

Lingdale Letterbox

Friday 9th December 2022



Working together to be the best we can be



Dear Parents, Welcome to this week's news....

What an amazing week we have had!! On Thursday, Little Explorers and EYFS went on a trip to the Play Factory. They had lots of fun exploring the soft play area to develop their physical skills. They then had a special visit from Santa, which the children were really excited about! The children visited Santa in his grotto and received Christmas presents. The children were fantastic and a credit to Lingdale Primary School. Any children who had paid £7 for this trip and were unable to attend due to illness will receive a Play Factory voucher.



Year 5/6: 96.8% Good
Year 3/4: 85.3% Below
Year 1/2: 88.6% Below
Reception: 69.6% Well below
Nursery: 67.3% Well below

This week's whole school attendance 88.3% Below

Yearly school attendance to date: 91.9% Below

Target 96.6%

This is the expected standard for all schools.

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



XMAS FAYRE UPDATE!

HUGE thanks to all our families who supported the Xmas Fayre this week. So far, we have made over £400 profit which will go towards future trips and events. This amount does not include the raffle money. The raffle will be drawn next week so don't forget to send all sold tickets in by Wednesday. Thank you



Diary dates

Tuesday 13th December Whole school (Y1-Y6) Xmas performance— Families have been allocated 2 tickets per family. The showings are 10.45am and 1pm. **This date was given out on the 22-23 diary dates that was sent out to each child in September and displayed around school. If you are a working parent and have an issue with the time allocated, please speak to the office ASAP.**

Wednesday 14th December— EYFS/Little Explorers singing around the tree 10.30am (no tickets required) Last swimming session of the year for Y5/6. Restart Wed 4th Jan 2023 Please check your e mail from Mrs Norris

Thursday 15th December—EYFS/Little Explorers party morning. Last day for Little Explorers and Nursery children

Friday 16th December—Xmas dinner in school- wear your Xmas jumper. **NURSERY/LITTLE EXPLORERS IS CLOSED**

1.30pm Christingle service for parents

School will close for a deep clean at 2pm and children need to be collected at 2pm from their usual doors.

Head Teacher's Awards -Subject Knowledge

Paige H — Miss Hanratty

Henry H -Miss Parvin

Lindon J —Mr Fairbridge

Lucas H-Mrs Norris

Breakfast club star is Thomas T

Pen Licences— Blossom L, Poppy M, Caitlyn W, Jack W



Please note After school clubs are now finished until week beginning 12th Jan 23 except from Miss Sheridan's Tuesday Art club and Y6 boosters. Thank you



Article 24 – Health Care - ensures that every child has the right to the best possible health.

Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food, and a clean environment and education on health and well-being so that children can stay healthy.

Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.

Christmas parties at Lingdale 2022

Xmas parties are next week. Each class will have their own Xmas party. Thursday morning is EYFS/Little Explorers party, Wednesday afternoon is Y1/2 and Thursday afternoon is Y5/6. Please send your child's to school in their party clothes. Afternoon Nursery will be closed on their party day on Wednesday so they will need to attend for the morning session instead 8.45-11.45am. Food lists are in cloakrooms to sign up. Please check e-mails from Ks2 staff.



PARENTPAY

All accounts **MUST** be up to date for the end of term. Any accounts in arrears in January 2023 will need to make packed lunch arrangements or use the **FREE** breakfast club. Thank you

Health and safety— The trees are all nearly down and the new fencing will be put up next week. **PLEASE REMEMBER TO NOT PARK ON THE ZIG ZAG LINES, IN THE STAFF CARPARK OR DRIVE WAY.** THIS IS FOR STAFF AND ACCESS FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES ONLY. THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE!

Does your child want to post a joke on our letter-box?

Please send them in to Mrs Thornton EVERY Thursday and we will pick one.

WATER BOTTLES—Please ensure your child has their water bottle EVERY DAY!

Breakfast club


Wow! What a busy week it has been in breakfast club. It is fantastic to see so many children attending and being in school for 8am and ready to learn. HUGE thanks to Miss Coe, Matty from SCSS, Matthew, Mr Whitehead and Mrs Murray who do a fantastic job in there every morning and thanks to GREGGS who continue to fund it.

