Longhorsley Church Of England First School
Autumn 2 Newsletter - October 2026

Just a quick reminder of what we have going on next half term. Please see below:

Children to Wear PE Kits on:

Nursery and Reception	**Tuesday and Thursday**
Year 1 to Year 4	**Tuesday and Thursday**

Swimming for Autumn 2:

From Thursday 5th November, Year 2 will be 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 Autumn 2:

Class 4 (Year 3 & 4) are also going to Morpeth Sports & Leisure Centre every Thursday. 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.

After School Clubs:



Choir facilitated by James Tait:
This popular after school club begins on Monday 2nd November to Monday 14th December - 7 weeks and is open to Years 1 - 4. To sign up, please use this Google Form.

Boomwhackers Club:



Please see below an introduction to our boomwhackers after school club from the tutor Graaeme Hare.
Last term we launched a brand-new Boomwhacker Music Club at Longhorsley First School. Boomwhackers are colourful tuned percussion tubes that make music fun, active and accessible for all children. Each week, children will learn to keep a steady beat, play simple rhythms, and work together as a musical group. They'll also begin exploring chords and harmony, discovering how different notes fit together to create real music. As the weeks progress, the group will build towards playing along with backing tracks, giving them the exciting experience of performing as part of a band. Sessions are calm, structured, and designed for all abilities — perfect for building confidence and creativity.

This club begins on Tuesday 3rd November to Tuesday 15th December - 7 weeks and is open to Years 1 - 4. To sign up please use this Google Form.

Dance Club with Kelly:

Continuing this term for Reception to Year 4, the dance club starts on Thursday 5th November until Thursday 17th December (6 weeks as no dance on Thursday 3rd December as Christmas Performance) at a cost of £42.00. Contact Kelly directly on 07583619992 or email: jamiesonkelly@hotmail.com to book your child's place.



Remembrance Day:

Once again we are supporting the Royal British Legion in school.
On Thursday 5th to Tuesday 10th November we will be selling - Poppies (£1) - Bracelets/Bands-(£1) Crosses (£2) - Reflectors (£1) and rulers (£1).

On Wednesday 11th November, the Remembrance Day Service will be on the Village Green at 10.45am, all welcome.

Scholastic Book Fair

We are running a Scholastic Book Fair in school week commencing the 16th November. Further details to follow.



Dairy Link Milk:

If your child would like milk in Autumn 2, please order as soon as possible at www.dairylink-uk.com.

Diary Dates:

We have added a google calendar to our website with all of our Diary Dates. This will allow you to add the events you would like to be reminded about, to your own calendars and set up notifications or reminders on your own devices.

November 2026		
Monday 2nd November	School re-opens for **Autumn Term 2**	
Thursday 5th November	Swimming for Years 2 Year 3/4 in the sports hall	Morpeth Leisure Centre
Monday 9th November	Federation Day - details TBC	Whalton
Wednesday 11th November	Remembrance Day Service	10:45 Village Green
Monday 30th November	**School closed to children - Teacher Training Day**	Not aligned with Morpeth Partnership
December 2026		
Wednesday 2nd December	Nursery & Reception Christmas Performance	School Hall 9:30
Thursday 3rd December	Nursery & Reception Christmas Performance	School Hall 9:30
Thursday 3rd December	Christmas Afternoon Performance Years 1,2,3 & 4	School hall 2pm
Thursday 3rd December	Christmas Evening Performance Years 1, 2,3 & 4	School hall 6pm
Wednesday 16th December	Christmas Jumper Day for RE Chosen Charities, Christmas dinner, followed by Christingle Service	Christingle Service - St Helen's Church 2:30pm
December - TBC	Theatre Visit TBC	1.00pm
Friday 18th December	Christmas Party Day - Children wear non-uniform Break up for Christmas	