



# Longhorsley Church Of England First School

## Spring 2 Newsletter- March 2025

Welcome back! We hope you all had a restful half term. Spring 2 has an exciting array of events and activities planned; please see below:

### Font Alliance Logo Competition

Thank you to all of the children who entered the competition to design the Font Alliance Logo - they were all so good that the Font Alliance Group is amalgamating aspects of the best logos. An announcement will be made in due course.

### Swimming for Spring 2:

From Wednesday 5th March, Class 2 (Year 1 & 2) will continue swimming at the Morpeth Sports & Leisure Centre.

The children travel by coach and are dropped off and picked up at the Leisure Centre. Please can children avoid leggings as they are difficult to pull on after swimming, tracksuit bottoms are preferable - many thanks!



### Sports Hall for Spring 2:

Class 1 & Class 4 (Reception & Year 4) are also going to Morpeth Sports & Leisure Centre every Wednesday. They will be taught basic gross motor skills - running, jumping, throwing and kicking to use in games.



Please can PE kit be worn for this class too and they will need their water bottle as always.

Many thanks to the parent helpers for their support, you are invaluable.

## After School Clubs

We still have 4 places available for the 1st Footy football skills sports club on a Tuesday after school from 3.20 - 4.20pm for Key Stage 2 Children (Boys and Girls from Years 2, 3 & 4 children - max of 20 places).

The first session will begin on Tuesday 4th March and the last session is on Tuesday 8th April. The cost for this club is £3.00 per week (£18 for Spring Term 2) and is payable via school gateway.



Please sign up [here](#) if you wish for your child to take part.

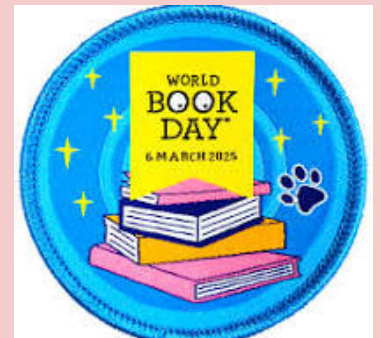
**Great Oaks and Dance** are continuing on Thursday's afternoons, bookings for these are made directly with the providers.

## World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 6th March. To celebrate this day, children are able to come to school dressed as a book character.

We would also like to remind you that you are invited to come into the school hall for our poetry recitals. Each class will come and recite a poem they have been working on.

This will be from 9.30am in the school hall. Unfortunately, due to fire regulations, we will have to limit the number of guests to one per child.



We hope the children will have a fantastic time sharing a love of reading and we would love to see you for our recital too.

## Pupil Progress Meetings for Reception to Year 4

These are taking place in the school hall on Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th March. A google form to book appointments for your ten minute slots will be sent out shortly and when appointments are allocated they will be put in the children's reading diaries. There will be a colouring table in the hall for children.

## Robinwood Parent Meeting

There will be a parent meeting in school on 1st April at 2.30pm to share further information about this trip.

**PTA Easter Painted Egg Competition!** Only £2.50 to enter. Every child that enters receives an Easter Treat! The children decorate their boiled eggs at home and bring them in by Friday 4th April.

### Font Alliance Football Match

We have been invited to another football tournament as part of the Font Alliance at Ponteland Community Primary School on Monday 7th April at 4pm. We are looking for a show of interest for this. It is aimed at Years 3 and 4. The children will be practising weekly at lunchtimes and we are hoping to have our new football strip by then too. We are also suggesting an early pick up of 3pm to help with travelling to Ponteland on this day too. For more information or to sign up please follow [this link](#).

### Spring 2 Diary Dates to Note (Entries in Red are new):



| <b>March 2025</b>  |                                       |
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| Swimming continues for Years 1 & 2<br>Reception and Year 4 in the Sports Hall                  | Wednesday 5th March                   |
| World Book Day - Children invited to dress as a book character.<br>Poetry Recitals in the hall | Thursday 6th March<br>at 9.30 in Hall |
| National Science Week  | Friday 7th - 14th March               |
| Pupil Progress Meetings 3.20 - 5.30pm - in Hall  | Wednesday 26th March                  |
| Pupil Progress Meetings 3.20 - 5.30pm - in Hall  | Thursday 27th March                   |
| <b>April 2025</b>  |                                       |
| Robinwood Meeting for Year 4 Parents - 2.30pm in Hall  | Tuesday 1st April                     |
| <b>PTA Easter Painted Egg Competition</b>  | <b>Friday 4th April</b>               |
| Easter Experience - Children only  | Tuesday 8th April                     |
| Easter Service - 9.20am St Helen's Church  | Friday 11th April                     |
| School closes for Easter   | Friday 11th April                     |
| School re-opens for Summer 1 term  | Monday 28th April                     |
| Swimming starts for Reception<br>Years 3 & 4 in Sports Hall                                    | Wednesday 30th April                  |