

# Longworth Primary School

Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Newsletter

## Message from the Headteacher: Be kind

This is our first newsletter of this academic year and I am so pleased how the children have settled into school, including our Fox and Fox Cub Class. The children are developing their understanding of our values: be kind, be respectful, persevere and be curious and are showing this in more aspects of school life. Our behaviour rules: respect yourself, respect others and respect the school, mean the children know how to stay safe and happy in every area of the school. We have sent information (knowledge organisers, curriculum overview and class letter) to make sure that parents and carers are in the best possible situation to support your child in their education at our school.

## Up-coming events: Be curious

**Longworth Fun Run** – On Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> September from 0930hrs. Each child taking part will receive a badge and complimentary ice-cream! Registration is at Longworth Hall from 0930hrs and the race starts at 1015 from the Manor House next to the church. I look forward to seeing you there.

**Interhouse Cross Country** – On Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> September, the children will be taking part in our annual Inter-House Cross Country Event from 9.00am. Parents are welcome to come along; support; help and watch.

**Porridge Morning** – On Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> October from 07.55am to 08.45am we will be holding our annual 'Porridge Morning' to celebrate harvest and to bring our community together. This event is really well supported by parents and has proven to be a very sociable way to start the day. I hope to see as many of you as possible on this morning.

**Halloween Disco** – On Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October. As usual, there will two sessions: Session 1: Fox Cubs, Fox and Badgers and Session 2: Hedgehogs and Otters. Tickets cost £3 with a complimentary drink and snack.

## Diary Dates: Be curious

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September – 23<sup>rd</sup> October,**

3 – 3:10pm: Come and Read with Fox Class

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September,**

3:15 – 4pm: Reception phonics party

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September,**

9:15 – 10:30am: Cross country run - parents invited

**Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> September,**

1:30 – 2:45pm: Open afternoon - prospective parents (admissions 2026)

**Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> October,**

8 – 9am: Porridge morning

1:30 – 3pm: Parents Workshop: Helping to Manage your Child's Anxiety

**Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> October,**

Hedgehogs trip to Ashmolean Museum

**Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> October,**

Badgers to Oxfordshire Museum

1:30 – 3pm: Parents Workshop: Helping to Manage your Child's Anxiety

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October,**

Hello Yellow day - children to wear something yellow

12:30 – 2:30pm: Nasal Flu Vaccinations in school

**Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October,**

5.30-8.30pm: Halloween Disco

**Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October,**

End of term finish (Fox Cubs 3.10pm)

**Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> October,**

Inset Day

**Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November,**

Back to school - Start of Term 2

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November – 18<sup>th</sup> December,**

3 – 3:10pm: Come and Read with Fox Class

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November,**

10 – 11:30am: Remembrance Day service at St Mary's Church

**Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> November,**

Anti-Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day

World Nursery Rhyme Week

**Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> November,**

Hedgehogs trip to Sutton Courtenay TBC

**Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> November,**

Children in Need - children to wear something spotty or stripy

**Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> November,**

Parent/teacher meetings

**Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> November,**

3 – 3:10pm: Winter Games - parents invited

**Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December,**

9 – 9:45am: Badger Nativity

1:30 – 2:15pm: Fox Cubs and Foxes Nativity

**Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December,**

9 – 9:45am: Fox Cubs and Foxes nativity

**Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> December,**

9 – 9:45am: Badger Nativity

**Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December,**

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Lunch

6 – 7pm: Hedgehog and Otter Christmas Concert St Mary's Church

**Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> December,**

10:30am – 12pm: Christmas Party

End of Autumn Term. Finish 1.15pm (Fox Cubs 1.00pm)

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## Forest School in Otter Class: Be curious



Otters went for a village walk on Monday. Then we went to Forest School and built miniature dens as the den is described in our class novel, The Explorer.

## Attendance: Persevere

Congratulations to everyone for their terrific attendance at the start of the school year. After one week, our overall attendance is at 99%. This is a great start to the year and helps children build better friendships in school. Thank you for your support with this.

## Hedgehogs: Be respectful

Balances in gymnastics lessons



## Maths in Badger Class: Be kind



Badger Class have been learning how to use the apparatus to represent number. The new Year 1s have settled really well into their new routine.



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## Fox Cubs settling back into their routines: Persevere



Fox cubs have settled back into the preschool routine fantastically. They have shown great teamwork and perseverance, working together to build a bed for their babies.

## Fox Class enjoying the classroom and the outside area: Be curious



Fox Class have had a brilliant start to Reception: learning new routines, getting to know each other, exploring our classroom and outside area.