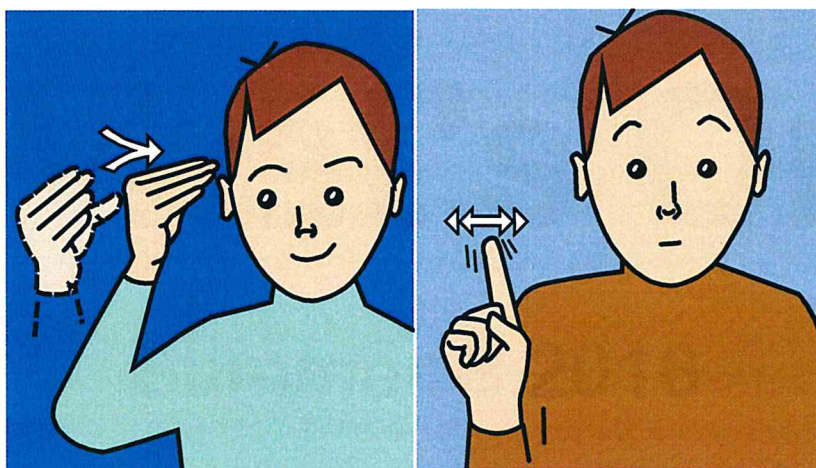


Longwill

a primary school for Deaf children

What's On

Summer B 2016



Welcome back!

We hope you have all enjoyed the half term break and that the children are looking forward to having lots of fun with their learning over the next few weeks!

This term our topic is 'Traditional Tales'. We will be sharing stories such as 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. We will have lots of fun dressing up as the characters and role-playing what happens in the story. We will learn repeated phrases in the stories to use in our role play and we will think about the order of the main events- What happened first? What happened next?

In maths we will continue to develop the children's knowledge of number through songs, stories and practical activities. In particular we will be focusing on the children being able to count groups of objects using 1 to 1 correspondence. We will also continue to develop the children's knowledge of shape and colour and we will use this knowledge to make our own repeating patterns.

In order to encourage the children to develop their communication skills we will be carrying on with Wonderful Wednesday's show and tell session. A letter will be sent out to confirm the topics for each session but we will start with talking about what we did in the holidays and sharing any holiday photographs on the children's PSPs.

P.E. will take place on a Wednesday morning and we are very lucky to have Adam, the Sports coach, continuing to work with us. We will also continue to have dance on a Friday morning and gardening with Hannah every Monday. Nursery will also be going on a trip to 'The Mad Hatter's Tea Party' towards the end of the term, which should be lots of fun!

As we move into the summer please can we ask you to send in a hat and suncream for your child to use during outdoor activities.

Thank you in advance for all your support and we look forward to working with you!

The Nursery Team

Welcome back to our final term of your child's Year 1 experience. We are looking English

To write simple sentences using English word order. To remember to use capital and lower case letters when writing sentences.

Science

We will be investigating the way we use grow and use our plants. Your son/daughter will be investigating different types of living things and labelling plants using scientific vocabulary like— stem, roots, petal, leaf.

We will also be learning the names of all the seasons. We will be learning the different months of the year. We will be identifying the month of the year we were born in and the season that falls into. Your son/daughter will be investigating importance of seasons to farmers.

Maths

We will be revising our knowledge of time, using O'clock and half-past. Some of our pupils will be studying different times in our day and the routines we have in place.

We will be practising our counting to 100 and counting on from a given number. Your child will begin to understand and use the term double or half e.g double 3, half 6, or half past. We will be learning to recognise coins and know that a 10p coin is worth 10 1p pieces. Some of our pupils will be looking at understanding one and lots and concepts such as; big and small.

History

We will be looking at significant people in History, we will be focusing on Christopher Columbus and linking this in with our Science on plants and compass directions in Geography

PSHE

The mobile dental clinic is onsite from 6th -10th June and we will be looking at how we can have healthy teeth and gums. We will also be looking at being a good citizen. In DT we will be making a healthy sandwich.

RE

We will be learning about being good neighbours and being a positive person in the community. We will be looking at the story-The Good Samaritan. It will teach us how to respect all people even if they are different.

