

# Longworth Primary School

Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

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## Message from the Headteacher: Be kind

It has been fantastic to see all our children enjoy the great experiences we have arranged for them over the last few weeks. Hedgehog Class and the Year 5's have been busy swimming at Faringdon Leisure Centre, followed by an educational visit from Science Oxford. Otter Class have returned safely from their four night trip to Yenworthy. Last Friday in school, children learnt about sharing different foods as part of the NSPCC Number Day. We raised £78. These cultural experiences are a vital part of our personal development curriculum at Longworth Primary School and we thank you for all your support.

## Diary Dates: Be Curious

**Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> February**

Last day of this half term (normal finish time)

**Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February:** Back to school - Start of term 4

**Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> February – Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> March**

9:30 – 10:30am: Swimming @ FCC, Years 3, 4, 5

**Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> February–Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March**

-Tennis Club Yr 2 - Yr 4

**Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> February – Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> March**

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

**Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

Vision Screening - Reception, NCMP (Weight & Height Measuring), Reception & Year 6

**Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> March**

Whole school trip to Farmer Gow's

**Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> March**

3:30 – 6.00pm Badgers parent/teacher meetings

3:30 – 6pm: Otters parent/teacher meetings

**Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> March**

3:30 – 5:30pm: Hedgehog parent/teacher meetings

3:30 – 5:30pm: Fox parent/teacher meetings

3:30 – 6:00pm: Badger parent/teacher meetings

**Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March**

3:30 – 5:30pm: Hedgehog parent/teacher meetings

3:30 – 5:30pm: Fox parent/teacher meetings

3:30 – 6:00pm: Badger parent/teacher meetings

**Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March**

3.10 – 3.40pm: Great Fire of London Exhibition - Badgers (parents invited)

**Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> March:**

End of Spring Term. School finishes at 13.00

(Preschool) and 13.15(Primary School)

## Attendance Update: Persevere



## Every Minute Counts

### **LATENESS = LOST LEARNING**

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 Minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 Minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 Minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 Minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 Minutes late each day	19 days lost!

Be at the classroom on time and ready to learn!

## Badger Class – Forest School: Be respectful



The delivery of bark chippings made for a great opportunity to collaborate and improve our seating area in Forest School sessions this week.

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## Fox Cubs in Preschool: Be curious



Fox Cubs have been showing great curiosity. It's been lovely to see them wanting to know and find out more.

Here is a snap shot of them showing great curiosity about one of our stories of the week:

'The Enormous Turnip'. Whilst reading this story we had some great discussions about turnips. We discussed how we thought a Turnip may taste. The children said they had not tried a turnip before so we decided to wash, peel, chop, boil and mash our turnip to see what it would taste like.

The children used some great descriptive words, whilst predicting what might happen to the turnip when we boil it. They used their big muscles to mash the turnip.

We then all tasted the turnip!

## Science Oxford Visit: Be respectful



Hedgehogs had a visit from Science Oxford to support their learning about Forces. We tried several experiments to consolidate our learning so far, and test Newton's laws of motion. We answered lots of questions using our observations.

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## Badger Class Trip to the Natural History Museum, Oxford: Persevere



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Badger Class had a wonderful trip to Oxford, enjoying a picnic in the park, followed by a workshop on classification of animals and a tour of the museum. Thank you to the kind volunteers for supporting us on this trip, making sure the children got the most of this experience.

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## NSPCC Number Day: Be curious

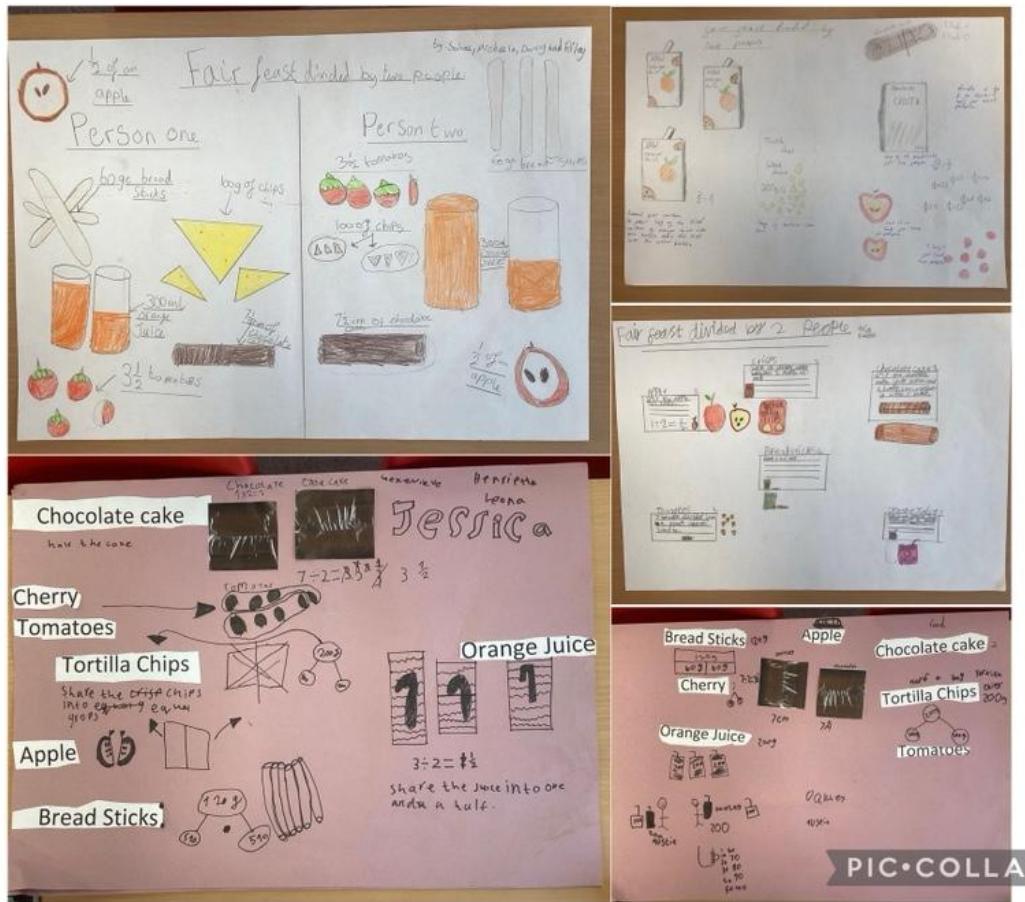
Dear Parents and Carers of Longworth Primary School,  
I'm delighted to share that our NSPCC Number Day last week was a fantastic success. The children embraced the day with enthusiasm, creativity and a real love of learning. We raised £64 for the NSPCC.

