



## Long Wittenham C.E. Primary School



*Show our love through kindness, determination and curiosity; strengthening ourselves and our community*

**Please remember we are a nut free school**



### **The Summer Fayre – A Huge Success!**

The summer fayre, held as a joint event with the pre-school, was a tremendous success! It brought our community together in a wonderful celebration and raised nearly £1,000 for each organisation. A big thank you to everyone who attended, volunteered, and supported the event – we couldn't have done it without you!

### **Penguins Class Residential at PGL Liddington**

Last week, Penguins Class enjoyed an exciting residential trip to PGL Liddington. The children took part in a wide range of challenging activities including abseiling, the vertical challenge, orienteering, a giant swing, and some survival techniques and problem-solving tasks. They showed great resilience, teamwork, and determination throughout, and we were incredibly proud of each and every one of them.



### **Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park**

On Monday, the whole school enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Cotswold Wildlife Park. The weather was perfect, and the children had a wonderful time exploring the park and observing the wide range of animals.

Penguins Class took part in a fascinating workshop about how animals adapt to their habitats, while Eagles Class learnt all about predators and prey. Meanwhile, the younger children especially enjoyed a fun train ride around the park.

### Year 6 Diocesan Leavers' Service at Christ Church Cathedral

Year 6 visited Christ Church Cathedral this week to take part in the Diocesan Leavers' Service. It was a wonderful opportunity to spend time in such a historic and beautiful setting, and to reflect on their journey through primary school. During the service, the children were encouraged to think about the importance of three simple but powerful words in any language: *thank you*, *sorry*, and *please*.



### Visit from The Happy Puzzle Company

Today, the whole school enjoyed an exciting visit from The Happy Puzzle Company. Each class took part in a workshop that challenged their teamwork, communication, and problem-solving skills. It was wonderful to see the children so engaged and working together with such enthusiasm. A big thank you to the PTA for funding this fantastic opportunity.

### Transition Days and New Beginnings

On Monday and Tuesday, the children moving on to our RET secondary schools took part in their transition days, helping them prepare for the exciting journey ahead. Meanwhile, the children moving on to Wallingford School also had a great time exploring their new school last week. We're proud of how well all our pupils are preparing for their next chapters.

On Thursday morning, all our pupils enjoyed exploring their new classes for September, and it was lovely to see their enthusiasm for the year to come. We were also delighted to welcome our new Reception children for their first independent session in school – a big step and a wonderful start!

### Summer Celebrations

After school today, all the children were invited to the end of year summer celebrations, hosted by our fantastic PTA. So much fun was had playing on a selection of bouncy castles, followed by a cooling down with water, with plenty of snacks and refreshments available. Another big thank you to the PTA for hosting and funding this fun event, and thank you to all the parents who volunteered to help.



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## Swimming Medals

A big well done to Florence, Toby, and Thea for swimming an impressive distance and earning their swimming medals!



Summer Term 2025	
Sports Day	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 10:15am
Eagles & Penguins Performance	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July – 2:15pm & 6:00pm
Parent Power Day	Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 10am onwards
Leavers Service	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 12:30pm
Term Ends	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July at 1:30pm

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# Story Garden

Adventures in Fiction and the Great Outdoors

## Summer Reading Challenge Events at Abingdon Library

**Saturday 19 July 10-11am**

Story time and colouring activity with author Denise Beaumont, creator of Alice the Palace Postwoman. Age 3-8+.

**Thursday 24 July 11.30-12.30pm**

Explore Learning workshop with Summer Reading Challenge theme.

**Tuesday 29 July 10.30-11.30am**

Story time with author Sue Palmer who will be reading from her next book The Shell Secret and sharing some of the things she's learned about strange-looking sea creatures. Age 7-12.

**Tuesday 5 August 10.30-11.30am**

Space event with author Sue Palmer. Interested in space exploration? Join Sue as she reads from her May's Moon Series. Age 7-12.

**Friday 8 August 10am-1pm**

Meet the Guide Dogs session. Come and meet local guide dogs for lots of activities and fun! Suitable for all ages. No booking needed.

**Friday 15 August 10-12pm**

Ozobot event. Program little robots to go through a garden maze. 30 minute sessions. Age 7+.

**Wednesday 27 August 11.30-12.30pm**

Explore Learning workshop with Summer Reading Challenge theme.

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