



# LONG DITTON

## INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

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# NEWSLETTER

## 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018

## LATEST NEWS

### Dear Parents and Carers

It's the Summer Fair tomorrow!!!! And my goodness me it is set to be an awesome event. I have seen the plans and preparations as they have developed and it is going to be wonderful! From Zorbing to pony experiences, massages to hook a duck and BBQ's to delicious cakes – what a way to spend an afternoon. I really hope to see you there because it is going to be spectacular! Thank you in advance to all of the Friends who have already given up so much of their time to arrange the event. You are inspirational ☺

### Sports Morning 18<sup>th</sup> June

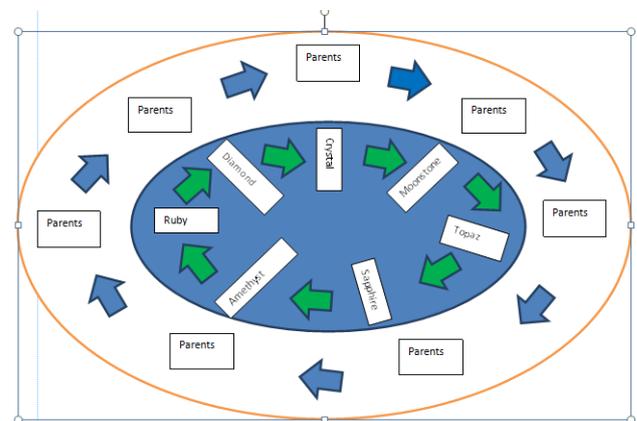
This is on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 9.15am at Long Ditton St Mary's on their field. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be taking part in sports activities. Those of you that are new to the way we arrange sports morning in our school need to know that:

- The children should come to school in their PE kits. They need a hat, water bottle and should have sun cream already applied.
- Each child is put into a 'sports related theme' group. The groups are randomly selected and we try to make sure that there are equal numbers in each group.
- Every child takes part in every sport activity at the same time.
- Parents stand around the edge of the sporting arena and can follow their child's class around as they move from one game to the next.
- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> places get scored 10 points, 5 points and 2 points.
- The emphasis is on 'fun', 'sportsmanship' and 'doing your best'.

In the past, parents and carers have come to me to say that they would like simple races that they can sit and watch their child compete in. We have considered this and we believe that that type of sports day is best suited for when the children are older and saved for junior school and up. Our aged children should be actively engaged for as much of the time as possible – not sitting and waiting for their one turn to be in a race.

This year we will be asking parents to say goodbye and leave first after the sports morning is finished so that we can ensure the children return to school safely. Please help us to do this by leaving as quickly as you can at the end.

The diagram below is a brief guide showing how the field will be laid out (please ignore Crystal Class – this is from last year). Parents need to keep the sporting area clear and always stand behind the cones so that they are not in the way.



If there is time at the end there may be a parent race – but this will depend on how the children are

coping and what the weather is like. Again there will be plenty of opportunities for parent races as they grow up.

### **Sports Week Next Week**

As well as the sports morning the children next week will be taking part in fencing, gymnastics, skipping and meeting Peter Bakare the Olympic Volleyball player. Each day they will need to be in sports clothes so that they can take part comfortably and safely in these activities.

### **Golden Boot Challenge**

Each Friday in the month of June we ask the children how they came to school. The class with the greenest or most eco-friendly way of coming to school wins the Golden Boot Challenge and each child receives a Golden Boot badge and the Golden Boot trophy for their class. The categories for coming to school in a green way are walking, scooting, biking, public transport, car share (2 or more children per car) and park and stride; (for park and stride to be considered you have to park further away than the George Evelyn!) Good luck everyone!

### **World Cup Ice Pop Challenge**

This week we have been talking a little about the world cup and what it means to be an excellent sports person/footballer. To link this to helping the children understand about respect, kindness and being polite I have set an Ice Pop Challenge. Any child who is seen being polite, kind and respectful at any time during the day will be given a smiley face for their class. The class at the end of the week with the most smiley faces will receive an ice-pop each to celebrate their good choices. This week the class who won gained 65 smiley faces.

