



# Newsletter

Friday 13th March 2026

Success for all - Nothing Less!

## Headteacher's Message

As we move further into the term, I want to take a moment to celebrate one of our core school values: Determination. This value sits at the heart of everything we do, and it has been wonderful to see our pupils showing such resilience, commitment, and positivity in their learning. Determination isn't just about working hard in lessons—it's also about showing up each day ready to learn, grow and contribute to our school community.

This is why our 25-Day Attendance Challenge is so important. By aiming for excellent attendance, pupils demonstrate the determination that helps them succeed both academically and personally. Every single day in school matters. Being present means pupils access full learning sequences, build strong relationships, and develop essential skills that cannot be replicated at home. Even a few days of absence can disrupt progress and make it harder for children to stay confident and connected.

We know that good attendance is a team effort, and we are grateful for your ongoing support in helping your child arrive each day on time, ready to learn. Together, let's continue showing determination and make every school day count.

Thank you for your continued partnership. 🌟



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## Stay Connected - Updated Email Addresses Needed



To help us keep families fully informed, it's important that we have your most up-to-date email address on record. We use email to share key information, newsletters, event reminders, and important notices throughout the school year. If you have recently changed your email—or if you're not receiving messages from us—please contact the school office so we can update your details. Keeping our records current ensures you never miss important updates. Thank you for your support in helping us stay connected.

## Bike Safety - Helmets Required

We love seeing pupils choosing to ride their bikes to school – it's a healthy, eco-friendly way to travel that helps build confidence and independence. However, we want to remind all families that helmets must be worn when cycling. Wearing a helmet greatly reduces the risk of injury and helps keep everyone safe on their journey to and from school. Please ensure your child's helmet fits properly and is securely fastened before they set off. Thank you for helping us promote safe cycling habits.



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## Maths Hub Collaboration - Curriculum Development

We were very pleased to welcome colleagues from the Maths Hub into school this week as part of our ongoing work to strengthen the Maths curriculum. They worked closely with staff to deepen conceptual understanding, enhance reasoning skills, and ensure high-quality mathematical learning for every child. The collaborative sessions were practical, purposeful, and aligned with our whole-school priorities. We look forward to seeing the positive impact of this partnership in classrooms across the school.



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## School Council - Visit from Mr Hawthorthwaite

Our School Council enjoyed a fantastic visit from Mr Hawthorthwaite this week, who joined them to help run their latest meeting. The pupils discussed ideas for improving school life, sharing thoughtful suggestions and demonstrating real maturity. With his support, they began shaping an action plan for the term, focusing on student voice and community involvement. We are extremely proud of our young leaders for their enthusiasm and commitment, and we can't wait to see their ideas come to life.

## English Curriculum Development

This week, we were delighted to welcome Dawn, our English Consultant, who spent the day working with staff to further develop our approach to oracy across the school. Dawn supported teachers in exploring strategies that help pupils express themselves clearly, listen actively, and engage confidently in discussion. Her expertise and practical guidance were hugely valuable, leaving staff inspired to embed these techniques into daily classroom practice. We're excited to continue strengthening our oracy provision to support every learner's voice.

## Cross Country

Well done to all the pupils who took part in Monday night's Cross Country event! The determination, enthusiasm, and team spirit on display were fantastic. Whether pupils were racing for personal bests or cheering on friends from the sidelines, they represented our school wonderfully. A huge thank-you to families who came to support—we truly appreciate it. We are incredibly proud of every runner and look forward to building on this momentum at the next event.





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## Easter Egg Competition

**LONGSHAW JUNIOR SCHOOL**  
**EASTER EGG**  
**FAMILY COMPETITION**

**GET CREATIVE WITH YOUR FAMILY!**  
Design, decorate and dazzle us with your **egg-straordinary Easter creation!**  
This is a **FAMILY COMPETITION**, so everyone at home can join in the fun!

**\* COMPETITION RULES \***

- Your design **MUST INCLUDE** at least **ONE BOILED EGG**
- The base must be **NO BIGGER THAN A4**
- Please clearly label with **CHILD'S NAME & CLASS**

**\* IMPORTANT DATES \***

- Entries can be brought in from: **Monday 23rd March**
- Judging will take place: **After School - Wednesday 25th March**

**LET YOUR IMAGINATION RUN WILD!**  
Superheroes, animals, story characters, spring scenes — we can't wait to see your amazing creations!

**GOOD LUCK EVERYONE!**



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## After School Clubs



Judo Club - All  
Years Tuesday



Art Club Tuesday



Year 6 Netball  
- Thursday

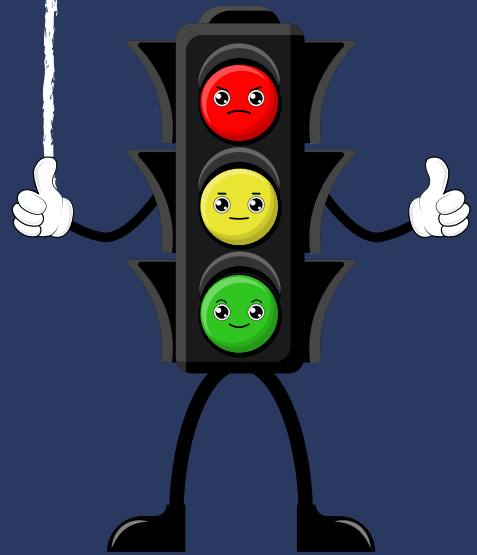


Year 6  
Gymnastics -  
Wednesday

## Behaviour

This week, we are 97.6% Green  
This week, 4R, 5AP, 5P and Year 6 are 100% Green.

Well done, everybody.



## Attendance



Remember our school target for attendance is 95%+.



Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance
3P	97.7	5P	94.8
3W	96.5	5AP	93.2
3T	94.5	5BC	96.1
4A	100	6A	93.0
4L	97.9	6M	91.7
4R	96.3	6P	99.3

This week's attendance is 95.9%