



Longfields' Latest ^{8th} September 2021

Welcome Back

Dear All,

Welcome back to a new term and you can tell it's time to come back to school because the sun has decided to make an appearance!!

It's been great to see you all again at drop off and pick up time and I hope that you all had a good break over the summer.

We are looking forward to a new year, hopefully with less restrictions, and a return to a more normal school routine, although talking to many of you, it is hard to remember what 'normal' was like it has been so long.

Thank you again for your positive comments and messages of support. Please remember to pass on those positive comments to Ofsted, when they come to visit at some point. Please do also catch a member of staff or myself if you have any worries etc.

Thank you for your continued support.

Family Fun Day

We hope to see you all on Saturday at our Family Fun Day. This is the first face-to-face event we have had for what seems an absolute age so please do join us to raise some money for the school. I think that the weather is supposed to hold out for the weekend too!

Saturday 11th September
11a.m. – 3p.m.

School Lunches

If your child has school dinners then please remember to book them as usual. It is also really important to ensure that Fresh Start are aware of any allergies and that the school is also informed.

After School Clubs

Please look out for notifications regarding our after school activity clubs. We have decided to run these in the first term this year as we haven't been able to have these activities taking place for such a long time.

Clubs will be starting from week beginning 20th September. Look out for more information coming soon.

COVID UPDATES

Please note that although we have been able to relax almost all restrictions around school, there is still a high level of infection in Bicester.

Please think carefully about the amount of adults on site in the morning and after school. You can of course continue to wear a face mask should you wish to do so.

Thank you for your continued co-operation and understanding.

HIGH TEMPERATURES

As a school, one of the only guards we have against the spread of COVID is testing temperatures. If a child is feeling unwell at school then this is something we do as routine. The result of our temperature test, regardless of any test done at home, has consequences, in that we will ask for the child to have a PCR test (a LFT is not sufficient). In addition to this, the latest guidance asks that even if the PCR test comes back as negative, if the child retains the high temperature then they should be kept off school until 24 hours after their temperature has returned to normal.

School Trips

We are looking forward to going out on a few school trips again this year. This is a great part of our children's learning and we look forward to visiting a variety of places throughout the year – including our Year 6 residential to Woodlands.

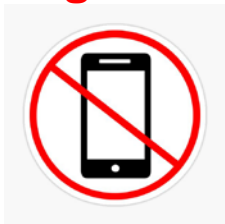
School Life App

Some parents are not receiving updates from school via the School Life App because they are only seeing the public site. For safety, school messages are only available to those who have logged in. Parents should log into the app :- just open the app, click the two houses at the top, select log in and enter your user name and password. If you don't have your username or password, just email- office@longfields-primary.org

We can re-set this for you.

Thank you

Safeguarding



Please can I remind all adults that the use of mobile phones on site is prohibited. This is standard school safeguarding protocol. Please keep your phones in your pockets until leaving the school premises.
Thank you

CAR PARK

A reminder that the school car park is for staff only. Please do not use it to drop children off or wait for them at the end of the day. If you are spotted using the car park without permission please do not be offended when you are asked to leave. This is for the safety of staff and children attending school. Thank you

Dates for your diary:

Please see School Life calendar for full dates

6 Oct School Photographs
21 Oct - Last day before Half Term (Thursday)
1 Nov - First Day back after Half Term
17 Dec - Last day before Christmas Break
5 Jan - First day back at school (Wednesday)



Interested in helping children develop a love of reading? Want to work part-time, term-time only? ARCh is an award winning charity which recruits, trains and supports volunteer reading.

Bicester Field Worker

We are looking for someone with good organisational and communication skills to join our team to support our volunteers. A position has become available in Bicester, 7 hours per week (term time only). The role is home based but involves visiting volunteers in local schools. Salary £8.91 - £9.52 per hour (own car essential - travel expenses paid & home computer required)

Closing date 17/09/2021

Administration Assistant

We are looking for someone to help us with office administration tasks to include some accounts work. Knowledge of Xero desirable but not essential. Must be computer literate and willing to work as part of a happy team. 15 hrs per week (term time only). Salary £8.91 - £9.52 per hour

The role is based in our Bicester office.

Closing date 17/09/2021

For further information and an application form, please contact info@archoxfordshire.org.uk