

Lingdale Letterbox

Friday 5th November 2021



Working together to be the best we can be

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back everyone! It has been a short but busy week for all our children. What a spooky night we had on Wednesday for our Halloween discos. The children looked fabulous in their Halloween costumes. Well done to our best fancy dress winners Harper M, Heidi P, Elliot P and Mikey S.



Dates for the diary:

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Monday 8th November KS2 Bring wellies!

Friday 19th Nov Children In Need—Wear Pudsey items, PJs or dress in spots - £1 donation **Thursday 18th November** —KS1 trip to Preston

Park (please remember to return forms and contri-



Thursday 25th November—Y5/6 trip to Little Theatreinformation to follow

Monday 6th December @2pm Outdoor Xmas Fayre

Head Teacher's Awards - For An Enquiring Mind

Scarlette M—Miss Bussey

Cayla B—Mrs Springgay

Jack W -Mrs Jones

Laylah M - Mr Fairbridge

Rihanna M-Mrs Norris

Star Explorer for Miss Schumm is John





Year 5/6: 99.2% Good Year 3/4: 98.2% Good Year 1/2: 94.4% Below Reception: 92.9% Below Nursery: 70.8% Well below

> This week's whole school attendance 96.9%

Yearly school attendance to date:

95.4%

Target 96.6% -This is the expected standard for all schools.Poor attendance impacts negatively on your child's potential and life chances.

100% attendance treat!

Encouraging regular school attendance and excellent punctuality is one of the most powerful ways you can prepare your child for success – both in school and in life.

Last half term, we continued with the rewards for those children who attended <u>school every day</u>. The children received a certificate in assembly and this morning we had just over <u>50 children</u> attend the Head Teacher's Breakfast. This was awarded for achieving 100% attendance in the first half of the Autumn term. They enjoyed delicious sausage and bacon buns. A perfect start to a cold and wet morning! Well done to you all and keep it up.

<u>Breakfast counts! Be Early! Be Ready!</u>

We would like to remind parents that we also offer a FREE breakfast club EVERY morning from 8.15am. We close the gates promptly at 8.30am to ensure the children have had chance to eat and enjoy some games and crafts. We have noticed that a small number of families are not accessing this FREE club and therefore miss their important morning job time. We would really encourage ALL our full time children to attend to avoid any lateness and ensuring readiness to learn! The children enjoy warm toast, cereal, yoghurts, fresh fruit, bagels, pancakes and so much more.





Ofsted final report

As you will be aware, we were visited by Ofsted on 14th and 15th of September 2021. A copy of the report has been emailed to all parents. If you would like a paper copy, please contact the office and this can be arranged. Thank you

Fire safety

This week in assembly, we talked about firework safety and all the important messages from the fire brigade. Here are some top tips to help keep our families safe this weekend.

Fireworks display at home? In the excitement, it's easy to forget some safety essentials. Here we share our advice on how to make it a day to remember for all the right reasons.

Safe displays

- Where possible, attend an organised display
- Children can get hugely excited, running around the garden waiting for the fireworks to start. But you can't have eyes in the back of your head. So have a marker, like a rope, for them to stand behind at a safe distance from the display.
- Use a torch rather than a naked flame to read the instructions. If you get a chance, read the instructions indoors so you have a chance to get familiar with them.
- Don't go back to a firework once it has been lit. Sometimes they can be very slow to get started and may take you by surprise, blowing up in your face.
- Never throw used fireworks onto a bonfire in case they still have gunpowder left in them.
- The safest place for a bonfire is at least 18 metres (60 ft) away from the house and surrounding trees and hedges, fences or sheds.

Sparkler safety

- Sparklers burn at a very high temperature (as hot as 1600°C, 16 times the boiling point of water) so need treating with caution.
- Wear gloves when holding a sparkler, and keep it at arm's length, as sparks can fly! Try inserting them into a carrot for extra safety
- Only hold one sparkler at a time.
- Don't hold a baby or young child while you're holding a sparkler they can reach out unexpectedly and grab at it.
- <u>The official advice is: Don't give sparklers to children under 5. They're too young to hold them safely and</u> don't understand why they might be dangerous.



- Teach children not to wave sparklers near anyone else or run around while holding them.
- Once sparklers are out, put them in a bucket of water as they can stay very hot

Remembrance Sunday

The children in key stage two will be going to decorate Lingdale Cenotaph in beautiful poppies next week so please send them in wellies on Monday. Head boy and girl will be laying a wreath at the cenotaph on behalf of our school and all the children will be taking part in a minute's silence on 11th of November at 11am. Poppies are for sale in classes along with various pieces of stationery. We would hope that our children also make the effort to attend the service on Sunday 14th November at 1.50pm.



MFC BORO BUS RETURNS!

Yesterday, we received a visit from the brand new MFC Foundation Boro Bus. The bus will be the new outdoor learning classroom for the Foundation and our children will be part of some new projects starting in the Spring term. Watch this space for more news!



