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Langtoft Primary School

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THIS MONTH'S FEATURED RIGHT: Article 24 You have the right to the best health care possible, safe water to drink, nutritious food, a clean and safe environment, and information to help you stay well.

Dear Parents/Carers

Well done to Y4 for their Class Assembly this week. I am sorry that I could not be there. Mr Dolby tells me it was a very informative assembly and that I would have enjoyed the flashing cloud!

This time next week the school will close for the February break, marking the half way point of this school year. It's hard to believe where the time has gone. It's been a short but busy term, one filled with some very poorly children and staff. We seem to be over the worst and so I hope that you will be able to enjoy the week-long rest that is just round the corner. Before then, though, we can look forward to...

LIVE! LANGTOFT'S GOT TALENT

Mrs Leadbeater writes: Rehearsals for *Langtoft's Got Talent 2018. Live!* are now over and so preparations are now underway to ensure the night runs smoothly. **Tickets have sold out!** If your child is taking part in the show, please ensure that they arrive at school at 6.00pm (no earlier, please) via the Key Stage 2 entrance at the side of the building. The children will be supervised until the show begins by staff and volunteers.

Doors will open to the audience at 6:00pm through the Main Entrance. Volunteers will be on the door to receive your tickets and mark them off against your name.

Once you have chosen a seat, please visit our licensed bar (situated in the Year 4 classroom) where you can purchase alcoholic drinks, soft drinks and snacks. The bar will be available until the end of the interval. The show starts at 6.30pm.

We look forward to seeing you all on the night. We do hope that you enjoy the show.



NEW GOING FOR GOLD

Last May we achieved Level 1 status in recognition of our commitment to promoting the *UN Convention on the Rights of the Child* and becoming a *Rights Respecting School*. The next stage for us is to achieve Gold status. To do this, we need to develop the children's understanding of what it means to be a global citizen.



Mrs Wells has been working with the School Council to find well-known charities that help children and their communities around the world. Each of our House teams has adopted a charity. Now when a child earns a house point for great learning, they will be awarded a coloured disc which they will post in their house's 'tube' during Friday's assembly. The



house with the most tokens by the end of Term 4 will be able to 'buy' a donation for their house's charity. By doing so, the children of Langtoft Primary School are helping children around the world to access Article 24: **You have the right to the best health care possible, safe water to drink, nutritious food, a clean and safe environment, and information to help you stay well.**

The nominated charities are Water Aid for Water (blue) House, the World Wildlife Fund for Earth (green) House, Farm Africa for Air (yellow) House and British Red Cross for Fire (red) House. As Ruby in Y4 put it: 'So we're not doing it for ourselves – we're doing it for others.'

Pictured here are children putting the tokens in for the first time in last week's assembly.

Thank you to the *Friends of Langtoft School* for purchasing the House Points tubes, holder and tokens.

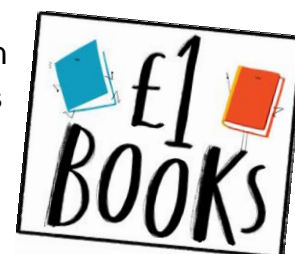
NEW WORLD BOOK DAY



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1 MARCH 2018

Thursday 1 March is *World Book Day*. To celebrate, this year we are inviting the children to create a costume and prop for a character from a traditional tale (*Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Little Red Riding Hood, The Three Little Pigs, Jack and the Beanstalk...*). What a great activity for a wet day during the half-term holiday! The children come to school on 1 March dressed as their character, ready to tell their friends the story of their character. The *Friends of Langtoft School* have kindly donated a book token for the best creation in each class.

Each child will receive a £1 book token to buy one of ten specially-commissioned books. Alternatively, the token can be put towards buying one of five full-length novels for older readers, specially priced at £2.50. If they prefer, your child can use the token as a contribution to buying a full price book. [Visit the official World Book Day website here.](#)



The *Friends of Langtoft School* will be hosting their Bedtime Stories event as well. The event starts at 5:30pm and runs for an hour with children able to choose to listen to three different stories during the evening. We shall send a reminder with more details at the start of Term 4.

