



LONGSANDS LINK – 12th January 2024

Mrs McKeown's Message

Happy New Year and welcome back to the Spring term 2024!!! I hope all the coughs and germs that seem to have been prevalent in most households over the break have now gone and we can start the new year fresh and ready. The children have been settled across school this week and it has been lovely to see them all back. This half term we will have parents evening so please keep a look out for the dates and times. If you have any trouble accessing Seesaw please contact your class teacher and they will sort it out for you. Have a lovely weekend and keep warm. If you have any questions, you know where we are.

Mrs McKeown

BACK TO SCHOOL ADVICE

Please click on the link below to read the recommended back to school advice for parents from the UK Health Security Agency.

[Click here to read](#)

KS2 DANCE BREAKFAST CLUB

Miss Whitaker is back! She will be starting her fantastic dance club on **Friday 19th January** which will run until half term. This club is always fun, energetic and a great way to start the day. Please see the attached letter for further details.

PRIMARY ADMISSIONS 2024

If you have a child who has their 4th birthday between 1st September 2023 and 31st August 2024, you must apply for their place in Primary School. You still need to make an application even if they have a sibling at your chosen school.

[CLICK HERE TO APPLY](#)

It is quick and easy to do, and you will receive an email confirmation of your application. The deadline for all September 2024 applications is **11.59pm on Monday 15th January.**

Dear Parents

Retirement of Mrs McKeown

Most of you will now be aware that after a long period of faithful service to Longsands Community Primary School of over 27 years, Mrs McKeown will be retiring from her post as Head teacher this coming Easter. We all wish her an equally long and happy retirement and I will have more to say on this nearer the time before she leaves.

Over the past few months, the governing body of the school have been undertaking various activities to secure and appoint the best possible replacement we can find to continue to take the school forward.

I would now like to take this opportunity to announce, formally, that following an intensive and detailed interview process, Mrs Caroline Lang has been appointed to take over the role of Head Teacher of Longsands Community Primary School this coming Easter time.

Mrs Lang comes to us with vast teaching experience, she has taught extensively in the Fylde area and joins us as a very successful Assistant Head Teacher.

As a governing body, we look forward to working with Mrs Lang, and feel that the school will continue to be well led in the coming years. We hope you will join with us in welcoming Mrs Lang and wish her every success in her new role as Head of Longsands.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Hall

**Chair of Governors
Longsands Community Primary School**

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

WC 15/01/24 – WEEK 3

Happy Birthday

CASPER, ARCHIE, BEA, ARIA
and SEBASTIAN.

Welcome Back

Monday 15th January

- Deadline for all 2024 Reception Applications.

Tuesday 16th January

- Coach Gunn's Breakfast Club 8.00am
- Kurling Competition (selected children).

Wednesday 17th January

- Rocksteady Lesson

Friday 19th January

- KS2 Dance Club 8.00am
- Rewards Assembly
- Year 3 Samba

PARENTS EVENING

Parents evenings will take place this half term on the following dates:

Wednesday 7th February
(3.45pm- 5.15pm)

Thursday 8th February
(5.00pm – 6.00pm).

More details about parents evening and booking a time slot will be made available closer to the time. Thank you



Every student. Every day.

ATTENDANCE

Our target attendance is **96%**.

RECEPTION: 95.19%

YEAR 1: 94.80%

YEAR 2: 95.69%

YEAR 3: 95.81%

YEAR 4: 94.82%

YEAR 5: 92.58%

YEAR 6: 93.48%

Current Overall = 94.62%



CHRIST CHURCH
FULWOOD, PRESTON



*Connecting people to **Jesus Christ** and each other.*



Church Club
at Longsands School
Fridays 3.30 - 4.15pm
12th & 26th January
9th & 23th February
8th and 22nd March

Songs—Craft—Activities

A simple worship service, suitable for families. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Christ Church on Victoria Road
Email: christchurchpreston@gmail.com

Phone: 01772 715202

Preston Football Development



At Preston College (Sports Hall)
St Vincent's Road, Fulwood, PR2 8RA
Starting on Saturday 3rd February 2024

In association with First Kick Football

School years - Reception	9:00am - 9:45am
School years - Year 1	9:45am - 10:30am
School years - Year 2 and Year 3	10:30am - 11:30am
School years - Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6	11:30am - 12:30pm

Dear Parents,

Places are now available to join a new **12-week football course every Saturday at Preston College, starting 3rd February**, which is open to both boys and girls.

Our courses teach children correct football techniques by FA qualified coaches who have full DBS (CRB) clearance to work with children. The structure for the course is 'FUN through Football,' building confidence for total beginners and moving onto more complex sessions for experienced players.

We provide a **ball per player** for the majority of our drills ensuring children get more touches of the ball and improve quicker than conventional coaching where children are waiting around to have a turn. The sessions are held in the fantastic sports hall so trainers should be worn. Players are also advised to bring a still drink for the session.

