

Pegswood Primary School News

<http://www.pegswood.northumberland.sch.uk/website>

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Welcome back to school! I hope you all had a great summer break. The children have come back into school very enthusiastically and we have had a fantastic first week. They seem very settled already in their new classes. A special welcome to all our new starters and their families.

Thank you for adapting to our new system for dropping children off in the morning and collecting at night. I hope that before the year is out we can revert back to a two entrance and exit to alleviate the traffic. Thank you also for adapting to our new start and finish times.

After the very sad death yesterday of Queen Elizabeth II, we have had an assembly this morning and class teachers have included the news in their work today. The children have had chances to ask any questions. I did explain to the children that the death of a reigning monarch is as new to the adults as it is to the children. All of us at school have never known another monarch. We will continue to monitor information from the Department for Education for any news that might affect schools during the official mourning period.

Ofsted

As many of you will be aware, we had our Ofsted inspection in late June. Unfortunately, the report was not published before the summer holidays and it arrived via email this week. A copy of the report will be attached along with the newsletter. This report can also be found on our website and very shortly, it will appear on the Ofsted website, with a link from our website taking you there. We are extremely proud of the report and that we have remained as a 'Good' school. Of the two targets that we have been given, one was already being worked on before Ofsted visited us and the second is work in progress.

School dinners

If you have yet to sign up to School Grid to order and pay for your child's school dinners by card or direct debit, please follow the link in order to do so. All other dinner money should be cash to our school office. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 do not need to pay for their meals as they fall into the Universal Free School Meals. Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will need to pay for their school meal, unless they are in receipt of Free School Meals. If you feel that your circumstances have changed over the summer and that your child may qualify for Free School Meals, please ask Miss Kennedy.



who will be able to assist you. The school dinner price remains at £2.40 a day.

<https://app.schoolgrid.co.uk>

Cool milk

If you would like your child to have milk in school, you will need to order it through Cool Milk – the link is on our website and below. The only exceptions to this are if your child is under 5 or your child is in receipt of Free School Meals. You cannot order milk through school.

<https://www.coolmilk.com/>

Reading Newsletters

The reading newsletter will be every two weeks, with the first one planned for next week.

Longhirst Logo Competition

We have been asked by Rev. John to assist Longhirst Parish to design a logo for them. This is the information we have received:

“Longhirst Parish is looking for a logo which could be used by a number of different organisations within the parish, such as Longhirst Parish Council, Longhirst Village Hall Committee, St John’s Church Council and the newly formed Longhirst Wildlife and Community Trust. It should be a simple line drawing in black and white or a simple colour.

As well as Longhirst residents of all ages, Pegswood Primary School pupils are also invited to send in designs. There will be a £50 prize for the winning entry. Please send in entries to Mr Peter Coates by 15th October. For more information please contact Peter on 01670 791088 or by email on pandccoates@gmail.com”.