NEW THE FEELINGS ARTBOOK

Part of our *School Improvement Plan* this year is to promote positive mental health. Mr Dolby, Mrs Pennell and I have been awarded a *Certificate in Awareness of Mental Health Problems* and I am going to be trained as a Mental Health First Aider in April.

We have begun to promote the idea of self-esteem through weekly sessions in which the children complete a drawing-based task designed to get them thinking positively about their lives, circumstances, talents and abilities. Through drawing, every child can express their ideas whatever their age or academic ability. For example, last week the children were drawing family portraits to promote a sense of belonging. This week, they are thinking about personal strengths by drawing and describing what they are good at.

The artwork is recorded in their *Feelings Artbook* which will be available for you to look at during Parent Consultation appointments in March.

NEW Y5 BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL ROADSHOW

Mr Maddox, Headteacher from Bourne Grammar School will be visiting our school on **Thursday 26 April at 3.15pm** to meet with Year 5 parents and children. The session will last approximately half an hour during which Mr Maddox will explain the selection and admission process for Bourne Grammar School.

NEW Y3 INDIAN EXPERIENCE



Year 3 enjoyed an 'Indian Experience' day with Sunita. Throughout the day, the children were given the opportunity to extend their awareness of a range of Hindi traditions. These included listening to the story of Rama and Sita and drawing rangoli patterns. Year 3 enjoyed dressing up in traditional Indian clothing before joining Sunita in her Bollywood dance class.

ROUND UP SPORTING EVENTS

January was a busy month for competitive sport in our school with three large-scale events taking place across the region. Most of the competitions we enter are organised by Agilitas Sports and are known as School Games, events which encourage children to try a sport at a competitive level and which promote the values of:



When we enter competitions, we are considered a 'large' school as we have more than 30 pupils in Y6 (we have 31) and no less than 120 pupils in Key Stage 2. (We have exactly 120). This means we are competing often against larger schools with two or three classes per year group. We don't let this get in the way though, as the results below will show, and use the experience to help us develop our skills.

AGILITAS HOCKEY: MONDAY 8 JANUARY

Four teams of mixed boys and girls took part in the Agilitas hockey tournament at The Deepings astro pitch on a cold and damp Monday in January. Some children had played hockey before as they had attended an after-school club run by a coach from Agilitas Sports, funded by the School PE and Sports Grant; some had never played before.

After a morning of games, one of our teams (pictured) made it through to an exciting and tough final against Bourne Abbey Church of England Primary Academy. After two rounds of penalties of one on one it was still a draw so it came down to straight shooting at the open goal with no defender...



9th =	Bourne Westfield 'B'
	Langtoft 'D'
8th	Langtoft 'C'
7th	Bourne Westfield 'A'
5th =	Elsa Park 'A'
	Elsa Park 'B'
4th	Langtoft 'B'
3rd	Bourne Abbey 'B'
2nd	Langtoft 'A'
1st	Bourne Abbey 'A'

Despite displays of passion and determination, our 'A' team finished second, bringing back a set of silver medals. Well done to all of our players. A great day!

If any of the players would like to join the Bourne Deeping Hockey Club, parents can make contact via their Facebook page.

AGILITAS SWIMMING GALA: WEDNESDAY 24 JANUARY

We entered this event for the first time this year. Taking place at Spalding Castle Leisure Centre, the event was run again by Agilitas Sports as a School Games event. We competed against four other local primary schools and managed to win most of our races:

Y5/6 Boys freestyle heats	Alex Sadler	1 st	Leo Sangiorgio	1 st
Y5/6 Girls freestyle heats	Isla Jenkins	3 rd	Ella Stewart	3 rd
Y3/4 Boys freestyle heats	Jack Hammond	1 st	Harley Warner	4 th
Y3/4 Girls freestyle heats	Harper Graham	2 nd	Izzy Winsworth	1 st
Y5/6 Boys backstroke heats	Leo Sangiorgio	3 rd	Alex Sadler	1 st
Y5/6 Girls backstroke heats	Fay Swindell	3 rd	Natalie Pecenkova	1 st
Y3/4 Boys backstroke heats	Finlay Smith	1 st	Aaron Sadler	1 st
Y3/4 Girls backstroke heats	Emily Seaton	3 rd	Maya Sangiorgio	1 st
Y5/6 Boys breaststroke heats	Thomas Preston	2 nd	William Burgess	1 st
Y5/6 Girls breaststroke heats	Isabella Hunter	2 nd	Emily Manders-Jones	1 st
Y3/4 Boys breaststroke heats	Isaac Batstone	2 nd	Jacob Didsbury	3 rd
Y3/4 Girls breaststroke heats	Chloe Seaton	3 rd	Harper Graham	1 st
Y5/6 Boys butterfly heats	Alex Sadler	1 st	Thomas Preston	1 st
Y5/6 Girls butterfly heats	Natalie Pecenkova	1 st	Isabella Hunter	1 st



