

**LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER –
April 2017**

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Date	Long Sutton & Long Load Calendar
1 st	10.30am Coffee morning in the church
2 nd	Benefice Service 10.30am at Drayton
8 th	7.45pm LS gardening club
9 th	8am Holy Communion
14 th	11am Second Sunday Service at Long Sutton School Good Friday 2pm 'Last Hour of the Cross' - Music, readings and thoughts for Good Friday
16 th	Easter Day: 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 11am Family Communion
19 th	10am Corporate Communion @ Long Sutton Church
20 st	7.30pm WI LSVH
23 rd	9.15am Holy Communion
30 th	9.15am Matins – Bridget Jones

Flowers & Brasses Rota

	Flowers	Brasses
1 st April	Lent	
8 th April	Lent	Mrs Tulk & Mrs Burt
15 th April	Easter - volunteers	
22 nd April	Mrs Shepard	
29 th April	Mrs Shepard	
6 th May	Mrs Wheeler	Mrs Ellerbeck & Mrs Bond

APCM will be held on Tuesday, April 25th at 7.30pm in the Church. All Welcome

Coffee Mornings in the Church

On 4th March our annual coffee morning in aid of the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance was extremely well attended and raised £574.

Future events:

- **On Saturday, 1st April** we will be raising funds for Mary's Meals (named after Mary, mother of Jesus). This charity provides a nutritious daily meal in a place of education for some of the world's poorest children.
- **On Saturday, 6th May** we will be holding our annual coffee morning for Holy Trinity church funds.

Long Sutton W.I.

Somerset Day takes place on the 11th May and marks Alfred the Great's call to arms and the gathering of 'all the people of Somerset' to march against the invading Viking army. Somerset Day is now an annual opportunity to celebrate all that is great about Somerset its residents and communities.

To celebrate all that is great about Somerset, Long Sutton W.I shall be holding a Somerset Festival in the Village Hall on **Saturday 13th May** (time to be confirmed). The Festival will focus on our local area, stalls will feature local food, drink and crafts.

Our next meeting :
Thursday 20th April at 19:30
How to be a Dementia Friend

Follow us on facebook @LongSuttonWI for future events and information

Mothers Union

APRIL 19TH Corporate Communion @ Long Sutton Church

Long Sutton C of E Primary School and Toybox pre-school

The children in Willow class recently enjoyed a visit to the Friends Meeting House in the village and we would like to thank all those involved who made it a very interesting and educational experience.

Thank you to our very kind community who supported the Holy Trinity Church Coffee morning in February and raised an amazing £655. The money raised will go towards a canopy for Ash Class and is much appreciated.

Huge thanks also go to the Long Sutton Friendly Society who very generously donated £400 to the school. This will be well spent on new reading books for all of the pupils.

Throughout the year the children have been invited to run for a mile before school starts as part of our healthy lifestyle initiative. (Otherwise known as the 'SMILE') Now that the brighter mornings have arrived pupils will be encouraged to have an early run every day from April onwards. Let's hope we don't have too many April showers!

Music Buddies from 0-4 years

Our music group, Music Buddies meet every Monday morning from 9.30 – 10.15am in the school hall. (Term times only) We have lots of fun singing old and new rhymes, moving to music and exploring musical instruments. All welcome, from babies to pre-schoolers. At 10.15am we have a snack and a play in our lovely pre-school until 11am. Costs £2.00 for 1st child (£1 for other children) Contact us on 01458 241434 for further information.

If you would like to find out more about our fantastic school do get in contact and come and visit. We have spaces in all year groups including the pre-school with wrap around care from 7.45 to 5.45. Toy Box pre-school is now open all day from 8.45 to 3.15 and parents are able to access the wrap around care too. Contact us on 01458 241434, longsuttonprimary@educ.somerset.gov.uk, Website: <http://www.longsuttonprimaryschool.co.uk> Facebook: @LongSuttonPrimarySchool Twitter: @longsuttonsch

Long Sutton Gardening Club .

4April: Visit to Brimsmore Garden Centre Yeovil. 6.30pm

FOLSC into Spring

When these words are read FOLSC will be running their first event of the 2017 season 'the April Fools Quiz Extravaganza'. Suffice to say it is very much hoped we will have drawn in a capacity crowd and one skilled team will have proven to the rest that they have what it takes **not** to become the April Fools of our title! A full event report will be published next month. Many thanks to all who turned out to support our AGM in February. We were delighted to welcome 22 members (and some very welcome non-members!) and the Trustees were able to recap on what was achieved in 2016 and our plans for 2017. Whilst a little way ahead, we do have a couple of dates for your diaries. Our **Summer Party** is already in the planning stage and will be held in the **Long Sutton Village Hall on Saturday 15th July**. Watch out for further publicity on this in due course.

