

## WEEKLY 'HEAD'-LINES

Dear Parents and Carers,

This has been a week full of sporting activities. It's been nice to see other schools within Marches Academy Trust coming together and taking part in the Varsity Competitions we've held here at Longlands Primary School.

Our Year 6 pupils recently completed their Bikeability Level 2 Awards. They were all successful and we had some lovely feedback from the instructors who commented, "The children were well behaved, listened and all improved throughout the course. They were always on time and dressed appropriately for the weather. They were a credit to the school."

We were lucky enough to welcome story-teller Jake Evans back to Longlands this week. He worked with all classes telling stories about voyages, and helping them create some really imaginative pieces of writing.

We are looking forward to welcoming author, Andrew Cope, into school on 12th February. Andrew will be selling signed copies of his book, Spy Dogs books for £5. A flyer will be sent home which will include your order form to hand to class teachers or staff in the office.

Just a reminder about anybody needing advice: our family support worker can help with any worries you may have, and although she may not have a magic wand, she can usually find a solution. Her role in school is to signpost to other services, assist in support with school and other agency meetings and give advice and support in promoting positive behaviour at home. If you think you would like some support, please contact the school office.

Mrs Zillah Cope  
Headteacher



## REMINDERS & NOTICES

### Community Support

If you feel you are unable to report a crime using your name, don't forget CrimeStoppers.

They are an independent charity that gives people the power to speak up to stop crime 100% anonymously.

<https://crimestoppers-uk.org/>

**CrimeStoppers.**  
Speak up. Stay safe.

### Trust Newsletter

The Marches Academy Trust Winter Newsletter has been published. If you have not had a chance to read it yet, the Newsletter highlights the Cross-Trust activities that students participate in and is available to view by [clicking here](#).

### Gymnastics Success

Well done to our Year 3 and Year 4 gymnastics squad who took part in the Market Drayton cluster competition this week at Longlands. We can proudly say we were crowned winners and now go through to the next stage.



### Read the Game Family Workshop

On Thursday we welcomed families into our school library for our Read the Game Workshop. Thank you to football clubs such as Aston Villa, Liverpool and Manchester City for supporting us.



We are excited to announce we have teamed up with Haxnicks.

We are thankful to Haxnicks for sponsoring our Social Farm tops. We will be working closely with them to produce gardening videos and gardening articles!

Willow Class enjoyed the winter sunshine as they planted bulbs and seeds as part of their Science topic about plants. The children learned about what seeds and bulbs are, what is needed for a plant to grow and they learned some gardening skills too. After their planting activity, Willow Class then enjoyed feeding the chickens.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.

- 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 2020 – Year 1 and 2 Gymnastics Competition
- 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2020 – Cross Country Level 2 competition
- WC 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2020 Creative Arts Fortnight
- 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 – Andrew Cope Author Visit

[Click here](#) to view our term dates.



## STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to this last week's award winners:

Fir – Austin Bonell  
Willow – Sienna Goodman  
Maple – Lily Morgan  
Rowan – McCauley Morris  
Elm – Lennon Holmes  
Beech – Levi Bloore  
Oak – Rory Jones

## NEWS

Check out this fabulous photo from our recent 'Read with Guinea Pigs Family Workshop', which took place in the School Library with Mrs Wellings!

We are also holding a 'Read with Chickens Workshop' on Wednesday 29th January and Wednesday 5th February, again 3:15pm – 3:45pm in Longlands School Library.



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