



Longhoughton C of E Primary School
November 2023
Newsletter

Wow I can't believe that we have completed one half term and now we are back for Autumn 2! Since September we have been very busy – below is an update of some of the things we have been doing and information about things to come before Christmas.

Charity Work

Thank you so much for all the generous donations for the different charitable events we have taken part in



- Harvest Collection for Self Help Africa - £144.31 (including £18.90 Gift Aid)
- Jeans for Genes - £87.50
- Alnwick District Food Bank – once again we supported the Food Bank well with all your donations

- **Children in Need** – we will be taking part in Children in Need again on Friday 17th November – the children can dress up in something Pudsey based or spots. And it would be great if they could bring a donation (from their pocket money) that will go to Children in Need.

Instead of a donation (or as well as) the children can bring in spare copper coins (1ps & 2ps) and we are going to see how many A3 Pudsey silhouette faces we can cover.

Act of Remembrance



We will be beholding our Act of Remembrance on Friday 10th November at 11am – if you would like to join us then please come along. Fingers crossed we can hold the short service outside; if not we will be in the hall.

PFA

Thank you to everyone who helped with the PFA Halloween Disco – it was a great success and the children really seemed to enjoy themselves. Once refreshments, sweets and prizes had been bought the PFA made £80 profit.

Worship

During Autumn 1 we held 2 lovely Class Worship led by St Andrew and St David classes each followed by their exhibitions on WWII and Extreme Earth. There were some very imaginative and amazing projects – well done to everyone.

We will be holding 2 more Class Worship this half term:
St Patrick Class – Wednesday 15th November
St George Class – Wednesday 22nd November

Each class will take their turn in leading worship for the school, sharing learning from their lessons or telling a story with a meaning. Parents, with children in the class leading the worship, will be invited to come in and join that worship in the school hall; 9:15 – 9:30am.

Parent Governor

A huge thank you to Andrew Stewart who has been a Parent Governor since March 2022, unfortunately due to work commitments Andrew is stepping down from the Governing Body. Therefore, we have vacancy on the Governing Body – a letter and nomination form has been sent out this week. If you would like any more information please contact the school office.

School Games Competition

Each half term the children take part in PE competitions, collecting points for their team on the day of the competition and also for their castle and these points build towards the winning castle across the year.

Following the Autumn 1 Newcastle United Foundation competitions and a cricket competition for St Andrew Class the current points are:

Alnwick 29 points	Bamburgh 29 points	Dunstanburgh 29 points	Warkworth 31 points
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Christmas Performances

We are delighted to say that once again, we are going to perform a whole school Christmas production, this year it is called 'It's A Miracle!'



All children will take an active part in the performance with St Andrew Class taking on the lead parts.

Performance dates:

Afternoon performance – Tuesday 19th December – 2pm (**Adults only**)

Morning performance – Wednesday 20th December – 9:30am (**Adults & pre-school children**)

Evening performance – Wednesday 20th December – 6pm (**Adults only**)

As in previous years, we will be charging £1 a ticket to cover the cost of copyright and photocopying fees.

Further details for ordering tickets will follow at a later date.



Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 13th December

Mrs Hinson and Miss Dodds will be serving Christmas Lunch on **Wednesday 13th December**. This will be need to be pre-ordered, more information will follow. The cost will be £2.30 for Key Stage 2 children.

RAF Boulmer will once again be organising the Christmas Party for us – more information to follow

School website

Please keep visiting the school website – now that we are able to take part in more events we are adding to the [News](#) sections with photographs and information.

Dates for the diary:

Friday 10 th November	Act of Remembrance; 10:55 start
Wednesday 15 th November	St Patrick's Class Worship in the school hall; 9:15 – 9:30
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need
Wednesday 22 nd November	St George's Class Worship in the school hall; 9:15 – 9:30
Tuesday 5 th December	Advent Service in church
Wednesday 13 th December	Christmas lunch
Tuesday 19 th December	Afternoon performance; 2pm (adults only)
Wednesday 20 th December	Morning performance; 9:30am (adults and pre-school children) Evening performance; 6pm (adults only)
Thursday 21 st December	Christmas Service in church (TBC)
Friday 22 nd December	School closes, 3:15pm.
Monday 8 th January 2023	School re-opens

This newsletter can also be read on the school website –
<http://www.longhoughton.northumberland.sch.uk/website/newsletters/103877>