For our autumn outing we are delighted to advise we have been able to secure the services of **Mr Richard Digance**. He last performed for us back in 2011 when we had a sell-out event with Richard regaling us with a range of hilarious stories,

anecdotes and songs. This visit will form part of his National 'Golden Anniversary Tour' and the date of his visit is **Saturday 21st October**. Those who attended last time will know what is in store (expect the unexpected!) but anyone who has not seen him perform before will be in for a treat! This one will certainly be a sell out so watch out for more information later in the year.

THE BIG DIG

The WEA in the village is currently running a course on historical research skills. The participants are mainly residents in the village.

We would like to extend the research to include a weekend of test-pitting during the summer. This project would be led by Liz Caldwell from SANHS (Somerset Archaeological and Natural History Society) and Nigel Harvey from SSARG (South Somerset Archaeological Research Group).

If you would be interested in joining the group or would like to have more details please contact Doreen on 01458 241711 or email doreen-royharvey@tiscali.co.uk

Rattan Cane Group

Do you have a chair or a piece of furniture that needs re-caning? If so, why not come and join our group of enthusiastic caners. We meet most Thursday evenings in the Committee Room of Long Sutton Village Hall, from 7pm to 9pm. Good company, tea and biscuits, learn a new craft and restore a piece of furniture. What could be better?

Interested? then call our tutor Brenda for more details. Tel 01458 273461 or email brenda.burt@tiscali.co.uk

The Children's Society

Thank you very much to all collection box holders who this year have raised the Grand Total of £573.00 well done.

Jean Tulk

Long Sutton Parish Council

There are a number of boundary walls throughout the village which appear to be unstable. The Parish Council therefore asks that all householders/landowners inspect their boundary walls and make safe, in order to prevent any danger to the public.

If anyone would like a notice, advertising an event in the Parish, placed on the notice board outside the shop or the one at Langport Road or Upton, please contact Mr Tim Shire of Shire Cottage, Shute Lane, Long Sutton. Telephone 241221.

LONG LOAD

At the January meeting of the Long Load Parish Council it was agreed to change the Bi Monthly Meetings back to monthly meetings held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm starting with the meeting on the 16th February 2016

All residents are welcome to attend each meeting. Please access the Long Load Website for village events and news www.longload.org.uk

Your Parish Councillor and Village Hall Committee details are available on the Long Load Website www.longload.org.uk

Crafty Lady's

Wednesday 5th April 2017
7:15pm pm at Long Load Village Hall

'Stamping Up' Evening Workshop *with Jill Lackford*

Brief Talk with a Demo
Followed by the opportunity to have a go
and buy some stamping craft items

This workshop is open to all Craft Clubs in the area
to come along as guests of Crafty Ladies

Refreshments Available

Crafty Lady's

Wednesday 12th April 2017
2pm at Long Load Village Hall

'Easel Greeting Cards' *With Marsha*

Tea & Biscuits

The Health and Wellbeing Group will not meet in March due to change in plans therefore the next meeting is Wednesday 26th April Exercise and movement to music. Hope to see you there. Ann C

Good Friday Walk – Friday 14th April

Join us on Friday 14th April for the annual Good Friday Walk. Meet at the Village Hall at 11am for a hot cross bun and a cup of tea or coffee. We will then venture out for a gentle riverside walk. When we return to the Village Hall, hot soup will be waiting for us. Family, friends, children and well-behave dogs are all welcome. The event is free – donations to Village Hall costs will be welcome.

Bric a Brac Sale – Saturday June 3rd

There will be a Bric a Brac sale at the Village Hall on Saturday 3rd June in aid of St Margarets Hospice. If you have any saleable items to donate, it would be much appreciated if you could put them aside for collection closer to the date. More details will appear later.

Open Gardens – 24th and 25th June

The very successful Open Gardens event from 2014 is to be repeated this year. Gardens will be open on the afternoons of 24th and 25th June, while tea and cakes will be served in the Village Hall. Make a note of the dates and don't miss the opportunity to visit a variety of different gardens over the weekend.

Items for the May newsletter to Lieve Cousins, Spring House, Shute Lane, Long Sutton TA10 9LU or preferably by email to lsnewsletter@btinternet.com by 12th April please. For more information call 01458 241450