

# Longfields Latest News



## 21st March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We want to extend our thanks for your support during this year's Red Nose Day at Longfields. Your generosity and enthusiasm will make a significant difference, helping us raise funds for a fantastic cause. The children had a wonderful time participating in the activities, and it's all thanks to your contributions and encouragement. Together, we've shown the power of community spirit, and we couldn't have done it without you! Thank you once again for making this event a success for our school and the wider community.

Almost every year, a new toy craze will sweep the nation's children. You may remember Tamagotchis (the virtual pets), football stickers, Pokémon Cards, Fingerboards (miniature skateboards) to name just a few, and not long after, some primary schools will inevitably ban them from the classroom and playground alike. This can be for all sorts of reasons, from causing injuries, to starting fights, to supposedly encouraging violence, gambling, or other potentially harmful behaviours.

Even the most innocent-seeming playthings will sometimes face bans. Maybe they caused arguments, or distracted children during class. Others have been deemed choking hazards, or simply annoying to teachers!

We have noticed, as I am sure you are aware, that children have been enthusiastically trading tiny ducks and other resin animal figures during lunch and break times. While we love to see their creativity and social skills in action, we want to ensure that this remains a positive and inclusive activity for all children. We kindly ask for you to support our approach in school by discussing with your children the importance of fair trading and respectful play. Encouraging them to think about kindness, sharing, and understanding will help us maintain a harmonious environment where everyone can enjoy this activity. Together, we can guide our children to engage in fun and constructive play.

We have had some lovely weather recently, but as we all know things change so much even within a day so, please send your children in with a coat.

Have a lovely weekend  
Ms Abbott



# ★ Stars of the week! ★



## Dates for your diary:

- 03.04.2025—Year 2 to Hatton Country World
- 04.04.2025—Last day of school before Easter holidays
- 21.04.2025—Easter Monday (Bank Holiday)
- 22.04.2025—First day back at school after Easter Holidays
- 28.04.2025—Year 4 Trip to Hill End
- 05.05.2025—Early May Bank Holiday (no school)
- 12.05.2025—SATS week for Year 6
- 12.05.2025—Year 4 to Everdon
- 23.05.2025—Last day of school before half term

**Please see School Life Calendar/school website for full dates**



# RED NOSE DAY!



The children from foundation stage have been following Jamie Lang's ultra marathon challenge, running 150 miles in one week! Mrs Foster challenged them to run one mile throughout the course of the day (four laps of the school field) with the help of some children from Year 6. The children were really proud of themselves and did so well. They refueled with their hand made Red Nose Day biscuits!

