

Lingdale Letterbox

Friday 22nd October 2021





Year 5/6: 93.2% Below Year 3/4: 93.8% Below Year 1/2: 90.6% Below

Reception: 84.9% Below

Nursery: 86.1% Below

This week's whole school attendance 91.6% Well below!

Yearly school attendance to date:

95.2% Below

Target 96.6%

This is the expected standard for all schools.

Poor attendance impacts negatively on your child's potential and life chances.

Working together to be the best we can be

Dear Parents/Carers.

Wow! What a busy half term it has been! Huge thanks to those of you who were able to connect with your children's teachers this week. Feedback has been great and it is amazing to hear from so many families that are regularly reading at home and supporting school to close the gaps. Please remember that if you have any questions or concerns, don't wait for official meetings just drop us an email or give us a call on 01287 651723 At these tricky times we need to stay as in contact as we can.

Unfortunately, we have had a small increase in numbers of cases in school this week and a worrying climb in numbers in the schools and villages around us. We appeal to you to keep your distance as far as you can when on site and follow government advice at all times. It is really important that parents keep school informed with any cases or symptoms and that we work together. Please remember the most common symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature and/or
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If your child does develop symptoms, they should get a PCR test and remain at home at least until the result is known. If positive, the child should isolate for 10 days after their symptoms appeared. Due to a small increase in cases we would also suggest that children in Early Years also get a PCR test as some children who have tested positive have shown NO symptoms and test and trace haven't been in touch to advise testing. Thank you

Harvest Festival

The children in Year 1 and 2 sang their hearts out this afternoon and it was lovely to hear 'Cauliflowers Fluffy and Cabbages Green'. Apologies that we couldn't invite parents to listen but thank you to those parents who donated tins for our Harvest hampers. We have had a number of nominations for elderly people and families in need who live in our community; they will receive a hamper full of tins and fresh fruit.

Safeguarding news

Please remember that safeguarding is our main priority at Lingdale Primary School. If you have any concerns about a child over the half term holidays then please contact South Tees Multi-agency Hub on Tel: 01642 130700

Out of hours:

Emergency Duty Team Tel: 01642 524 552

In an emergency contact Cleveland Police on: 101

Staff emails/contact

Please remember that staff only answer emails between working hours 8am-4pm Monday to Friday and this is term time only.

Thank you for the support!

Dates for the diary:

Friday 22nd October—Break up for half term- check your e mails for our new reading competition for the holidays.

PD DAY 3— Monday 1st November (school closed)

Tuesday 2nd November—Return to school

Wednesday 3rd November—Halloween disco £2.50 per ticket. Tickets on sale now which include a hot dog, drink and sweets. KS2 will be in the main hall and Reception/KS1 in the dining hall

Thursday 4th November—Influenza immunisation (consent will need to be completed online following the letter last week)

Thursday 18th November—Y1/2 Trip to Preston Park

<u>Head Teacher's Awards -For</u> <u>"Marvellous Manners"</u>

Hunter T-Miss Bussey

Theo H — Mrs Springgay

Maddie J -Mrs Jones

Ocean H -Mr Fairbridge

Joe C - Mrs Norris







Calling all young artists!

Can you capture what "Coming Back Together" will mean for you this Christmas? I am seeking young artists to create a festive design to represent our area in Parliament. I would like my Christmas cards to reflect the fantastic festive celebrations in the area I represent and recognise your creative talent, so I am running a competition. Restrictions last year meant we couldn't spend Christmas with everybody we love. And so, this year's theme is "Coming Back Together".

If you would like the chance of your artwork featuring on all my Christmas cards, all you need to do is send me your design, which should follow a few simple guidelines:

- Your design should be on A4 paper or card: it can be portrait or landscape
- You need to label the back of your design with your name, school and year group. I would also like you to give your work a title, which should also be written on the back
- I am looking for a design which shows a Christmas event or scene that shows how important "Coming Back Together" is for you. Feel free to depict your loved ones and any local landmarks that reminds you of Christmas at home with the people that matter.
- The winning design will need to be clear and eye-catching when it is reproduced on the cards so think about this when choosing your colours and style

All entries must be received by my office by Thursday 11th November – this gives me time to judge your fantastic work, get cards printed and send them out to everyone before Christmas!

