



19<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Dear Parents,

As this term draws to end, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who supports our school in such a variety of ways. We started the term with the FOLS Pet Show which was held on a lovely September afternoon and gave our new Reception parents a chance to meet other families and their animals! Other fundraising by the Friends of Longney School has included the Quiz and Curry evening, the 100 club and the Christmas Hamper. Please see below for how the money raised has been used to support all our pupils during their time at Longney.

Parents and friends have also generously supported our charity fundraising. Events have included donations for the Foodbank at our Harvest Festival - Children in Need - a non-uniform day and our Christmas Craft Fair for the children caught up in the crisis in Yemen which jointly raised £ 410.45 Many thanks for your generosity.

The last two weeks have been busy with all our Christmas activities. What a fantastic performance by our children at the Christmas concert and Nativity led by the enthusiastic iSingPop team. The Church was really rocking! We have all been to the pantomime in Cheltenham, sung carols around the campfire at our Forest School, made Christmas crafts, danced at the disco and had Christmas lunch. All this at the end of a long term during which our pupils have worked hard across the curriculum.

I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Pet Show: £524.61 profit - put towards the purchase of the new iboard for Swallow class.

100 club: £533 profit - used to buy four ipads, one for each class.

Quiz & supper evening £629 profit - whole school to go to the pantomime

Hot off the press...the Christmas hamper made £411 and this will be used to help pay for the repairs to the boat and equipment in the adventure playground.

### **BOOK FAIR AND LIBRARY**

Our book fair sales this year raised £348.00 in commission for the school. Thank you to everyone who bought books this year and helped man the book fair.

### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – Term 3 Club letter will be sent home on 3<sup>rd</sup> January**

Clubs for term 3 are as follows, starting Monday 8th January

Monday: Drama for Years 3 - 6 - £6 per session 3.10pm – 4.15pm

Tuesday: Year 5 and 6 Dance Club 3.10 – 4.00 pm Dance Festival 26<sup>th</sup> February

Wednesday: Y4/5 Netball Club 3.10pm – 4.00pm

Thursday: Year 4/5 & 6 Rugby club (Football boots, shin pads & long socks essential) 3.10pm- 4.00pm

Friday: Y5/6 Nature Club (existing members only) 3.10pm – 4.10pm

Year 6 netball will take place at lunchtime.

Chess Club – Friday lunchtime

Cross Country - Tuesday lunchtime

Yours sincerely

Penny Howard

Headteacher

**Dates for Spring Term 2018**

<b>Wednesday 3rd January</b>	Term starts – no clubs
Thursday 11th January	Swift to Forest School
Friday 12th January	Swim for Goldfinch class Swift Class to Young Voices
Thursday 18th January	Goldfinch to Forest School
	Year 5 and 6 Girls' 5 aside indoor football tournament GL1 2 – 4 pm
Friday 19th January	FOLS meeting 9.00 in the school hall
Monday 22nd January	Parents information evening – Curriculum expectations
Thursday 25th January	Skylark to Forest School
	Year 5 and 6 Boys' 5 aside indoor football tournament GL1 2 – 4 pm
Thursday 1st February	Swallow Class to Forest School
Monday 5th February	Parents Evening
Wednesday 7th February	Parents Evening
Thursday 8th February	Swift Class to Forest School
Friday 9th February	Last swim for Goldfinch Class Break up for half term
Monday 19th February	INSET DAY
Tuesday 20th February	Return to school
Thursday 22nd February	Goldfinch to Forest School
Friday 23rd February	1st swim for Skylark Class
Monday 26th February	Year 5 and 6 Dance Festival at Cheltenham Town Hall
Thursday 1st March	Swift to Forest School
Thursday 8th March	Skylark to Forest School
Thursday 15th March	Swallow to Forest School
Thursday 22nd March	Goldfinch to Forest School
Sunday 25th March	Eggmore!
Monday 26th – Thursday 29th March	Swift Class Residential trip
Thursday 29th March	Break up for Easter Holiday