



September 2024

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your incredible support, help and donations last school year. It was a record-breaking year for the Longhorsley PTA, and we couldn't believe our eyes when the Longhorsley Lounge of Peace was delivered in April! Thank you EVERYONE for your help whether it was ideas, baking, donations, form filling, turning up, booking time off work, buying raffle tickets, helping with crafts or events.



We appreciate it all and we would not be able to function without you. This extra space has made the world of difference to our children.



As well as donating to the Wellness Hub, the PTA also paid for the Christmas Gifts from Santa, the coaches to the Snow White performance in Alnwick, the new poly tunnel, the Early years waterproofs, and the Year 4's leavers meal.

So... what's on this term?

To kick off the fundraising for this year, we have a voucher for a family of four to visit Whitehouse Farm worth £57.00. It will be names in a hat for a £1.00 each. For all the information and if you would like to be included please use this [google form](#).



Next, we have [bag2school.com](#) collection. Please bring in your clothes, hats, shoes, coats, bags etc **donations for charity** between Thursday 17th to 9am Friday 18th October and the school will be paid for the weight that we donate. So, please ask your family and neighbours too! Please check the website for a full list of what can and can't be donated.

Film Nights for Reception through to Year 4 which includes a hotdog, cookie and drink. The dates for the film nights are Friday 4th **October** or Friday 18th **October** and will start straight after school. The same film will be shown on both dates, rated U and both are limited numbers for health and safety reasons.

Starry Night Christmas Crafts and Non-Uniform Day

This is where all the children are invited to come into school in sleepwear or onesies. The PTA and helpers will also be going into school on **Friday 29th November** to help the children complete a Christmas craft and decorate a Star for a loved one to hang on the Village Green Christmas Tree. Last year we played Christmas songs and the children really enjoyed getting in the festive spirit.

The Brand-New PTA PROMO!!!

We had lots of suggestions for combining all the busy festive activities into one parent friendly form. So, you can now sign your child up to all the Autumn Term Activities in one go! This includes one film night, one Christmas craft, one Christmas tree star and one non uniform for the bargain price of £15.00 per child payable by 1st October 2024. Please complete this [single google form](#) for Reception to Year 4.



There is a separate PTA Promo for the nursery children. This is the same package minus the film night please complete this [google form](#). (*Reception to Year 4, please also use this form if your child cannot attend the film night*).

Extra Christmas Tree Stars are of course available. Please fill out this separate [google form](#) for Extra Stars.



Asda Rewards If you or a family member or neighbour is a regular Asda shopper. Please can you download the Asda rewards app and opt into the Cash pot for schools' campaign and select our school. <https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools> Then Asda will donate a percentage of your shop to our school every time you shop and scan.

Donations We are on the lookout for donations for the Christmas Hampers please. Smellies, booze, chocolates, activities, games, etc for the Adult and Child Christmas Hampers. Please can you give to one of us at school or leave at the office. Thank you.

PTA Team Update

Laura Marshall and Amy Brisker who have both been with the PTA for over five years each, have now retired. We are very grateful for all their time, energy and support they have given the school.

We are always open to accepting new members or 'parent helpers' please just let one of us know. Our PTA AGM is on Friday 27th September 2.30pm. All are welcome to the AGM, just let Mrs Gillies know if you would like to attend longhorsleyadmin@fedlongwhaltschools.uk Our next team meeting will be mid-January 2025 at the Shoulder of Mutton.

Thank you for your continued support.

Your PTA Committee
Louisa, Kathryn, Jools & Ruth

