

# Lingdale Letterbox

Friday 26th November 2021



## Working together to be the best we can be

Parents/Carers,

Wow! What a busy week it has been at Lingdale Primary. The children have worked extremely hard to complete their autumn term assessments and we are very proud of them all. The roof work is finally complete and school is looking much smarter with the scaffolding finally removed.

The children in Year 5 & 6 thoroughly enjoyed their visit to The Little Theatre last night and watched an amazing performance of 'A Christmas Carol'. The children were mesmerised by the superb acting and will use the experience to help them whilst writing their own play scripts in the coming weeks.

### Fundraising update for school

Next week, all children will be sent home with £5 worth of tickets for our Xmas prize draw. Please send any back to school that you don't manage to sell and remember to write your name on every individual ticket and not just the strip. Please send all money in when you return the stubs. All raffle ticket strips are £1 and if you would like any extras, please email or ring the school office and we will arrange to send more home with your child. We will also be starting to sell the cash Xmas square draw. Squares are £1 each and there will be 3x prizes. First prize will be £50 cash, followed by two prizes of £25 each. All proceeds from the cash draw and raffle will go straight back to the children to support their Xmas parties and future trips and events.

### Improving Attendance Together

For the first time in a number of years, attendance across school has fallen below 96% and this is very concerning. If children are not in school regularly, they cannot receive their entitlement of education in order to achieve their full potential. As we know, our children have missed so much school as a result of two lockdowns. We cannot afford for our children to lose any more of their education. Despite this, we fully understand that childhood illness is part of growing up and children get colds, sickness bugs and have medical issues. We cannot overcome genuine illness but we can support your child in school if they have a minor ailment such as a headache, common cold or fatigue, with the aid of painkillers designed for children (issued by parents). Please speak to Mrs Bates if you need support in getting your child into school.



MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

Year 5/6: 90.8% Below

Year 3/4: 92.7% Below

Year 1/2: 85% Well below!

Reception: 92.7 % Below

Nursery: 87.5% Well below!

**This week's whole school attendance 90.5% Well below!**

**Yearly school attendance to date:**

**94.9% Below**

Target 96.6%

This is the expected standard for all schools.

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

### Important dates for the diary

**Monday 6th December 2pm** Outdoor Xmas Fayre. Visit Santa, train ride, stalls, hot dogs and much more.....



**Thursday 9th December morning**—Little Explorer/EYFS trip to Play Factory. Cost is £5 (please return forms and contribution asap)

**Tuesday 14th December 4.45pm** Whole school Outdoor Xmas Carol performance—This will replace the Xmas performances indoors.

**Friday 17th December**—Xmas dinner in school and wear your Xmas jumper.

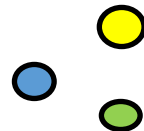
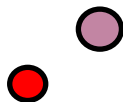
Christingle service for children in their classes at 10.30am. School will close for a deep clean at 1pm and **ALL children must be collected at 1pm** from their usual doors. Thank you

All festive events are planned to go ahead **OUTSIDE**. Unfortunately, we will not be holding any performances or activities for parents indoors. .

Return to school on Wednesday 5th January 2021

### Children in Need

The exact total raised for Children in Need was £62.60. Thank you to all our families.



### ParentPay reminder

**There are some accounts for breakfast club and school dinners in arrears. Please ensure your account is up to date for Monday.**

### Head Teacher's Awards - Remembering More

Aela K —Miss Bussey

Kylan R—Mrs Jones

Ivy W - Mrs Springgay

Poppy M -Mr Fairbridge

Summer K -Mrs Norris



Miss Schumm's Star award is Jenson T

Breakfast club star is Rhys S.



## SAFEGUARDING CONCERNS

Should you have any concerns in regard to the safety of children then please do not hesitate to contact any members from our safeguarding team. The safeguarding team is Mrs Thornton, Miss Schumm and Mrs Norris. In the event that school is not open, then please report any safeguarding worries to the South Tees MACH. The South Tees Mach is a Multi Agency Children's Hub and the first point of contact for anyone who has a concern about the welfare or safety of a child or young person or thinks they may need extra help and support. When they are contacted, they will listen to what they are being told and the different agencies might share information with each other to try and work out whether they can help. Tel: 01642 130700 between 8.30am - 5pm Monday - Thursday and 8.30am - 4.30pm Friday. Outside of these hours contact the emergency duty team on: 01642 524552 or Email: [southteesmach@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk](mailto:southteesmach@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk)

To find out more about safeguarding at Lingdale Primary please view our Safeguarding Policy that can be found on our website. You will find this in the Key Information section within 'Policies'.

## Orienteering Day

On Tuesday, all pupils in upper key stage 2 participated in an orienteering day around the school grounds. Each group was tasked to find all the orienteering control points, write down the letters and work out the secret words... but there was so much more fun to be had along the way with the Photo scavenger hunt! We were set 'silly' challenges which included dancing, singing, proposing and pulling crazy faces. Mr Easton from Cleveland Sports Partnership organised the event and encouraged the children to work as a team and show determination.



Have a lovely weekend everyone.

“Be Safe, Be Ready and Be Respectful!”