for given numbers.

In R.E this week we have explored symbols of Easter. We had already created our own egg decorations from the salt dough made during our practical volume and capacity maths session at the end of last week, so the class had the opportunity to reflect on how we now see 'eggs' linked to Easter and how they represent new life as we painted colourful designs on our decorations. Our learning around the meaning of Easter for Christians, has very much focused on the feelings of 'sad' and 'happy' times of Easter, so this week, Herons also heard the story 'Waterbugs and Dragonflies' which addresses the experience of loss in an age appropriate way. Our class discussion introduced simply how beliefs about life after death vary, but that Christians believe there is another life after this one, in heaven, with God. The children used their own thoughts and ideas to create their own pictorial representation of what they thought heaven might be like.

In Phonics, Year 1 continue to make great progress and this week enjoyed wrapping up their review sessions with a spot of Bingo. In computing, the children added to their new e-book that they have started to create. We learned how to open an existing file, how to add sounds and even recorded our own voiceover to add as a sound effect into our class story. Herons also very much enjoyed being an audience to the Kingfishers Listen2Me concert and were excited to hear and see that the school chicks had finally all hatched!

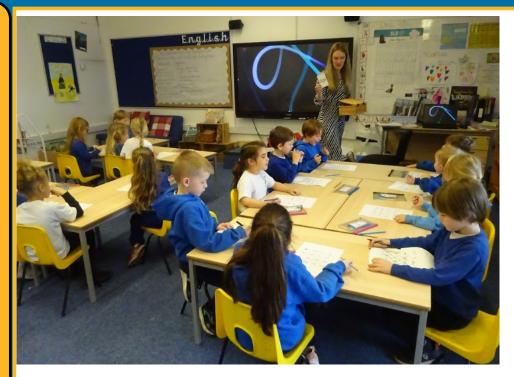








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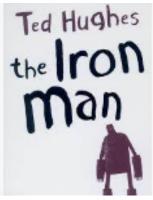


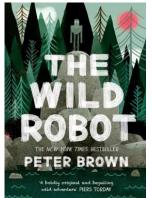
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Kingfisher
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This week our class began reading Iron Man by Ted Hughes. We will be writing a diary entry in the role of Hogarth a small boy that befriends the Iron Man. This week the class have been making predictions on what they think might happen in the story and how the characters may be feeling. Alongside this text the class have been listening to the story of the Wild Robot a novel by Peter Brown and now a popular film where a robot is washed up on an island and discovers that she can be more than she was programmed to be.

We will be finding similarities and differences between these texts.

In Music the class performed a wonderful orchestra of Violin pieces for parents. We have been thrilled with the amount Kingfisher have learnt over the past terms with Mrs McDonald and look forward to her teaching Kingfishers Brass instruments in the summer term.









Class
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Kingfisher
Class

In Well Being Kingfisher have been learning about the 7Rs when looking after our environment. Reuse, Reduce, Refuse, Recycle, Rot, Repair, Rethink. We have been creating posters to persuade others to follow these eco friendly strategies.





In Times Table Club we spend time on Times Table games and support each other learning the skills of calculating multiplication. The children love their biscuits at the Wednesday Maths drop in sessions!



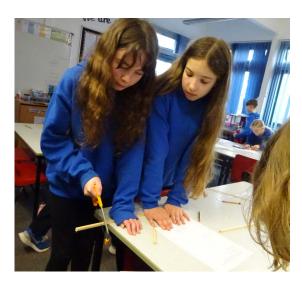
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Chaffinch
Class

Chaffinch have enjoyed learning about the ISS- The International Space Station- this week, identifying the different parts and their purpose. The children wrote brilliant setting descriptions in a different style, being able to write as a tour guide.

As Scientists, the children enjoyed researching planets to work out if life could exist according to the their temperature.

We loved being engineers this week! The children excelled themselves in creating their moon buggies, being able to use saws to create the chassis and cutting the dowel axis. The children loved seeing their designs come to life thinking about adapting their plan as they go if problems arised. We look forward to having a class race with them on Monday!











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Chaffinch
Class











House Point Totals			
House	Weekly points	Total Points	
St Andrew	239	2287	
St David	184	2188	
St George	229	2199	
St Patrick	263	2247	

Celebration Worship

Housepoint Winner of the		
Robins	Xander	
Heron Class	Emily	
Kingfisher Class	Alfie	
	Isla A	
Chaffinch Class	Zara	





Excellence

Friendship

Our House Point Certificate winners for the week.



Other successes.

Amelia and Amelie for Brownies and Patrick and Max for Martial Arts



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Celebration Worship

Stars of the Week		
Robins	Joseph	
Heron Class	Amelia	
Kingfisher Class	Alva	
Chaffinch Class	Isla	





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Diary Dates Spring Term 25 March MONDAY **CHAFFINCH** cakes, tray bakes and biscuits SALE 26 March 2-5pm Years 5&6 Football Festival @ John Hanson Easter Service in Church 28th March Last day of Term **Summer Term** 15 April First day of Summer Term Year 6 SATs tests 13, 14, 15.16 May Sunday 19th May Longparish Run—all ages welcome 25 May—2 June Half term Saturday 8th June 12-4 Summer Fayre Monday 17th June **INSET** day Thursday 20th June Yr 6 Leavers Service Winchester Cathedral 26th June Sports day 28th June Herons Country Dancing @ John Hanson 2 July Year 5 Taster Day Testbourne

Community and Parish

Diary Dates

Sunday 24 March

10:30 Holy Communion

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