The club has links to local junior teams of which players will be able to play for at the weekend. Players who show advanced ability on the course will be recommended for trials at professional academies. Players who have previously attended courses are currently playing for Blackburn Rovers, Preston North End, Manchester United, Liverpool, Blackpool, Everton, Burnley, Bolton, Oldham, Rochdale and Wigan.

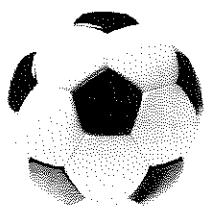
The cost of the course is just over £5 per week, which is payable in two instalments. The first payment of £30 is due when booking your child on and the second payment of £40 due at the first session. Parents are encouraged to watch the sessions but are welcome to leave children, as every session is fully supervised.

****NEW TOURNAMENT FORMAT****

Every four weeks we have a tournament in order for the children to put their new-found skills into practice with medals and trophies awarded at the end of the course for various categories.

ALL PLAYERS WILL RECEIVE A TROPHY & A MEDAL at the presentation, which is held on the final week of the course. Additional trophies will also be awarded in each group from categories including; Best Attitude, Star Player, Most Improved Player, Most Promising Player and Hardest Working Player.

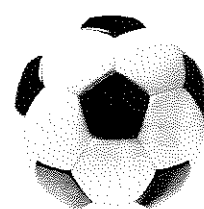
To book a place for your child please telephone the number below as soon as possible as a high response is expected.



Cory

TO BOOK PLEASE TELEPHONE

01772 428 086 or 07514 316 534



We cannot guarantee that the course will run in consecutive weeks.
Please note we have a strict no refund policy once the course has been booked.

FEBRUARY HOLIDAY CLUB



AT ST MARIA GORETTI PRIMARY, PR2 6SJ.

12th Feb
UNTIL
16th Feb

8:30am
UNTIL
4:00pm

AGES
4-11



£20 PER DAY • £80 PER WEEK

**Inflatables • Multi Sports • UV Dodgeball • Football • Laser Tag
Dodgeball • Archery • Tri-Golf • Dance • Ultimate Frisbee**



To book on, head to sportscool.schoolipal.co.uk or scan the QR code



1. Sign in or create a parent account.
2. Ensure your child is added to your account.
3. Go to Book a course and find Holiday Clubs.
4. Select the Holiday Club you would like.
5. Follow the boxes and make payment.

0845 094 2290

Longsands Community Primary School

Spring Term 1 & 2 2024 Tuesdays Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6

#FUNwithCoachGunn Before School Club

Organised and led by Coach Gunn providing **ACTIVE TRUSTED CHILDCARE**

Spring Term 1 & 2 2024 TUESDAYS 8am-8:50am #FUNwithCoachGunn Y3/4/5/6 Before School Club



Spring 1 = Tues 9th Jan to
Tues 6th Feb 2024

(5 weeks)

Spring 2 = Tues 20th Feb
to Tues 26th Mar 2024

(6 weeks)

£49.50 per Y3-Y6 child

Includes a **FREE** attendance
reward treat!!!

Please complete and return the below slip
directly to:

Coach Gunn at

coachmarkgunn@gmail.com

07912 178917



Multi Sports
Tag Games
Detective Games
Floor Surfing
Archery
Creative Play
FUN Activities

Come and JOIN IN the #FUNwithCoachGunn Tuesdays 8am-8:50am

The club will be led by Coach Gunn using the school hall as a base but with use of the Junior Playground and Field in good weather featuring various activities over the weeks the attending children will get to choose from encouraging ALL the children to have lots of #FUNwithFriends!!! Following the club each week Coach Gunn will ensure all the attending children go to their classes to start the school day.

Name of Child..... Longsands Y3 / Y4 / Y5 / Y6

Parental Name..... Mobile.....

Parental Email.....

Medical Information, please give details of any important medical information that we should be aware of:

I would like my child to attend **Longsands CP School Spring Term 1 & 2 2024 Tuesdays**

#FUNwithCoachGunn Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 Before School Club and will make payment of £49.50 in advance per child via...

Payment Method = Direct Transfer to Coach Gunn Limited (Santander) 09-01-29 67809950

PayPal (via friends & family to avoid fees) to coachmarkgunn@gmail.com

Cheque (Coach Gunn Limited) or Cash in person to Coach Gunn at the club

I agree / don't agree to the publication of images of my son/daughter in the media.

Signed

Date

6th January 2024

Dear Parents

There will be a Dance Club starting every Friday morning from 8.00am to 8.45am for KS2 children. The club will run for 4 weeks (19/01/24 – 09/02/24), this will be a great chance for your child to build confidence, have fun and learn a new skill.

The cost is £20.00 for the 4 weeks dance course. If your child wishes to attend this club please complete the form below, and bring together with your payment on the first day of the club.

You can also register your child in advance at **office@longsands.lancsngfl.ac.uk** but no payments should be sent in advance to the school office.

Yours sincerely

Sally Whitaker

Dance Teacher

KS2 DANCE CLUB

(Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6)

Childs Name: _____

Year Group: _____

Parent/Guardian Name & Contact Number: _____

Medical Conditions: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____