The winners were Amethyst Class. Well done Amethyst Class for being very polite, kind and respectful to everyone. Parents and carers can help at home by also recognising and telling their child when they have demonstrated being kind, polite and respectful. Sometimes we forget that our children are learning these skills and if we don't point them out when they are showing them, they won't know what we mean. Have a go and see how great they are!

### **Birthday Books**

Thank you to Claudia for choosing a birthday book to give to her class.

### **Good Manners Table**

On my Good Manners table this week were Miller, Isobel, Vristhi and Rory. Super manners!

### **Class with the most attendance**

The class with the best attendance this week is Diamond with 98.67% 😊 (Closely followed by Topaz and Amethyst who also had 98%!)

### **Governor Monitoring Day – 21<sup>st</sup> June**

There is a governor monitoring day next Thursday, some governors will be asking parents questions from the Ofsted Parent Questionnaire before and after school. I am attaching the list of questions the governors will be asking.

### **Thought for the week**

**Peace.** It does not mean to be in a place where there is no noise, trouble or hard work. It means to be in the midst of those things and still be calm in your heart. (Unknown)

See you at the Summer fair!!!!

**Mrs Paines**

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## **Nursery**

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Wow! Our caterpillars are huge and are beginning to grow into a cocoon or a chrysalis as we learnt this week. Our tadpoles are gradually growing and changing. Quite a long process! The sunflowers we planted are surviving! We planted some green beans this week and watered the dry garden. We learnt about Eid, and that insects have 6 legs and that spiders are not insects because they have 8 legs! We talked about the word Arachnid. All the children have now learnt the correct sequence for the life cycle of a butterfly. In Maths we have been learning about 'symmetry' and painting a symmetrical butterfly. We have also been taking on some independent challenges such as cutting, sticking and creating a caterpillar pattern and symmetrical patterns.

Next week we will be brainstorming the word 'rainforest' in preparation for the zoo visiting us on the 28th June. Please remember to complete the form attached to the letter sent home this week and return it to the school office via the black 'Office Post box'. If you did not receive the letter, please contact the school office. Our role play area will be changed into a rainforest by the children over the next week or so. Any props or stories would be welcome. We will be creating some ladybirds, remembering they have 6 legs, and creating a marble ink painting background for them. We will be doing some simple adding of ladybird spots. (2 spots and 3 spots make altogether....). Next week we will be discussing the word 'peace' in circle time and learning through the story 'Peace at Last'.

The optional activities that you can do at home this week is more handwriting activities, 'l' for ladybird and 'i' for insect!

In baking we baked some round biscuits and the children iced them as planets today and took them home. Thank you to Edward's Mum and Esther's Mum for helping with baking.

**Reminder:** the Nursery will be closed on Monday 25th June.

Have fun and relax this weekend, enjoy the Summer Fair everyone and hopefully see you there!

The Nursery Team 😊😊😊

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## Reception

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We started the week on our school trip to SOLD. We had a wonderful day. We took part in lots of different activities, focusing on teamwork. We also had the opportunity to explore a woodland area. Children played in the mud kitchen, on the rope swings and made their own den out of wooden sticks. A big well done to all of Reception for being super role models for the school and behaving really well. Also a massive thank you to all the parents who helped on the trip, you were great! After an exciting start to the week, we have been practising lots for sports day. Children have been

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practising each activity and learning the rules for the day. We have also been talking about teamwork in circle time and that winning is not the most important part of sports day, taking part is what counts!

Next week, we have an exciting sports week. On Monday we will have our sports day. For the rest of the week children will have a special lesson each day trying out a different sport with a coach. The different sports will be skipping, gymnastics and fencing. Then on Friday, the children will meet a real athlete. His name is Peter Bakare, he is an Olympic volleyball player for Great Britain.

**Vocabulary:** athlete, race, challenge, compete, competition,

**Show and Tell:** Hedgehogs

**Theme:** Sports day, Olympics, teamwork

**REMINDER:** Please can children come to school dressed in their PE kits on Monday, ready for Sports day and wear PE kit to school every day next week.

**If you have any junk modelling please can you bring it into school, thank you! Please remember NOT to bring any packets/boxes that have contained nut/sesame or other seeds.**

The Reception Team 😊

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## Year 1

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The children have really enjoyed our seaside topic so far! It's great to see some children bringing in little shells and other things for our topic displays.

