

Long Mead Newsletter



Term 1



Welcome back to all the students, parents and carers - we hope you had a fantastic summer holiday.

We are in our fourth week already of this new term and everyone has settled back into school life very well.

TERM DATES FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2015/2016

TERM 1

FIRST DAY MONDAY 7th SEPTEMBER 2015
LAST DAY FRIDAY 23rd OCTOBER 2015

TERM 2

FIRST DAY TUESDAY 3rd NOVEMBER 2015
LAST DAY FRIDAY 18th DECEMBER 2015

TERM 3

FIRST DAY MONDAY 4th JANUARY 2016
LAST DAY FRIDAY 12th FEBRUARY 2016

TERM 4


FIRST DAY MONDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 2016
LAST DAY THURSDAY 24th MARCH 2016

TERM 5

FIRST DAY TUESDAY 12th APRIL 2016
BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 2nd MAY 2016
LAST DAY FRIDAY 27th MAY 2016

TERM 6

FIRST DAY TUESDAY 7th JUNE 2016
LAST DAY FRIDAY 22nd JULY 2016

Please can we remind parents not to bring their cars down the driveway. This will help to ensure the safety of the children coming to and from school. 

 Dogs are also not allowed on the school premises.

Permission Slips

Could we please ask parents to send permission slips (and money where appropriate) back to the school office if a letter has been sent home.

Trips and Clubs are organised by the school, but if we do not have the correct permission slips returned in time children may have to miss out.

The office staff do not have the time to spend chasing and phoning parents if permission slips have not been received.

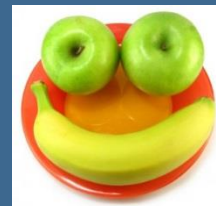
However, if you pay for school trips via School Gateway you can click on Consent and that is also acceptable.

New club letters will be sent home at the beginning of Term 1, Term 3 and Term 5. If you would like your child to continue attending a club, a new permission slip must be completed. Please do not assume your child has a place.

School Meals

The cost of a school meal has increased to £2.25 per day. If you would like a new school menu, please ask at the school office.

Please note if balances owed for school meals exceed £20.00, a packed lunch will be required until the debt is paid. This will be checked regularly and parents will be contacted.



Sponsored Mile

The sun was shining on Friday 25 September making it the perfect day for the sponsored mile! All the children in the school took part and had fun. There was lots of laughing and cheering, everyone kept moving - no-one stopped before they had finished their mile.

Miss Hobbs was really pleased with all the children and feels very encouraged to continue with her own training for the London Marathon next April.

Could we please ask that all sponsor money be in by Friday 9 October and a prize will be given to the child who has collected the most.



Dates for your diary

Tuesday 6 October – Y6 to Hever Castle

Tuesday 13 October – Cross Country Event

Thursday 15 October – Harvest Festival

Tuesday 20 October – Individual and Family Photos

Tuesday 10 November – Parents Consultation

Wednesday 11 November – Parents Consultation

Friday 4 December – Christmas Fair



Payments online

You can pay online for dinners, uniforms, trips, swimming and breakfast club. To use this facility please go to www.schoolgateway.com. In order to pay online you must use the same email address and mobile phone number that is stored in the school database. When you first register you will be sent a PIN number by a text message to your phone.



Uniform

There are some price changes for school uniform. A new price list is available from the school office.

Christmas Fair on Friday 4 December – if you are happy to have a board outside your home to promote the Christmas Fair, please contact the school office.

School Clubs:

School clubs have started - if your child no longer wishes to participate, please let the school office know. We do have a waiting list for some clubs.

Tuesday - Boxing Club (3.30-4.30)

Wednesday - Creative Club (3.20-4.20)

- Homework Club (3.20-4.15)

Thursday - Boxing Club (3.30 -4.30)



Nits/Headlice

A leaflet 'Every Week Take a Peek' has been sent home with your children.

We would just like to thank you for continuing to go through your child's hair on a regular basis.

Unfortunately headlice are constantly going from head to head unless everybody is doing their part with regular family checks.

Letters home: Please note that we will be putting a copy of all letters sent home on the school web site and sending out via email. Please let us know of any changes to email addresses or contact numbers.