Home-learning opportunities- While in the garden or at the park you can talk to your child about all the different types of living things around us. How many different plant leaves can you find? Use sellotape to make a bracelet and stick lots of very interesting petals or leaves on your sellotape bracelet.

This half term we will be changing our theme to '**Carnival**'.

In Geography, we will be looking at Rio de Janeiro and making comparisons with our own city; looking at how the rainforest contributes to life there and where Rio de Janeiro is on the map. We are very excited because the Olympics will be held there in the Summer! We will be looking at things that are alive or dead or never been alive in Science, as well as food chains and how habitats meet animals' living needs. In DT we will be looking at how to make levers and sliders, culminating in a moving picture of a carnival!

We are very much looking forward to our visit to Aston Hall on 21st June, seeing old artefacts and thinking about being able to distinguish between items from the past and items that we find around us today. This ties in well with our trip to Back to Backs and will open our eyes more to what life was like in the Seventeenth Century.

In computing, we will be creating factfiles of Rio and looking at how to save, edit and print out our work.

Photographs and videos from home on the PSP will help pupils to share and discuss their weekend news.

PE continues to be on Tuesdays and children will need shorts, t-shirt and pumps. Swimming is on Thursdays and children will need a swimming costume/trunks and a towel. There will also be weekly sessions of dance on a Friday.

Home learning will be given out on Fridays and needs to be returned to school on Wednesdays. We hope that you will support your child with these tasks each week. Please share and discuss stories with your child and hear them read regularly.

We look forward to all our exciting learning this year!



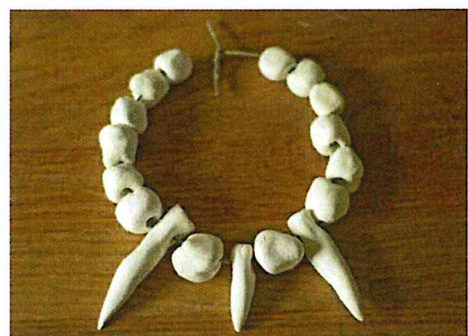
Our learning journey will continue to look at Stone age but will begin to make contrasts with the Iron age. We will have our trip to Sarehole Mill to excite the children, give them opportunities to handle artefacts and experience what it might have been like in the Stone Age. We will make links with DT by making jewellery and we will improve our drawing techniques by sketching pictures showing our learning. We will make links to Geography by looking at where people chose to settle and look at how they used the land from hunter gather to farmer.

We will also be learning about the water cycle, rivers and mountains. Learning new vocabulary and practising map reading skills whilst using an atlas to find famous rivers.

All pupils will be producing Art work, which will go towards achieving a recognised award. It will involve learning about an artist, experiencing different forms of art and then presenting their own art to an audience during assembly time.

It is nearly time for sports day, children will be practising their athletic skills ready for the big day. Our sports coach will be helping them prepare- looking at how to run faster, jump higher and throw further. As always please ensure P.E. clothes (t-shirt and shorts) are named and in school for Tuesdays and Fridays. Swimming will continue to be every Thursday, so please send in a named towel and swimsuit, in a bag.

Our new Science topic will be plants. This will fit nicely with the work the children do with Hannah the gardener. They will learn about the parts of a plant and the life cycle. Using the school environment they will look for changes which have occurred across the seasons. This will also link to PSHE as they continue to think about our environment and how to respect and protect it.



Welcome back! We hope that you had a lovely half term break. The children will begin the term with two Design and Technology weeks which will see them developing their design and make and evaluating skills. The first week will be based on creating an ancient artefact and the second will be about creating a healthy alternative to sweets as part of our 'Healthy Eating week'.

The children will then start a new Learning Journey based on water. They will be thinking about different sources of water and its uses. They will be learning the names of different oceans, rivers and lakes. The children will develop an understanding that water has three different states of matter. In Science they will be investigating cooling and heating water and becoming more secure in their understanding of solids, liquids and gases.