To add to these impressive results, both our Y5/6 Mixed Medley team and Y5/6 Freestyle Medley team came 1st and our Y3/4 Mixed Medley and Y3/4 Freestyle Medley came 2nd and 1st.

There were medals for all swimmers and two grand trophies for the first place teams.

Well done to all the children who tried their best throughout the event, especially those who had to stand in for children who were unable to attend due to illness.

Overall Results			
Y3/4		Y5/6	
		5 th	Whaplode
4 th	Whaplode	4 th	Elsa Park
3 rd	Market Deeping CP	3 rd	Market Deeping CP
2 nd	Bourne Abbey	2 nd	Bourne Abbey
1 st	Langtoft	1 st	Langtoft

🏆 NETBALL: TUESDAY 30 JANUARY

The final event of the month was a Y5/6 High 5 Netball tournament at Bourne Grammar School.

Mr Gibson of Agilitas Sports: *Teams were randomly placed in three pools in the morning and played each other. They then played off against each other in the afternoon depending on where they placed in the morning.*

As well as enjoying competing against other schools, there was a strong emphasis on pupils demonstrating good teamwork, determination and respect.

Our events aim to get young people involved in sport. This may be as players but also as leaders/volunteers/officials. We were delighted to have 21 Year 10 pupils from Bourne Grammar volunteer to help run the day. The leaders took on umpiring, managing, scoring, time keeping and scoring roles and did so brilliantly.

Following several after-school sessions with Mrs Pennell and Mrs Nickson, our two teams played well, facing some tough competition from other local schools. They played their best and I enjoyed watching their game improve as the day went on.

The final results were:

- 10th Market Deeping CP
- 9th Bourne Westfield B
- 8th Bourne Westfield A
- 7th Elsea Park
- 6th Thurlby B
- 5th Langtoft B
- 4th Bourne Abbey B
- 3rd Langtoft A
- 2nd Thurlby A
- 1st Bourne Abbey A



NEW THE GOLDEN BOOK OF GREATNESS

JANUARY 2018

Abi Pike	Poppy Howard	Lilly Meeds	Isabella Curtis
Huey Turner	Scarlet Renault	Alessandra Isaac	Eva Neal
Jocelyn Baynes	Cassie Copland	Finnlay Field	Rubi Hill
Arabella Rigby-Faux	Elliott Morton	Charlie Guest	Oliver Britten
Alfie Price	Zachary Bradley	Jack Hammond	Maya Sangiorgio
James Beswick	Matthew Bryan	Max Neal	Harry Burgess

William Brittain	Archie Renault	Alfie Barton	William Burgess
Rebecca Board	Toby Twell	Maisie Moulds	Eva Barfield
Daniel France	Oakley Hitchens	Faith Harwood	Toby Bradshaw
Gianni Renda	Barnaby James	Lola Williams-Nolan	Ruby Hefferon
Harry Giddings			

NEW THE 5Cs

In January, we were pleased to be able to award 5C badges to...

Caring	Conscientious	Considerate	Cooperative	Courteous
Jessica Hutchcraft Grace Goodchild Rihanna Chapman Lucie Bradshaw	Natalie Pecenkova Joseph Knowles Isobelle Johnson Vitek Pecenka Atte Maaranen	Amelia Smythe Paige Owen Archie Andrew	Summer Johnson Leo Sangiorgio Jack Knowles Lily Barber Freya Stewart	Noah Young Lauren Brawn Maisie Jeffs

REMINDER CLASS ASSEMBLIES

I have pleasure in sharing with you the date of your child's Class Assembly this school year. A Class Assembly is a lovely way for the children to share with you their latest learning so we hope that you will be able to attend.

