

MONDAY NOTE

LONG TOWER PRIMARY SCHOOL

EARLY CLOSURE FOR STAFF TRAINING

The school will close on **Thursday 21st November at 2pm**, to allow for staff training. All children will go home at 2pm.

NOTICES

Ms Mc Glinchey's P6 class will have their assembly at 9.30am in the assembly hall on Friday 22nd November.

TWITTER

Each Key Stage within Long Tower now has a specific Twitter page. On these pages, class work and activities will be shared with our followers. This is a fantastic way of catching a glimpse of your child's day at school. We would encourage our parents to follow these accounts to raise awareness of activities within school which can be discussed with your child.

- Foundation Stage (Nursery, P1, P2): @LongTowerFS
- Key Stage 1 (P3, P4) @LongTowerKS1
- Key Stage 2 (P5 P7): @LongTowerKS2

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

All clubs will finish for Christmas on Thursday 5th December. The Nursery club will finish on Wednesday 11th December.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Christmas dinner will take place on Thursday 5th December 2019.

CHRISTMAS NATIVITY SHOWS

- The Nursery Christmas Nativity show will be held on **Tuesday 17 December** at 10 am.
- Primary 1-3 Christmas Nativity takes place on Tuesday 10th December at 1.30 pm and Wednesday 11th December at 1.30 pm.

CHRISTMAS CRAFTS WORKSHOP

Christmas craft workshops will continue on Thursday 21st November from 9.15 until 11 O'clock, in the Meeting Room. The cost is £2 per week and this covers materials.

If interested, please give your name to Mrs Hutchison. All are welcome.

OPEN AFTERNOON

We will hold our Open day to showcase our school on Wednesday 4th December from 2.30pm to 5.30pm. All are welcome. Please encourage any of your friends or family who have children ready to start Nursery or Primary One to come along and see our school.

CHOIR

The choir will sing at the following venues in the run up to Christmas:

- Friday 6th December 10.30am at Foyleside for Children in Crossfire
- Tuesday 10th December at 10am at Quayside for Foyle Hospice.

Other dates will be confirmed. The Christmas Party for the choir is on Monday 16th December.

ATTENDANCE LEAGUE

The top three classes last week were:

- 1ST Miss McCaughey (P5)
- 2nd Ms Mc Glinchey (P6)
- 3rd Mrs Mc Crystal (P5)

The attendance league table will be published on Monday on our social media pages. Congratulations to **Dean McLaughlin** who won the Brunswick Moviebowl ticket. Remember you have to be in to win!

BE BRIGHT, BE SEEN

We strongly encourage children to wear bright and reflective clothing when out walking, cycling etc., as the darker mornings/nights come in. Teachers will be having discussions with pupils about the importance of being seen in the dark; children will have the opportunity to make posters on this topic and display them around the school. Teachers will discuss the benefits of wearing bright clothing, using reflectors and high vis vests etc.

PATHS

Wouldn't it be a wonderful world if everyone followed the Golden rule? Let's show the world how to do it by treating others the way we want to be treated.

PARENT DANCE CLASS

Following on from the success of our Halloween Dance session, Mr Carlin has been approached by several parent who have requested a dance class for parents. We hope to see many of our parents/ friends there.

IRISH LANGUAGE CLASSES

We are delighted to announce that P6 and P7 children will begin Irish Language classes on Friday, provided by Leargas Irish Language Programme 2019 – 2020.

UK MATHLETICS COMPETITION

This week, our school is taking part in a UK Mathletics competition in the hope of winning numeracy resources for our school. Children will complete Mathletics activities in class and we would encourage children to spend time on it as well at home. Pupils will receive prizes for completion of tasks and mastering skills.

If your child does not have access to Mathletics at home, they are able to use Mr Gallagher's from 8.30am each morning this week to complete activities set by your child's teacher.

FOYLE FOOD BANK AND OPERATION SNOWBALL

Foyle Food Bank and Operation Snowball have asked that donate non-perishable food for their annual Christmas hampers. Please leave donations at school office or give to class teacher. Any donation would be much appreciated.

RIGHT OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER

In November, we will discuss "Saying no to Bullying." The rights below are in our School Playground Charter. We want all our children to be happy and safe in school.

- Article 15 The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child: The right to make and have friends
- Article 31: The right to play and rest.
- Article 12: The right to have an opinion.
- Article 19: the right to be protected from being hurt.

PEANUT AND NUTFREE CLASSROOM

At present, we have children in the school who have nut allergies, therefore, it is vitally important that you do not send any food with your child to school that contains nuts. Nuts, peanuts or any products containing nuts or peanuts are NOT allowed in school.

NURSERY CHILDREN OF THE WEEK

LOCHLANN QUIGLEY, CHARLOTTE MC GINLEY AND CALLUM GILLESPIE

We congratulate Lochlann Quigley, Charlotte McGinley and Callum Gillespie for being great helpers at tidy up time. Well done Lochlann, Charlotte and Callum.

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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES OR REQUESTS, PLEASE FEEL FREE
TO SEND THESE INTO SCHOOLS IN A LETTER WITH YOUR
CHILD.