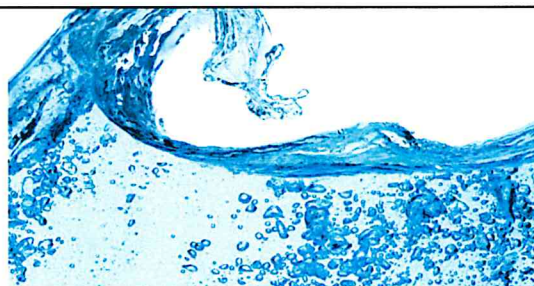
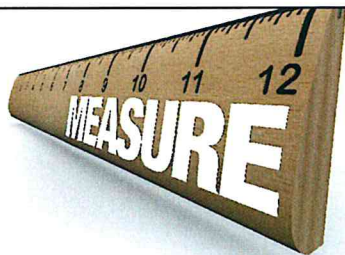
In English the children will be learning about information texts to make sure that their learning links with the Learning Journey. They will become more confident with the features of an information text and begin to write their own based on water. They will also briefly look at persuasion posters and create their own regarding how to use water efficiently. In Maths we will start looking measures – length, mass and capacity. We will also be continuing to learn our timetables in Snappy Maths to ensure the children are more fluent. In PE the children will be being taught by Adam, our deaf BID partner, and they will be improving their athletics skills reading for Sports Day on 13th July. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school every Wednesday.

In Year 4 the children will be given a piece of English and Maths home learning each week in their home learning books. This will be given out on a Friday and is expected in the following Wednesday or before. The children will also have spellings every Wednesday. Please encourage your child to read everyday at home.

. If you would like to support your child's learning further at home please use the following websites:

www.mathletics.co.uk

<http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/revision/science/changingmaterials.htm>



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The children will also be continuing their Learning Journey on The Victorians. They will be studying Victorian portraits to see what messages are portrayed in them and they will have a go at posing for their own portraits with costumes and props to allow others to 'read' the secret message. The children will also be learning about what life was like for different children in the Victorian ages, especially for those who did not go to school. They will research what life was like in the coal mines and sweeping the streets. They will then dress up and act out how they felt about their life before being questioned by peers! It is a really exciting opportunity for the children to 'live' history.

In English the children will be learning about shape poems initially so that they can present their work about their healthy eating. They will become more confident with the features of a shape poem. They will also look at the features of diaries so that they can write a diary of their day as a Victorian child. In Maths we will start looking data handling to collect and present information. We will also be continuing to learn our timetables to ensure the children are more fluent. In PE the children will be going to Bartley Green each Monday to learn sailing and canoeing skills.

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http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/victorian_britain/



MATHLETICS

Our final half term has arrived! We hope that these last few weeks are really happy ones and we can finish our time at Longwill School in the best possible way, ready to face the next exciting stage in life.

With this in mind, our focus in all our learning is going to be 'Fit for the Future'. The word 'fit' can be understood in many different ways but, for us, we shall be using the word to mean 'healthy' and also 'ready'. So, in Science we shall be learning about our heart and how it works in connection with the blood system and also about how exercise, diet and drugs impact upon our bodies and our health. In the first week of the half term, we will have a team called Medical Mavericks working with us with all sorts of exciting equipment to show us different ways of looking at and finding out about our bodies, linked to the sorts of jobs our young people could be doing in the future. Our Learning Journey will involve a study of how medicine has changed throughout history from the Ancient Egyptians through times of important discoveries to the present day. The second week of the half term has been designated Healthy Eating Week across the school and our learning will be very much linked to this during that week. In our PSHE lessons we are considering the physical and emotional changes that happen to our bodies as we grow up from being children to become adults. In RE we shall have the opportunity to reflect on the importance of being ready to learn new things and to being open and honest in our behaviour, all of which will help us enormously whatever stage of life we are at.

Swimming carries on as usual on Thursdays and we are also really fortunate to be able to spend every Monday afternoon learning new skills like sailing and kayaking at Bartley Reservoir.

On Thursday 30th June Y6 have the opportunity to spend one day in their new secondary school and we hope this will be a really exciting and enjoyable day for all our pupils. During this week, we shall also spend one morning at Northfield Sainsbury's finding out about the range of jobs that are available there and how food is kept fresh and healthy for the customers.

Finally, we look forward to the assembly when Y6 present something about what Longwill School has meant to them. Our hope is that they really will be ready for and excited about their futures after Longwill.