- Each Class Assembly takes place in the school hall and starts at 9:15am (unless otherwise stated).
- Sadly we have to limit the number of guests per child to two.
- If you wish to video record your child, you must seek permission for this from the school office on the day of the assembly. Video recordings are for private home use only and should not be shared with others or uploaded onto social media sites.

Class	Date
Y3	Thursday 1 March (World Book Day) 2018
Y5	Thursday 3 May 2018
Y1	Thursday 7 June 2018 in church at 9.30am
FS	Thursday 12 July 2018

We look forward to welcoming you to our assemblies.

NEW CHARITY FUNDRAISERS

Well done to the children pictured below who recently had their long hair cut off in support of *The Little Princess Trust* charity. You will recall Fay from Y6 brought the charity to our attention last year and was presented with the 'sixth' 5C badge for **Citizenship** – created to mark her efforts in raising money for others.

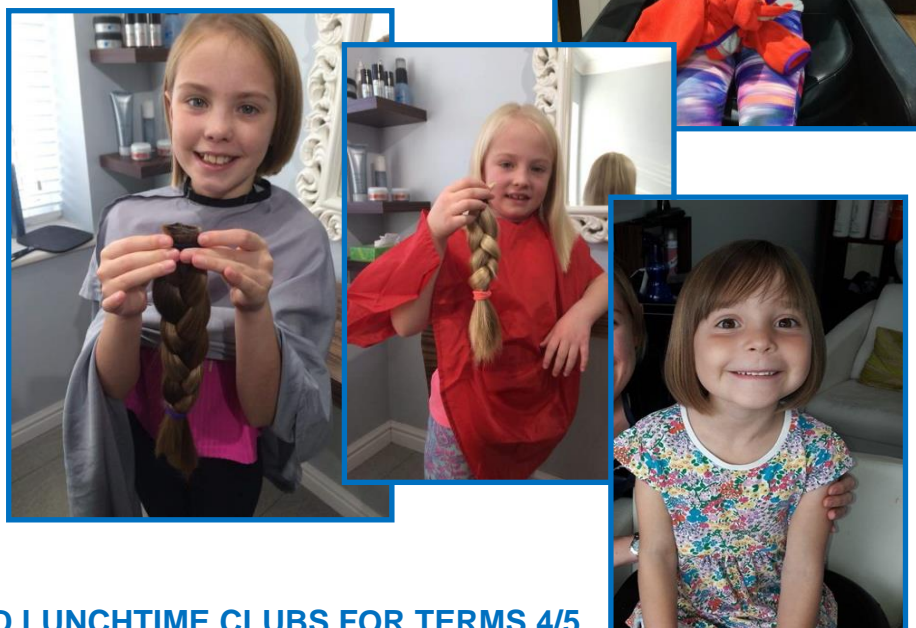
✚ AMELIE: YEAR 1

✚ ELLA: YEAR 6

✚ FREYA: YEAR 2

✚ INDIA: YEAR 3

We are very proud of the girls' achievements and think their new hairstyles are just great!



NEW AFTER-SCHOOL AND LUNCHTIME CLUBS FOR TERMS 4/5

This afternoon a letter has been given to your child confirming which after-school club they have been offered for Term 4 and Term 5. There is a good range on offer and we are delighted that so many children want to take part.

Please be aware that clubs begin the **second week** back after the February break: **Monday 26 February 2018 and continue through to the end of Term 5, Friday 25 May 2018.** It is hoped that clubs will run every week but there are times when they are cancelled (staff illness, Parent Consultations). We will inform you by ParentMail when this is the case.

If your child is unable to attend a club session, please let us know. This reduces the amount of time (and worry!) at the start of each session telephoning parents/carers to find out where their child is.