In Literacy this week we have been thinking about the seaside and things that happen there. We have written seaside poems and thought about what you would see, hear, smell and taste there.

In Maths, we have continued to work through subtraction and addition missing number problems. We have been using our knowledge of number bonds and a 100 square, and number lines to help us find the answers. The children have

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been country dancing and continued to learn the Circassian circle dance and enjoyed following the various movement patterns.

In RE we have continued to learn about the Torah and why it is an important document in Judaism. In PE we have begun to practise the races we will do on sports day next week.

Next week is sports week and the children will be completing various sports tasks every day. Please remember to send your child into school wearing their PE kit every day with suitable shoes – plimsolls or trainers. We are very much looking forward to sports day on Monday.

### Home learning:

**Literacy** – Please use exciting adjectives to write a description of the seaside.

**Maths** – Help your child to work out some missing number sentences using a hundred square or a number line. E.g.  $4 + \_\_ = 7$ . Remind them to circle both numbers and then count the jumps in between to find out what the missing number is.

### Show and Tell Group - Giraffes

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## Year 2

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As part of Literacy and PSHE this week we watched a short film called 'Soar' about a girl who helps a boy with his flying machine. We discussed why the different characters felt thankful to one another. We then thought and wrote about all of the kind things that people do for us that we are thankful for. In DT we have made pinwheels and written instructions using command sentences to teach our friends how to make them. We thought carefully about all of the important features the instructions would need to be successful.

In Maths this week we have been using balance and kitchen scales to weigh a variety of objects. First we estimated the weight of each object and then used the scales to check the weight in grams. We also identified objects that weighed more or less than 100 grams.

On Thursday we had a fantastic experience taking part in a Great Fire of London Workshop with Mrs Rising. We all joined in acting out the events, creating St Paul's Cathedral with our bodies and moving around using coloured materials to represent the fire. Thank you, Mrs Rising!

**Next week** is Sports Week and we will have the opportunity to participate in lots of different sports. We look forward to seeing you all at St Mary's Juniors on Monday morning for our Sports Morning. Please make sure your child comes to school dressed in their PE kit. We will also be finding out more about the Great Fire of London, using colour mixing to create a scene of the event.

**Key vocabulary:** heavier, lighter, heaviest, lightest, grams, kilograms, commands, instructions, template, bossy verbs.

**Home learning:** To research information about GB volleyball player Peter Bakare in preparation for his visit next week. Then write 5 questions we could ask him to find out more about him.

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## School Office

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### Main Door

We would remind parents/carer that if you are waiting in the area outside the office to speak to a member of staff, you must not open the door to let another person in, even if you know that person. It is the responsibility of the office staff (or other member of staff if the office team is not available) to let anyone in. This is for the safety of everyone in school. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

### School Uniform Order for September

We have been informed by our school uniform supplier, PMG Schoolwear, that uniform, book bags, PE bags required for September must be ordered by 15<sup>th</sup> August at the latest to ensure delivery before the start of the Autumn term. Please see advert for more details.

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## Friends

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Hi, very brief note today

Here are the raffle and Tombola prizes for tomorrow:

- Moët & Chandon magnum
- Pineapple parties voucher
- Bocketts Farm 2 tickets
- Hobbledown family pass
- BBQ and bar token
- Oliver Bonas pashmina
- Banana Republic pashmina
- Lady garden voucher
- Sarb massage
- Issey Miyake perfume
- 1x Playball holiday camp vouchers
- Sigma Sports voucher (£50)
- Parrs boat hire (2 adults, 3 kids return ticket to Hampton Court Palace)
- Nuffield Spa 25 min treatment voucher
- Rising Stars drama class ½ term lessons
- Impact Dance
- Fairy Footsteps
- Village Pizza vouchers
- Nuffield Health months family pass
- Gymboree Surbiton pass
- Headmasters cut and blow dry voucher
- Rush 1 x Cut, Finish and Kerastase Treatment
- Fellowship Barber Shop goodie bag
- Fellowship Barber Shop voucher (wash, cut & dry)
- Long Ditton School tote bag
- Photography voucher (Rock & Rose?)
- Albury Vineyard voucher
- Mint voucher (Claire Webber) (for posh tombola)
- Colets family week pass
- Regency Bookshop (book)
- Langleys meal for two voucher
- Shetland Pony Club - Starter ride voucher
- The Rose Theatre 4 tickets for Hansel and Gretel
- Spray & Glo voucher (spray tan)

