



MONDAY NOTE

LONG TOWER PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL CLOSURES

We also have a change to our holiday dates for March and May 2019.

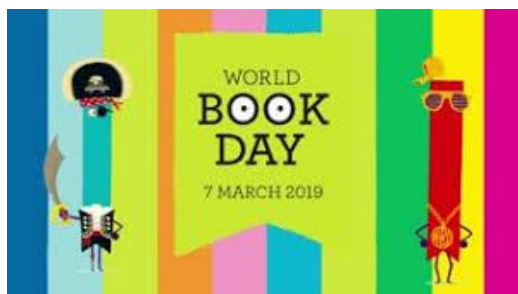
The children were due to be off school on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th March 2019. This has now been changed and children will be off school on Monday 18th March only. They will attend school on Tuesday 19th March and will have a day off on Friday 3rd May to make up for Tuesday 19th March. This change has come about because of the school's intended use for elections on Thursday 2nd May.

WORLD BOOK DAY THURSDAY 7TH MARCH

This Thursday our school will be celebrating World Book Day with a range of fun-filled activities. Classes will carry out a range of book related activities. We will have two storytellers in school on that day.

We ask that your child comes to school dressed up as their favourite book character and brings along their favourite book on the day.

We would encourage costumes to be made at home from old clothes and materials as opposed to purchasing new costumes specifically for this day. Keep an eye on our website and Facebook page for a special treat on the day!



NOTICES

Friday 8th March P5 assembly, Mrs Mc Crystal's class at 9.30am in the Assembly Hall. All welcome

Our St Patrick's Day Nursery concert with the Fountain PS will take place on Friday 15th March.

Our whole school St Patrick's Day concert will take place on Friday afternoon, 15th March.

Tempest photography will be in the school on Wednesday 6th March to take class photos of Nursery, P1 and P7.

On Wednesday, Primary 3 and 7 children will take part in Queen's University, Daire Project, which aims to improve children's knowledge of and interest in food and where it comes from.

On Thursday, P7 will attend the Engineering Road Show at St Mary's College Derry. Please ensure permission slips are signed.

On Friday, students from University of Ulster, Coleraine will begin the Sport for Life programme with our P5 classes.

Wednesday 6th March P4 are going to the CCA Gallery to participate in an Art Workshop

The Busy Bodies programme will take place on Tuesday 5th March for Miss Henderson's class and on Thursday 7th March for Miss Bowe's class.

Wednesday 6th March is Ash Wednesday P3-P7 will attend 10am Mass to receive ashes.

SPONSORED SPELL

This week you will receive information on your child's sponsored spell. Please help your child to get full marks in the sponsored spell by checking their spellings with them. Nursery and Primary One children will do sponsored rhymes. Our sponsored spell will take place on Thursday 14th March. The proceeds of the sponsored spell will go towards purchasing new play equipment for the play park in the upper school.

CLASS ATTENDANCE LEAGUE

The first Class Attendance League ended last week with Miss Biddle's P2 class being declared Attendance Champions. A new league has started and as before, all children with 100% attendance enter a draw for a Brunswick Moviebowl cinema pass. Please remember that attendance is vital for achievement!

PARENT SURVEY

Each year we send out a survey to ascertain parents' views on how we could improve our provision in school. We would be grateful if you could complete a ten minute questionnaire on the website: <http://survey.glassessment.co.uk/s/LX64S>
please use the password: **LPS12346parent**

FEBRUARY SPELLING WIZARD

Congratulations to Aldara Infante Mc Donald for winning the February P3 Spelling Wizard competition; Oisín Boyd for winning P4/5 Spelling Wizard and Zenan Kennedy for winning the P6/7 Spelling Wizard competition. They gave an excellent performance. Well done to all our finalists for their fantastic effort.



PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN NUMERACY

As part of the ongoing development of our school's numeracy programme we are providing opportunities for parents to become involved in their child's numeracy development. We propose to run a numeracy programme with P1 and P5 children and their parents. The programme will run for 6 weeks and consists of a games library where children can borrow a numeracy game for one week at a time to play at home with their family. There will be a meeting on Tuesday 12th March 2019, at 2.30pm in the Meeting Room. All P1 and P5 parents are welcome.

FIRST COMMUNION OUTFITS

Our fundraising committee would like to set up a First Communion /Confirmation stall, aimed at recycling outfits. They are seeking used (or new) outfits for both boys and girls. This is an ideal opportunity to further develop our recycling/ reuse programme. Any outfits would be greatly appreciated. Please leave at office or nursery with Mrs Hutchison. There will be more information later about opening date and times. If anyone would like to help out, please contact Mrs Hutchison.

FIRST COMMUNION

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated on **Saturday 25th May 2019 at 11am** in St. Columba's Church

The date for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be confirmed in the new year.

RIGHT OF THE MONTH

The Right of the month for March is:

Article 29- The right to an education that helps to develop your talents and abilities. It should also help you to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people-The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.

PATHS QUOTE

We all have two kinds of feelings ~ comfortable and uncomfortable. Comfortable feelings are represented by the colour yellow. YELLOW makes us think of sunshine and happy play times.

Make today your yellow day. Put a smile on your face and look for the colour yellow all over our school.

NURSERY STARS OF THE WEEK

LUCAS YATES AND DARCY MEENAN

Our Nursery Stars of the week are Lucas Yates and Darcy Meenan for being kind and helpful. Well done LUCAS AND DARCY.

The Nursery children will be completing a Nursery Rhyme Challenge for World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. Children in Nursery and P1 will dress up as their favourite Nursery Rhyme Character. Please return sponsor sheet as soon as possible .

PEANUT AND NUTFREE CLASSROOM

At present, we have children in the school who have nut allergies, therefore, it is vitally important that you do not send any food with your child to school that contains nuts. **Nuts, peanuts or any products containing nuts or peanuts are NOT allowed in school.**

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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES OR REQUESTS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SEND THESE INTO SCHOOLS IN A LETTER WITH YOUR CHILD.