Yours faithfully

Mr J McCullough
Headteacher

DIARY DATES

Academic Year 2017/2018

2018	
Y3 visit to Maharani's Indian Restaurant	Monday 5 February
Dance Festival in Spalding	Wednesday 7 February
FS/KS1 Chinese Dragon Dance to parents	Friday 9 February, 2.45pm
Langtoft's Got Talent 2018, Live!	Friday 9 February, 6.30pm
After School/Lunchtime clubs commence	Week comm. Monday 26 February
Y5/6 Sportshall Athletics	Tuesday 27 February
Y5 to the Space Centre, Leicester	Wednesday 28 February
World Book Day	Thursday 1 March
Y3 Class Assembly	Thursday 1 March, 9.15am
FOLS Bedtime Story event	Thursday 1 March, 5.30pm
KS2 Stamford Welland Cross Country	Saturday 3 March, 9.45am
Parent Consultation week	Week comm. Monday 5 March
Y2 Multiskills at Bourne Grammar School	Tuesday 6 March
Y1 visit to Tattershall Castle	Monday 12 March
Sports Relief Week	Week comm. Monday 19 March
Y4 Hockey Festival (TBC)	Tuesday 20 March
Y5 Residential to Ironbridge	Tuesday 20 – Friday 23 March
Y4 Residential at Stibbington	Wednesday 25 – Friday 27 April
Tempest Class Photographs	Monday 23 April
Y5 Bourne Grammar School Roadshow	Thursday 26 April, 3.15pm
Y5 Class Assembly	Thursday 3 May, 9.15am
FOLS Non-uniform Day	Friday 4 May
FOLS Bingo Night	Friday 11 May
SATs week	Week comm. Monday 14 May
Y2 visit to Rutland Birdwatching Centre (TBC)	Monday 21 May
Agilitas Y5/6 Rounders Tournament	Wednesday 23 May
Sports Day	Thursday 24 May
Y6 Bikeability course	Tuesday 5 – Friday 8 June

Y1 Class Assembly in church	Thursday 7 June, 9.30am
FOLS Movie Night	Thursday 7 June
Y6 visit to 'Wicked' Theatre Show, London	Wednesday 13 June
Foundation Stage visit to Great Wood Farm (TBC)	Monday 18 June
Agilitas Y3/4 Tennis Festival	Tuesday 19 June
Deeping Sports Track Events at Langtoft	Thursday 21 June, 4.00pm
New Starters Familiarisation afternoon (1/3)	Friday 22 June, 1.30 – 2.30pm
Y4 visit to Peterborough Cathedral (TBC)	Monday 25 June
Y6 K'nex Challenge in school	Wednesday 27 June, am
Y3 Evacuation Day to Stibbington (TBC)	Thursday 28 June
Olympian visit to school and Y6 workshop	Thursday 28 June
FOLS non-uniform day	Friday 29 June
New Starters 'Stay and Play' session (2/3)	Friday 29 June, 1.30 – 2.30pm
New Starters 'Stay and Play' session (3/3)	Friday 6 July, 1.30 – 2.30pm
FOLS Summer Fayre	Saturday 7 July
Agilitas Y5/6 Athletics Competition	Tuesday 10 July
FS Class Assembly	Thursday 12 July, 9.15am
Y6 End of Year Performance	Thursday 19 July, 7.00pm
Y6 Leavers' Assembly	Friday 20 July, 9.15am

TERM DATES

Academic Year 2017/2018

Term 3 Term ends: Friday 9 February 2018

Term 4 School opens: Monday 19 February 2018
Term ends: Wednesday 28 March 2018
Staff Training Day: Thursday 29 March 2018

Term 5 School opens: Monday 16 April 2018
Term ends: Friday 25 May 2018

Bank Holiday: Monday 7 May 2018

Term 6 School opens: Monday 4 June 2018

Term ends: Friday 20 July 2018

Academic Year 2018/2019

Term 1 Staff Training Day: Monday 3 September 2018

School opens: Tuesday 4 September 2018

Term ends: Friday 19 October 2018

Term 2 Staff Training Day: Monday 29 October 2018

School opens: Tuesday 30 October 2018

Term ends: Wednesday 19 December 2018

Term 3 Staff Training Days: Thursday 3 and Friday 4 January 2019

School opens: Monday 7 January 2019

Term ends: Friday 15 February 2019

Term 4 School opens: Monday 25 February 2019

Term ends: Friday 5 April 2019

Term 5 Bank holiday: Monday 22 April 2019

School opens: Tuesday 23 April 2019

Bank Holiday: Monday 6 May 2019

Term ends: Friday 24 May 2019

Term 6 School opens: Monday 3 June 2019

Term ends: Friday 19 July 2019