- Jennings Butchers voucher (£20) will use for purchase
- Cook vouchers (3 X £10)
- One go in each of the stalls
- Jenny Morton Interiors voucher
- Petes Elite Fit Camp Voucher
- Two tickets for The Great Brick Adventure
- 1x playball camp voucher (posh tombola)
- Champagne flute with chocs
- Premier Wine Voucher

A huge thank you to all our sponsors;

- Matthew James
- The George Evelyn pub
- Surbiton Sitters
- Nina's Paint Pod
- Travelolo
- A2mazin'
- Robbins Bobbins
- The Holiday Inn
- The Lego Event
- Soccerstarz
- Cosmetic Therapies

A huge thanks also to the parents and carers that have helped and baked and give their time, it really makes a difference to the school.

PLEASE COME TO THE FAIR TOMORROW, ITS GONNA BE EPIC!

Have a great weekend.

Friends

## ACHIEVEMENTS

### Value Stars: Peace



Miller  
Erin  
Beatrice  
Ava S  
Elena  
Bronwyn

### Golden Certificates:

Isobel  
Sijun  
Finn  
Enrico  
Amelia  
Hattie  
Carlos  
Georgina  
Rayaan  
Felix C  
George R  
Isla C  
Jacob  
Emily  
Gabriel

### Credit Card:



Corelie – 5  
Daisy – 5  
Isobel – 6  
Jack H - 5

### Outside Achievements:

Roshan was awarded the Star Fencer trophy from Little Musketeers  
Georgina was awarded Learn to Swim level 4

## DIARY DATES

<b>June 2018</b>	
Monday 18th	Sports Week 9.15-10.15am All years (except Nursery) Sports Event at Long Ditton St. Mary's Juniors – parents/carers invited to watch
Monday 25th	Nursery closed for new children to visit
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 2 visit to Houses of Parliament Yr 1 Parents/carer invited to lunch
Thursday 28th	Yr 1 trip to the beach Rainforest animals visiting Nursery
Friday 29th	2.00pm Parent helpers' Thank You Tea Party (by invitation – these were sent out today – please contact school office if you did not receive yours!)
<b>July 2018</b>	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Yr 2 Amethyst Class summer visit to Stokes Field
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Yr 2 Diamond Class summer visit to Stokes Field
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 2 to Long Ditton St Mary's Juniors – induction visit (morning) New classes visit 4.30-6.00pm Open Evening – all welcome
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 2 Pedals Course
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 2 Pedals Course 10.00am Languages Assembly (parents/carers whose children take part are invited to come and watch – please let the school office know if you will be attending)
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Multi Cultural week Yr 2 trip to AirHop
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 2 to visit LDSM Juniors Yr 6 Leavers' Production (afternoon)
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Yr R Fire Engine visiting school 2.15pm Rocksteady Concert (parents/carers whose children take part are invited – please email the school office if you will be attending)
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	2.00-3.00pm Yr 2 Leavers' Disco
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am Yr 2 Leavers' Assembly Nursery last day
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery closed
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery closed 9.15am Church Assembly at St. Mary's Church – all welcome School closes at 1.30pm for the Summer holidays

## EVENTS / ACTIVITIES (outside of school) / School Adverts



You are warmly welcomed to join our local group to help make KT6 even nicer!



Please join us:

- . By the big tree next to Manny's store
- . Bring along a carrier bag & plastic gloves/litter picker (optional)
- . Join us on Facebook to receive info on all our meets
- . Litter pick will last 1 hour. **EVERYONE WELCOME!**

**1st Meet**

**Sunday 24th  
June, 9.30am**

**SCHOOL UNIFORM  
BACK TO SCHOOL  
PURCHASE DEADLINE**

**ONLINE OR INSTORE  
WEDNESDAY 15TH  
AUGUST 2018**

**DON'T LEAVE IT TOO LATE!**

Whether you place your order online or make the purchase by visiting your local store, please do this by Wednesday 15th August 2018 to ensure your child has their uniform in time for September.

**Remember after the deadline, we cannot guarantee to have stock in time for your child's first day back at school – help us to help you!**

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