

NEWSLETTER



3rd October 2025

Message from Mrs Goodes

Dear Parents and Carers,

As another wonderful week at school draws to a close, I wanted to thank you all again for the support and kindness that you are showing me and the staff at Longfields.

We completed a very successful announced lockdown drill and the children amazed us with their calm, sensible approach. Moving forward both fire and lockdown drills will be regularly carried out to ensure that everyone is prepared and ready should something happen.

We are pleased that some after school clubs will be starting up soon and hope that they will prove popular. Thanks to all of the staff who volunteer to run clubs.

Class assemblies will be starting soon, please put the dates in your diary as you are welcome to attend your own child's assembly to see their wonderful learning.

Have a great weekend!

Emma Goodes
Headteacher

Appointment of Parent Governors

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am very pleased to announce that Helen Vincent and Naomi Willis have been appointed as Parent Governors. As the number of nominations did not exceed the number of vacancies, an election was not required.

Helen and Naomi will bring valuable skills and experience to the Governing Board. We are very grateful to them for volunteering their time and energy, recognising the commitment this represents alongside work and family life.

We warmly welcome them to the Governing Board and look forward to working together to support the continued success of our school.

Yours sincerely,
Robert Envine
Vice Chair of Governors

Road and bike safety

We have had reports of near misses with children crossing the road in front of the school. Please be mindful of the weight of traffic at peak times around the school.

Also, please can children and adults kindly dismount from bikes and scooters when entering the school site and on the busy lane next to the school.

Let's work together to keep everyone safe.

Thanks
Longfields Staff



October—Black History Month

08.10.2025—EYFS open morning for new parents 09:30—11

13.10.2025—Year 6 Kestrels Class Assembly—parents are invited to attend (09:00—09:30)

20.10.2025—Year 6 Red Kites Class Assembly—parents are invited to attend (09:00—09:30)

22.10.2025—Flu Immunisations

24.10.2025—Last day of school before half term

03.11.2025—First day back to school after half term

10.11.2025—Individual school photos

10.11.2025—14.11.2025—Anti Bullying & Friendship Week

11.11.2025—Year 5 Kingfishers Class Assembly—parents are invited to attend (09:00—09:30)

12.11.2025—Parent/Carer Evening

17.11.2025—Year 5 Woodpeckers Class Assembly—parents are invited to attend (09:00—09:30)

19.11.2025—Parent/Carer Evening

24.11.2025—Year 4 Badgers Class Assembly—parents are invited to attend (09:00—09:30)

01.12.2025—Year 4 Foxes Class Assembly—parents are invited to attend (09:00—09:30)

08.12.2025—Year 3 Otters Class Assembly—parents are invited to attend (09:00—09:30)

10.12.2025—Longfields Winter Fete (after school—more details to follow)

11.12.2025—Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

11.12.2025—Nursery & Reception Winter Play at 09:30

15.12.2025—Year 3 Hares Class Assembly—parents are invited to attend (09:00—09:30)

17.12.2025, 18.12.2025 & 19.12.2025—children can wear festive jumpers to school

17.12.2025—Christmas songs on the playground for Years 1, 2 & 3 at 14:30

18.12.2025—School Christmas Lunch

18.12.2025—Christmas songs on the playground for Years 4, 5 & 6 at 14:30

19.12.2025—Last day of school before Christmas Holidays

05.01.2026—Inset Day

06.01.2026—First day back at school after Christmas Holidays

Please note that 3rd November is not an inset day, this was provisionally put in and changed to 19th June 2026. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. Full term dates can be found here:

[Longfields School Term Dates 2025 2026.pdf](#)



STARS OF THE WEEK



26th September 2025



3rd October 2025



We would be grateful if you could please share the details of our open morning with friends or family members that may wish to join us. Thank you!

Longfields Primary School & Nursery Open Morning

Wednesday 8th October 2025

9:30 until 11:00

Are you looking for a Reception or Nursery place for September 2026?

Come and discover what makes Longfields Primary and Nursery a fantastic place to learn and grow!

- * Meet our passionate teachers
- * Explore our classrooms and facilities
- * See our children in action
- * Meet the Head Teacher, Mrs Goodes



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Notice Board

Beezee FAMILIES

Ready to make new habits as a family?

Our free 10-week Beezee Families programme starts soon!

- Get healthy eating tips and free recipes
- Unlock the power of small changes
- Start moving more as a family

Where:

Thursday 25th September, 4.00–6.00pm at The Hill Community Centre, Banbury
or Tuesday 14th October, 4.30–6.00pm at Madley Park Hall, Witney
or weekly online sessions.

Secure your FREE place today!

@ HelloOxfordshire@maximusuk.co.uk

03332 208952

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Our programmes are for children above their ideal weight. See our website for more information.

Looking for fun, FREE, family-focused support? Beezee Families is a free, award-winning healthy lifestyle programme for families with children aged 4 to 12 years. Build lifelong healthy habits together! Sign up today at: <https://oxf.maximusuk.co.uk/beezeefamilies/>

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Oxfordshire Schools

FREE FAMILY TICKETS

AT OXFORD CITY FOOTBALL CLUB

CURZON ASHTON
SATURDAY 4 OCTOBER 3PM

SOUTHPORT
SATURDAY 18 OCTOBER 3PM

LEAMINGTON
SATURDAY 25 OCTOBER 3PM

USE CODE: **OCTOBER**

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Find each of Santa's lost reindeer, culminating in a visit to Santa's workshop to meet Santa.

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Apple Day

Sunday 5th October

2 - 4 pm

Langford Community Orchard, Bicester OX26 6WQ

Free entry - come and explore the orchard

See apple pressing in action and try a free cup of freshly pressed juice (We welcome your excess apples)

Cakes, plants & bric-a-brac stalls, games, bird & bug hunts

Local community groups

Please note: - Purchases / donations are cash only
- Walk or cycle as parking is limited

Email: langfordcommunityorchard@gmail.com
Facebook: Langford Community Orchard Group

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