



# Longfields' Latest 10<sup>th</sup> May 2018

*Let us do the worrying!*

Dear All,

*Thank you once again for a good return to school and it's fantastic to see some nice weather particularly over the Bank Holiday. This term includes our national assessments for Yr2 and Yr6. We have had excellent results over the last 5 years and hope that these continue. Our approach continues to stick to the mantra that we should do the worrying. We work hard to instil in our children that as long as they can hold their heads up and say that they have put in 100% then we can ask no more. Please ensure that your children get some early nights over the next few days and are ready for the week ahead. As always, thank you for your continued support.*

## Thanks 'Oxford Vitality'!



A huge thanks to the team from Oxford Vitality for their hard work last Friday. It's not very often you have a local company approach you and say that they want to volunteer their staff, as part of a corporate responsibility day, to work doing whatever we want. So we duly accepted and the 9 members of their team worked their socks off all day. The flower beds at the main entrance and the courtyard raised beds have been transformed. Our new raised beds for the reinstatement of our school garden have now been constructed and the side fencing has been stripped of ivy and brambles and wicker screening been put up. A huge thank you from us all for your generosity and even more surprising is that they are willing to help again. What a fantastic example to the local business community.

## Walk to School Week

This year 'Walk to School Week' is the last week of this term, Monday **21<sup>st</sup> to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May**. As with last year there will be challenges set for each class with rewards and other incentives available. It would be great to get as many of our parent body involved as possible. I know many of you walk on a daily basis from the other side of Bicester and you set a fine example for us all. Please see if you can ditch the car keys and the scooters for a week and join us in our five day walking challenge. Thank you in anticipation of a great take up in this challenge.

## Keep this date Free!

### Summer Fete – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June

The last couple of years have seen our summer fete grow from strength to strength. This year's event is planned to be bigger and better than ever, with a huge variety of stalls, displays and demonstrations, and refreshments both liquid and BBQ style.

Please make sure you put this date in your diary and attend on the day. As usual the FOLS (our PTA) are working hard to ensure another fantastic event. Please also note that Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June will be a non-school uniform day in aid of the Tombola; please wait for the tombola letters highlighting the specifics of donations. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

## General School Reminders

Please can I remind everyone that the play equipment is out of bounds, both before and after school. Please take note of this as we do not want to have any accidents whilst children are not supervised by a member of staff. Can I please urge you all to continue to park responsibly around our school – THANK YOU

## Football Arrangements

Please note that we have changed some of the arrangements regarding the playing of football during school time. We now have two days a week that are football free days! Monday and Friday. In addition, we have asked children to no longer bring their own footballs into school – these will now be provided by the school. This leads to much less worry about footballs being lost or stuck on the school roof etc. We have recently invested in further break-time games equipment so there is still plenty to do.

## Dates for the Diary

14 May - Y6 SATs this week
18 May - Chesterton Cricket Festival
25 May - Last day before Half Term
5 Jun - <b>TUE First day back (Mon 4<sup>th</sup> INSET)</b>
12 Jun - Woodlands Meeting – all year 5 parents
16 Jun - Summer Fete
19 Jun - F/Stage trip
3 Jul - F/Stage Sports - Start after a.m. registration
10 Jul - Move up Day
11 Jul – KS1 Sports - Start after a.m. registration
12 Jul - KS2 Sports - Start after a.m. registration
24 Jul - Last day before Summer Holiday
6 Sept - First day back after Summer holidays