

LONGCROFT NEWS

Friday 16th September 2016

During the Holidays...

During the school holidays, a few members of staff remain working in school to prepare things for the new term. These include some members of the admin, IT and network, finances and site management teams. Over the summer, this latter team have worked alongside specialist contractors to make physical repairs and improvements to Longcroft's infrastructure. This summer an incredible amount of work was carried out – some might be obvious (e.g. decorating), but others might not – Longcroft is a big site and a lot of work goes on behind the scene to keep it going! In July and August the following work was carried out:

- The whole Maths Department was decorated and new light fitted, along with new carpets.
- All asbestos removed – Longcroft was built a time when this was regularly used in such developments. Although proving no danger if left alone, once moved it can become so, hence the importance of removing it whilst all students and most staff members were off site.
- Leaks fixed and hot water pipes re-lagged.
- Upper and Lower School kitchens renovated.
- All drain covers replaced.
- 9 classrooms moved – over the summer a number of teachers move from Lower to Upper School and this involves the relocation of many books, computers, etc.
- Pat-testing of electrical equipment.
- 18 football pitches marked out on the school field by the groundsmen.
- All windows cleaned in and out.

Thank you to Mrs Nichols (Facilities Manager) and everyone on the Site Team for all their hard work over the summer.

Former Longcroft Student Part of World Championship Team

Congratulations to former Longcroft Student Alex Lowethorpe, who is a member of the Great Britain Mens' Under 21 Canoe Polo Team. At the recent World Championships in Italy, the Under 21s came first in their competition, resulting in Alex being part of a winning World Championship team. Well done to Alex and also his brother, Andy, who represented Great Britain in the main men's team, which came seventh.

Free Toast at Upper School Canteen

To help illustrate the importance of students eating breakfast, Mellors (Longcroft's contracted caterers) will be providing a free slice of toast for students until Friday 23rd September. Other items, such as hot sandwiches, hot and cold drinks, fruit and cereal are also available.

Important Dates

Wednesday 21st September – Year 11 Information Evening:

Wednesday 23rd September – Year 10 Information Evening.

Wednesday 5th October – Intake Evening