



Lingdale Primary School

“Working Together To Be
The Best That We Can Be”

EYFS Newsletter

Autumn Term



Welcome to EYFS

Mrs Jones, Miss Schumm, Miss Coe and Miss Smith would like to say a warm welcome to EYFS. Your children have adapted extremely well when coming back to School after so long. The Reception children have amazed us with how well they have adapted to full days at School and all children, whether new starters in Nursery or not, have been very busy in their provision bubble. We have made making sure that your child is happy and settled at School a priority and we hope that this is has shown in how enthusiastic they are to come. We have been immensely impressed with how well the children have adapted to our 'new normal' following the Corona virus lock down- it feels SO good to be back! They have been amazing at washing their hands throughout the day and see this as part of our routine to keep them safe now. Please read our newsletter to find out about routines, topics and important information to support your child's learning outside of School.

Homework & Reading

Reading at home is such an important part of your child's education and is a great support to them. Sharing stories, making up stories to match pictures and beginning to read letters and words are such vital stages in your child's Literacy development and your support is greatly appreciated.

In Reception, We would love to see your child's 'Home Reading Diary' in school every day. The children will be entered into a prize draw on a Friday if they have **read three times** or more at home. Thank-you to those parents that have been reading regularly at home with their children - we can see how this is really helping your child make progress already! If you are not reading at home then please start, as it will really aid progress.

In Nursery, we have a home loan system where the children can borrow story books from School. They will also be given a yellow book to draw pictures about their stories and parents, feel free to write comments about what your child said about the story they shared with you. We will aim to collect in and change these books each Thursday.

Booklets about how to support your child's reading at home have been provided in their reading packets but if you have any questions, then please don't hesitate to ask.

Marvellous Me and the People who help

Autumn 1 - We will be learning all about ourselves and what makes us unique. We will also learn about the people that help us

Out of this World

Autumn 2 - We will be reading stories about journeys to the moon, rockets and even some friendly aliens.

(see reverse for details)

We will also be spending lots of time learning routines as well as our three special School rules and what they mean. We will focus on being kind, sharing and taking care of each other



The Prime areas we will focus on are:

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Settling in to school, making friends, school routines;
Personal skills & attributes, being unique;
Understanding what it means to be sorry

Communication and Language

Listening to stories in small groups.
Talking about experiences.

Physical Development

Cooperation games e.g parachute games. Different ways of moving to be explored with children.

Fine motor:

Manipulate objects with good fine motor skills

Draw lines and circles using gross motor movements.

Developing pencil grip

Understands aspects of health/good foods, exercise

Our topic:

During our Autumn Topic, the children will be learning and talking about themselves and their experiences. We will then learn about the people that help us such as Police Officers, Firefighters, Medical staff and other professions. The children will learn about the roles that they play in their community and the special equipment that they use. Towards half term, we will also have a mini topic about the seasonal change to Autumn and Halloween. We will be having a Halloween party in our class bubbles. For details of our long-term plan and all the other areas of learning, please see our EYFS pages (Nursery and Reception) on the School website.

Important Dates

Monday 5th & Wednesday 7th October

Phone call where we will discuss how your child is settling in and any questions you may have.

Friday 23rd October: EYFS Halloween fancy dress party

P.E. and Independence



We are currently focusing on children's physical development in our bubbles and, therefore, children do not need a P.E kit in School at the moment. However, learning to undress and dress themselves is an important skill that they develop as part of their P.E lesson so please encourage them to do this independently at home until we are able to bring P.E kits from home to school. Please also encourage children to put on their own coats and attempt to fasten them themselves, as they need to learn to do this independently for self-help skills. Velcro shoes are also very important so that children can become independent in P.E sessions or when choosing to wear wellies in the outdoor area. We will keep parents informed when a P.E kit is needed in school.

Clothing & Lost property

We kindly ask that your child's uniform and coat are labelled with their full name. This helps us to quickly return them if they become lost.

As the weather becomes a little colder, please ensure your child comes to school wearing appropriate clothing and has a coat and scarf/gloves if needed. The children learn a lot by using the outdoor area and we will continue to learn outside during the winter months too. School also provides children with waterproof clothes and wellies when needed.



Please note

This is our intended curriculum coverage. However, our focus is on the wellbeing and happiness of the children following the lockdown situation. We will be doing lots of work to ensure that the children are **happy and healthy**.



Keeping in touch

Keep up to date with what's happening in our class by 'liking' our school Facebook page and visiting our class page on the school website: <https://www.lingdaleprimary.co.uk/eyfs/>

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