

# Lingdale Letterbox

### Working together to be the best we can be 11/9/2020





**Y5/6:** 94.7% Below! **Y3/4**: 97.6% Good! **Y1/2**: 100% Wow! Reception: 100% Wow! Nursery: 100% Wow!



This week's whole school attendance: 95.2%

Yearly school attendance to date: 95.6%

Target: 96.6% - Expected Standard for all schools. Poor attendance impacts negatively on your child's potential and life chances.

#### ParentPay Reminder

Please make sure that your child has been set up on ParentPay. Activation letters were sent out again last Friday. Even if your child is in receipt of free school meals, we are now a cashless school and all children need an account. All future trips, uniform, school dinners, breakfast and after school clubs will need to be paid through this system. If you would prefer a pay point card, please call or email the school office and speak to Mrs Bates. Thank you

#### School forms Competition

This week 'Daiten' in Year 4 won a £20 ASDA voucher for returning his forms on Monday. The Chair of Governors 'John Whitehead' pulled out the lucky form. Thank you to all the parents who have returned their forms and watch this space for more prize draws. Daiten will receive his prize on Monday.

#### Half term holidays:

Last day of term Fri. 23rd October, returning to school Monday 2nd November 2020

#### Dear Parents,

Wow! What an amazing first seven days it has been at Lingdale Primary School after an extremely difficult six months! Every single child has impressed us in one way or another... be it uniform, manners, punctuality, attitude, being a super friend...the list is endless! Well done everyone on such a calm and sensible return to school life. It was a joy to watch them play in their bubbles as they enjoyed each other's company again this week. The focus has definitely been on settling in, following the bubble rules and bonding with new classmates and staff. The behaviour policy is currently being updated to reflect the pandemic and the possible effects on children's mental health; however, we continue to maintain our usual high standard of expectations towards behaviour for learning.

Thank you to those of you who have emailed the office with any questions or concerns about the new procedures. Please continue to do so for as long as is needed on office@lingdale.org. We appreciate all feedback.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank parents /carers for their support with all of the above. Whether your child is new to two-year old provision or seeing out their final year with us, we appreciate all your efforts to make sure that our pupils arrive safely and follow all of the government guidance on social distancing.

Health and safety news - This week, we have participated in a fire drill. All pupils were extremely sensible and managed to exit school in less than one minute. The children ( and staff) have loved playing on the new trim trail this week. We certainly have some highly skilled children at Lingdale that have already mastered the monkey bars. Please remember children MUST only use the trim trail and pirate ship equipment during school hours when supervised by school staff. Thank you for the support in keeping our children safe.

Read, Read, Read- Over the summer holidays a newly refurbished library area, which is bursting with books, was established. From next week we will continue with our weekly book draws and ask for support from parents to ensure children read at least three times per week.

30 hours entitlement - We are able to continue to offer 30 hours childcare for 3 & 4 year olds. Please speak to the school office to enquire if you are eligible or visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

#### School Uniform

A huge thank you for your efforts with uniform. Your children look great! Thank you to all the parents who sent children to school in PE kit on their PE day. We really appreciate your support with this. Please remember KS2 PE day is Monday and KS1 PE day is Friday. The only item of jewellery appropriate for school is a watch and plain pair of studs Please remember that earrings must be removed on PE days.

## Head Teacher's Awards: For a fast

start to the year - Well done!

Jaxon F - Mrs Jones Dimitri D - Miss Stonehouse Bailey M - Mr Fairbridge Lexie S - Mrs Norris



Sebastian R - Citizenship Award