



LONGSANDS LINK – 15th December 2023

Mrs McKeown's Message

Another busy week with carols and Hey Ewe performances adding to the mix this week. It has been lovely to see so many parents, grandparents and carers join us in sharing the festive celebrations this year. Next week Mrs Hussain who has been with us for 8 years will be leaving. She has worked as a 1:1 TA with us, plus welfare assistant and has been a valuable part of the Longsands family. Mrs Hussain will be missed by all of us and I am sure you will join me in wishing her lots of continued success in her next venture. Have a lovely weekend and keep in touch. Come rain or shine I'm still at the front of school in the morning and also in the afternoon. *Mrs McKeown*

YEAR 3 CHANGE

From January 2024, Mrs Calvert will be teaching on Thursdays and Fridays whilst Mrs Mettham moves to work in a different class in school. Mr Hudson will continue to be in Year 3 Monday to Thursday.

Pupils of the Week

RECEPTION: FREDDIE
YEAR 1: OSCAR & ALL OF YEAR 1
YEAR 2: ALL OF YEAR 2
YEAR 3: BEA
YEAR 4: ROCCO
YEAR 5: OLIVER
YEAR 6: MARTHA

Longsands Values

RECEPTION: FIRDIOUS
YEAR 1: JACK
YEAR 2: ADAM
YEAR 3: SADIE
YEAR 4: MOHAMMED
YEAR 5: ALICE
YEAR 6: CHLOE

Dinner Time Stars

RECEPTION: ALL OF RECEPTION
YEAR 1: ROMEEK
YEAR 2: SCARLETT
YEAR 3: IVY
YEAR 4: AVA
YEAR 5: EMMA
YEAR 6: JAMES

DON'T FORGET...

School finishes for the Christmas holidays at **2.00pm** on **Thursday 21st December.**

Please ensure that any parents, carers, grandparents, friends etc who collect on your behalf are aware of this early finish, then we do not have anyone left uncollected at the 2.00pm home time.

RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2

On **Thursday 21st December** it is party day for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. The children may come into school in their own party clothes.

YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2

On **Wednesday 20th December** it is Toy and DVD Day for Year 1 and Year 2.

YEAR 3 AND YEAR 4 DATES

Tuesday 19th: Toy Day – no electronic games, iPad's, phones etc.

Thursday 21st: DVD Morning, the film will be provided by school but children may bring in a snack and a drink but no items containing nuts or fizzy drinks please.

On this day, the children may also come to school in their own clothes for a £2 donation (please send in a clearly labelled and sealed envelope).

YEAR 5 AND YEAR 6 DATES

Monday 18th: Year 6 DVD morning, Year 5 DVD afternoon, the children may bring in a snack and a drink but no items containing nuts or fizzy drinks please.

Tuesday 19th: Y6 Toy Day – no electronic games, iPad's, phones etc.

Wednesday 20th: Y5 and Y6 Party afternoon, children may come to school in their own clothes.

Thursday 21st: Year 5 Toy Day.

On this day children may come into school in their own clothes for a £2 donation (please send this in a clearly marked and sealed envelope).

WELL DONE EVERYONE!

Well done to everyone who has taken part in both of our KS2 Carol Concerts and the Reception and KS1 Hey Ewe! Productions this week. You were all fabulous!

Monday 18th December

- Year 6 DVD Morning
- Year 5 DVD Afternoon

Tuesday 19th December

- Coach Gunn Club
- Year 3 & Year 4 Toy Day
- Year 6 Toy Day

Wednesday 20th December

- Year 1 & Year 2 Toy and DVD Day
- Year 5 & Year 6 Party
- Rocksteady
- PSHE Pupil Governor Meeting with Mrs Fenton

Thursday 21st December

- **School finishes at 2.00pm**
- Party Day for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
- Year 3 & Year 4 DVD Morning.
- Year 5 Toy Day
- KS2 Children may come to school in their own clothes - £2.00 donation.

Friday 22nd December

**SCHOOL CLOSED:
INSET DAY 2**

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

WC 18/12/23 – **WEEK 2**

ATTENDANCE

Our target attendance is **96%**.

RECEPTION: 95.49%

YEAR 1: 95.16%

YEAR 2: 96.0%

YEAR 3: 96.54%

YEAR 4: 94.99%

YEAR 5: 92.85%

YEAR 6: 93.79%

Current Overall = 94.83%

Happy Birthday

FREDDIE, REUBEN and
LOCHLAN

**Have a lovely
weekend!**



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Dear Parents / Carers

We are writing to you following our planned update to our PE Policy and would ask that you take time to read the following information regarding PE lessons. Our policy follows Lancashire County Council guidelines and is in place to keep your child safe. Please ensure that all of these points are being followed from January.

Ear-rings

- All ear-rings should be removed for PE lessons.
- If your child cannot remove their own ear-rings we suggest that ear-rings are best left at home on PE days.
- Staff / other children are not allowed to remove or help to remove your child's ear-rings.
- The only exception to this is for the first 6 weeks after piercing. During this time ear-rings may be taped using ear-ring cover up tape (not plasters) This should be applied before your child comes to school, otherwise we will ask you to come into school during the day to do this.
- After the 6 week healing time, it will be expected that the ear-rings will be removed for PE.

This is a link to tape recommended by the Lancashire PE advisor.

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/JFA-Supplies-Microporous-Earring-1->

PE kit

Children will continue to come to school in their PE kits on their PE days.

Exceptions to this will be in the Summer term for Reception and Year 6. You will be informed about this at the time.

Our PE kit comprises:

- Royal blue shorts / plain navy blue jogging pants
- Lemon Longsands polo shirt
- Plain navy blue zip through hoodie
- Trainers with light coloured soles (Velcro fasteners for Reception /KS1)

Hoodies and jogging pants should be the correct colour with no logo or decoration.

Footwear

For outdoor PE lessons children should wear trainers. For Gymnastics / Dance lessons children will be barefoot.

Long hair

Long hair should always be tied back to prevent entanglement with equipment and to not obscure vision.

Personal effects, including jewellery and cultural or religious adornments

- Personal effects, such as jewellery, religious artefacts, watches, hair slides, and sensory aids including glasses, should ideally always be removed to establish a safe working environment.
- Wristbands / watches monitoring physical activity may be worn in outdoor PE lessons if they are covered with a fabric sports wristband which should be provided by parents / carers.
- Wrist adornments worn for religious reasons may also be covered with a fabric sports wristband if they cannot be removed.

Nails

Nails should be kept suitably short to avoid injury to self and others.

We thank you for your support in keeping everyone at school safe during PE lessons.

**Mrs. A. Taylor & Mrs. J. Barton
Longsands P.E. Leads.**

TWILIGHT TASTERS



KIRKHAM
GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Tuesday 16 January 2024: 4.15 pm - 6.15 pm



We invite all Year 6 children to immerse themselves in the wonders of science, the creativity of design technology, the thrill of computer science, the richness of history, the enchantment of performing arts and the beauty of languages and classics.

Your child will participate in two exciting lessons, followed by a complimentary meal in our welcoming Dining Hall.



To ensure your child does not miss out on this experience, simply scan the QR code provided or visit the following link: <https://kirkhamgrammar.simplybook.it/v2/#book> to book. Places are limited so please book early.

Scan to
book



We look forward to welcoming your child to Kirkham Grammar School in January.