I will be judging designs in three age categories:

- Reception & Year 1
- Year 2, Year 3 & Year 4
- Year 5 & Year 6

Each age category winner will receive prizes from the House of Commons and their image will feature on my Christmas Cards: my overall favourite design will take pride of place on the front of the card, with the other age category winners decorating the back.

I will also visit the overall winner's school to present them with a copy of their winning design.

I am looking forward to seeing all of your fantastic designs,

Simon Clarke, MP for Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland



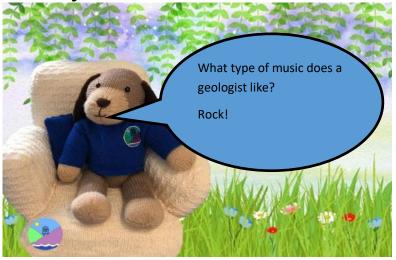
Reading corner

Congratulations to Ivy, Kylan, Joe and Ocean who won the book draw last week. Thank you to those parents who take the time to hear their children read at home regularly.

#workingtogether

#makingadiffererence

Dale's joke corner



Highlights of the half term.....

<u>Lingdale's Little Explorers</u> have had a busy half term welcoming many new children to our Lingdale family. The children have enjoyed exploring our setting both indoors and outdoors. They have been involved in activities that have provided new challenges and experiences, developing their confidence, language, social interactions and physical development.

Welcome aboard Little Explorers!





Nursery and Reception have had a fantastic first half term and have settled in really well. They have really enjoyed learning about 'The Gruffalo' and 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' stories. They created amazing Gruffalo paintings and had a brilliant time at our teddy bears' picnic! They have also been learning about autumn and exploring the autumn investigation area which generated lots of discussion! They have also been taking part in Halloween-themed activities which have proved very popular! A firm favourite has definitely been our Halloween scavenger hunt!







Year 1 & 2

The academic year kicked off with a mysterious brown suitcase left in our class. We had clues to try and infer meaning as to who left this for us. As we pulled out the map of Peru and a jar of marmalade, we soon realised that the suitcase belonged to Paddington Bear! Paddington then took us on a virtual tour of London where we learnt about the famous landmarks and facts about the United Kingdom. We then went on to learn about the Great Fire of London and have learnt lots of interesting facts about that frightful night when it all began in 1666. The highlight of the term has got to be when we had a special visit from a real-life fire brigade and we could use the hoses! Who said that learning can't be fun?





Year 3 & 4

The highlight of this half term for children in year 3 and 4 has to be their trip to York Chocolate Story. The children had lots of fun, learnt numerous facts about the process of chocolate making, and even got to make some of their own. Having first-hand experiences of the chocolate making process has really developed their understanding of the producer to consumer chain during our 'Where on Earth does it come from?' topic. They enjoyed showing off their knowledge of the rainforest and the habitat coco beans need to grow. The chocolatiers were very impressed! When we got back to school, the children made us proud with how they remembered and used their new vocabulary to write explanations of how chocolate is made. We look forward to carrying on our topic by reading Charlie and the Chocolate factory next half term.







Years 5 & 6

What an energetic start to the autumn term we have had in UKS2! We kick-started the term with our breath-taking residential, which we are sure you will agree helped us bond as a team and develop our inner qualities. We then took Whitby by storm when we visited Pannet Park Museum, the 199 steps and abbey to enhance our curriculum.

Logan and Kian exploring
a replica of the original
lifeboat sent out to rescue
The Rohilla hospital ship.



In class we have learned about the causes and true heroes of WW1. To complement this in Science we learned how light travels by making our own periscopes and imaging we were surviving in a U Boat under the sea.

Our art lessons have been focused around "The Painter of Light"- William Joseph Turner. We have learned the techniques of painting with watercolours and have recreated some of his masterpieces. Look at the concentration on our faces while we immersed ourselves in this activity. We certainly have some creative children at the top of school!

