



Longhoughton C of E Primary School
September 2020 Newsletter

We are all getting settled into the new routines of the new school year – it is lovely to have all the children back into school.

School meals and snacks

Please remember that all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are still entitled to free school lunches. Mrs Hinson, our school cook, serves a hot main course and pudding every day. The 3 week menu can be downloaded from the school website.

If your child has a food allergy (not that they just don't like something!) please can you let the office know so that Mrs Hinson can update her records for preparing food. Please can you also let us know what the specific medical condition is.

Free fruit is available for children in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2. Children are permitted to bring a snack to school for playtime. This is restricted to a cereal bar, a plain biscuit or fruit. Please no sweets, crisps or chocolate.

Please can you make sure that your child has a named water bottle in school so they can keep hydrated throughout the day. We will send these home on Fridays to be washed



Just to make you aware we have children in school who have **nut allergies**. Please can I ask everyone to be very vigilant about the content of the children's lunch boxes and snacks. Please **do not** send any food or drink items, into school, that clearly contain any type of nut or that you think may contain any type of nut.

Some examples of these foods are:

- Peanut butter
- All chocolate spreads
- Nutty whole grain breads
- All kinder chocolate i.e. Hippos
- **Some** cereal bars

We appreciate that this may be problematic for people but we do need to look after the health and safety of these pupils.

School Uniform and PE kits

As already stated in a previous newsletter - Please can children wear their PE kit on their PE days. Please make sure that the children will have enough layers in case PE lessons are outside (shorts/joggers, t-shirt, hoodie/sweatshirt & trainers) If children have their ears pierced it is best that they do not wear their earrings on PE days.

Monday – all classes (NUFC coach)

Tuesday – St Andrew Class (Y5 & Y6) – Cricket

Wednesday – St George Class (Nursery & Reception)

Friday – St Patrick Class (Y1 & Y2) and St David Class (Y3 & Y4)



Parent Information– at this time of year we would normally hold introductory parent sessions to outline specifics for each year group. Due to the current restrictions we have not held these this year, but hopefully all the information you need to know has been shared through class newsletters and information sheets that have been sent out. These can also be found on the school website.

Due to the current guidelines for schools we will not be holding Class Worship this half term.

Collecting children for appointments during the school day

If you need to collect your child for an appointment during the school day please report to the main school office and Mrs Creasey will sign your child out. You will then be directed to the class entrance your child uses for morning/afternoon drop off and Mrs Creasey will arrange for your child to meet you at this entrance.

Dress Down Fridays for Alnwick District Food Bank

Once again, we will be having Dress Down Fridays at the end of each half term. The children will be able to come to school in their own clothes and bring an item to be donated to the Alnwick District Food Bank.

Please remember items can include:

Tins - soup, vegetables, beans, fruit, custard etc.

Packets - cup a soup, biscuits, cooking sauces etc.

Toiletries - soap, bubble bath, shampoo etc.

The Food Bank has asked for **NO** sweets or chocolates.

Dress Down Friday dates for Alnwick District Food Bank:

Autumn 1 – Friday 23rd October

Autumn 2 – Friday 18th December

Spring 1 – Friday 12th February

Spring 2 – Friday 26th March

Summer 1 – Friday 28th May

Summer 2 – Friday 16th July



Parking

Please can I remind everyone to be considerate when parking near to school. Please do not park across driveways so that local residents can still leave or gain access to their homes or on the grass verges.

Bikes & Scooters

Please can I remind everyone that although children are allowed to ride bikes and scooters to school they **must not** ride them on the school premises as it is a very busy place at the start and end of the day.



This newsletter can also be read on the school website – www.longhoughton.northumberland.sch.uk – through the 'News & Events' link on the Home page