



## Long Sutton County Primary School

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

Welcome back to the start of a new school year! It has been fantastic to welcome back those children who are returning in their new year group as well as welcoming our new starters both in reception and in other year groups across the school. I hope everyone has had a lovely summer and enjoyed time with family and friends. It is now exciting to be back at school and looking forward to another year of learning and enjoying new adventures!



Many thanks to all our families who have supported with ensuring the children are in the correct school uniform – they look very smart and ready to learn. A huge thank you as well to everyone who has already supported their child with homework – in particular Times Table Rockstars or Numbots and home reading. Little and often makes such a huge difference with reading and times tables and your support at home is very much appreciated.

### **The Friends Library**



We are delighted that this has been installed over the summer holidays. The library is now a wonderful space to inspire reading at the heart of our school. Mr Whiting is very busy adding some beautiful murals to the library and Mrs Shelley is making sure the books are catalogued and displayed across the new shelves. We are looking forward to sharing the library with you and remain incredibly grateful for all your support for the Friends and the library. The library has been named 'The Friends Library' to

acknowledge the huge role the Friends and our community have played in providing this wonderful resource for all our children.

### **Parent Talks**

There are a series of parent talks taking place this term. These include phonics talks for Reception, Y1 and some Y2 parents. There is also a multiplication talk for parents of Y3 and Y4 children. Both phonics and times tables are crucial for children in the primary curriculum and we strongly encourage you to come along to find out more about the statutory





testing which will take place for Y1 (some Y2) and Y4 in the summer term. If you are unable to make the meeting, please do speak to your child's class teacher at the end of the day and they will be able to pass on any information from the sessions.

### Diary Dates

Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Reception parents Phonics talk 2.40 pm – Barn Owls classroom
	Multiplication Check – talk for parents of Y3 and Y4 3.30pm – Kingfishers classroom
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Reception parents Phonics talk 2.40 pm – The Studio
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Phonics Screening Check talk for parents of Year 1 and children taking Year 2 rescreens 3.30 pm (Skylarks class)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival – families welcome  Reception and KS1 9.00 am – school hall (2 adults maximum per child please)  KS2 – 1.45 pm – St Mary's Church – families welcome
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening 3.30-6.30pm
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parents Evening 3.30-5.30pm
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Last day of term 1
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	First day of term 2
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Open Morning for Reception parents 2026 9.30-11.30
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Open Evening for Reception parents 2026 5.30-6.30
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School Pantomime
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of Term 2
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Open Afternoon for Reception parents 2026 1.30-2.30