Dale's Joke Corner




Why is it difficult to keep a secret at the North Pole?

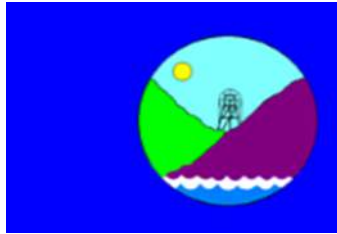
Because your teeth chatter!



What's a child's favourite king at Christmas?

Stocking!





School Procedures due to Inclement Weather **Guidance – Parent Copy 2022/23**

In the event of inclement weather, we will try our best to maintain service as normal for you.

We really appreciate your patience and support in this matter.

Once school is open for the day, we will remain open.

Should heavy snowfall occur during the day and you are concerned about getting your child home safely, then you are welcome to collect your child early.

*** The health and safety of everyone who comes onto our site is of the utmost priority.***

Arrangements for dropping off and collection of children will mean that parents and children will use the main entrance ONLY. The steps will remain closed. At the end of the school day we ask you to enter the site with caution and stay within the identified front path, socially distancing safely.

Staff will be available on the school site as soon as they can get in. Parents can contact school directly by email or telephone.

SCHOOL CLOSURE

In the event of extreme inclement weather, such as heavy snowfall over night and anticipated continuation into the next day, we will follow the procedures below:

- **The decision to open/ close the school will be made by the Headteacher by 7 a.m.**
- **The announcement for closure or a late start to the school day will be made on our school Facebook page and emailed to parents by 7.15am.**
- **Please listen for announcements on BBC Radio Tees, TFM, Magic & Radio Zetland from 7.30 a.m.**

In the event of snowy weather, children need to come to school in wellies or boots, as we will take the children outside to enjoy the snow if there is no compacted ice and they have a change of footwear.

If ground conditions are slippery, the site supervisor will endeavour to clear and grit a route. We ask you not to walk on flooded or untreated surfaces and to please be careful, allowing a little extra time to arrive at school safely, both on the paths leading to and from school and everywhere on our site.



Update December 2022

We have been informed that 4 children who attend Lingdale Primary School, have **scarlet fever**. We have no confirmed cases of Strep A. This letter offers some further information and advice about this, which you may find useful.

What are scarlet fever and Strep A?

Scarlet fever is caused by bacteria called Group A streptococci (Strep A). The bacteria usually cause a mild infection that can be easily treated with antibiotics.

In very rare occasions, the bacteria can get into the bloodstream and cause an illness called invasive Group A strep (iGAS).

What are the symptoms of Strep A/scarlet fever?

- Sore throat
- Headache
- Fever
- A fine, pinkish or red body rash with a sandpapery feel
- On darker skin the rash can be more difficult to detect visually but will have a sandpapery feel

If a child becomes unwell with these symptoms, contact your GP practice or contact NHS 111 (which operates a 24/7 service) to seek advice.

If a child has scarlet fever, they **MUST** stay at home until at least 24 hours after the start of antibiotic treatment to avoid spreading the infection to others.

General hygiene advice

The spread of most infectious illnesses is reduced through good hand hygiene. Please help your child to wash their hands frequently with warm water and soap, particularly after using the toilet, after using a tissue to catch a cough or sneeze, and before eating. Particular care should be taken when handling nappies or tissues.

Any soiled clothes, bedding and towels should be washed on the hot cycle of a washing machine and where possible cups, utensils, towels and bedding should not be shared. School have increased hand washing routines in school. We have also asked cleaning staff to increase the cleaning of touch points and there will be a deep clean next week.

Medical advice

Most of the common viruses that affect children do not cause serious illness. However, if you are worried about the condition of your child, because, for example they have:

- A rash
- An unremitting fever
- Profuse diarrhoea and vomiting
- Bloody diarrhoea
- Appear drowsy
- Display difficulty breathing

Call 999 or go to A&E

Have a lovely weekend everyone! Come on England!

