

MONDAY NOTE

LONG TOWER PRIMARY SCHOOL

LITERACY SKILLS

This Tuesday 26th November 2019, primary 4 pupils will visit the Central library. During the visit the children will learn literacy skills and participate in storytelling activities. This is a great opportunity for the children to become familiar with a local library and register their membership.

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 DRAW

Tickets are available for our Christmas draw. Prizes are displayed in the main school. If anyone has unwanted, unused gifts that you would like to recycle, all donations would be gratefully accepted. All money raised will go towards developing our Nurture room.

Draw will take place Wednesday 18th December.

NOTICES

Miss Guy's P2 class will have their assembly on Kindness at 9.30am in the assembly hall on Friday 29nd November.

Wednesday 27th November, P7 boys will go to St Josephs for Minecraft.

Friday 29th November, P7 girls will visit St Cecilia's for a Christmas workshop.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Christmas dinner will be 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 Guy (P2)
- 2nd Miss Bowe (P4)
- 3rd Miss Doherty (P7)

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

SCHOOL CLOSURES

The school will be closed on the following dates:

- Monday 2nd December for staff development day
- Thursday 12th December for Westminster elections
- Friday 20th December at 12.15 for Christmas holidays

PATHS

Treat others the way you want to be treated.

The golden rule helps us to choose to do the right thing. Putting yourself in another person's place before taking any action towards them helps you choose to do the right thing.

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.

PTA MEETING

Our Parents Association will hold their next meeting on Tuesday 26th November 2019 at 2pm in the meeting room. We are always looking for new parents to attend. Everyone is very welcome.

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.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

On Wednesday 4th December, nursery children will have breakfast with Santa. Children can come to school in their pajamas. We will continue with our Big Book Read and we will have Christmas story telling. Nursery parents are invited to the meeting room at 9.15am, where we will be looking at our next GRTL session, Education Works in Preschool, followed by breakfast with Santa in the nursery.

LIBRARY VISIT FOR NURSERY CHILDREN

On Friday 6th December at 9.30, nursery children will visit the library for Christmas story telling. This will be followed by a visit to Foyleside to see Christmas decorations. Parents are welcome to come along.

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

DANANN MC FADDEN, FARRAH DALY AND ADAM MCALLISTER

We congratulate Danann McFadden, Farrah Daly and Adam McAllister for being kind and great helpers at tidy up time. Well done Danann, Farrah and Adam

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

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