Every class (from Fox Cubs to Otters) was so engaged with the Fair Feast Challenge. The teacher and teaching assistants were so impressed with the children's mathematical language, problem-solving skills and teamwork.

A huge thank you for your support— whether it was encouraging participation or contributing to the NSPCC fundraising efforts.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

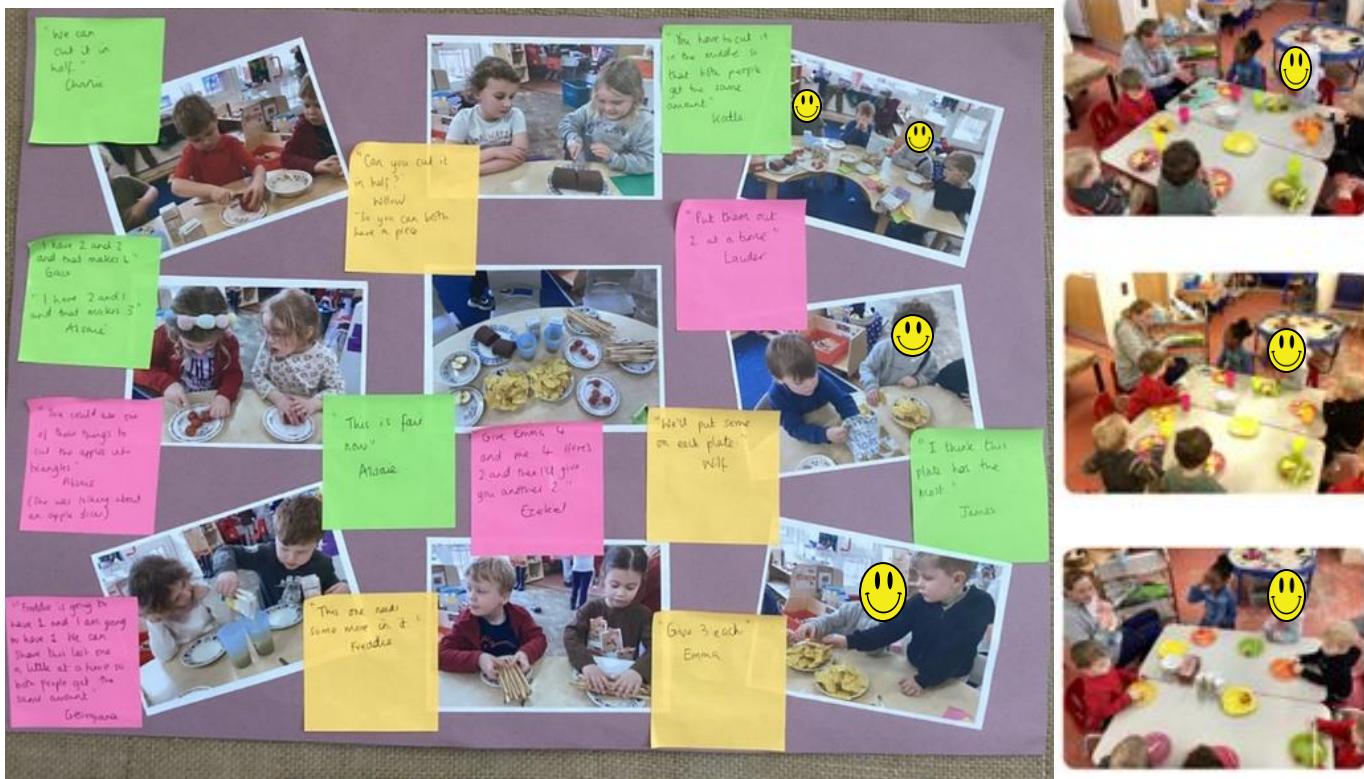
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NSPCC Number Day: Be curious continued...



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