



# EYFS Spring Newsletter



Welcome to the spring term! We hope you have had a lovely Christmas break. Please see below for what we intend to cover through the seven areas of learning and development. We hope the curriculum information supports you in encouraging your child's development at home.

## Communication and Language

- Show an understanding of prepositions
- Develop social phrases
- Articulate thoughts and ideas
- Ask a range of questions
- Listen and concentrate for a sustained period of time



## Physical Development

- Draw lines and circles with increasing control
- Catch a large ball
- Handle tools with increasing control
- Develop coordination, balance and agility
- Develop a tripod grip



## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Begin to understand how others are feeling
- Develop their sense of responsibility within the class
- Show resilience and perseverance when faced with a challenge
- Adapt behaviour to events, social situations and changes in routine



## Literacy



Nursery

- Describe story settings and events
- Trace own name
- Show an awareness of rhyme

Reception

- Read simple phrases and sentences
- Read some high frequency words
- Write simple words and captions
- Develop letter formation

## Mathematics



Nursery

- Use positional language
- Recognise some numerals to 5
- Count up to 3 objects

Reception

- Develop composition of numbers 3, 4 & 5
- Recognise one more and one less from a group of up to 10
- Add and subtract two single-digit numbers practically

## Understanding the World

- Talk about the weather
- Talk about and compare winter and spring
- Learn about Chinese New Year and Easter
- Create simple maps
- Talk about how we care for the natural world



## Expressive Arts and Design

- Explore imaginative role play
- Explore how sounds can be changed
- Sing and learn a range of rhymes
- Talk about what they have made
- Retell familiar traditional tales



## Nursery Book Loan System

We currently have a book loan system in place for the nursery children. This is located in our nursery/reception cloak room. There is a selection of books to choose from, with a log book to record your loan. Please speak to a member of staff to assist you with this.

## Topic

Our key texts for this term include 'The Three Little Pigs', 'Rosie's Walk', 'Jasper's Beanstalk' and 'The Enormous Turnip'.

We will also explore winter, Chinese New Year, poems, spring and Easter.

## Clothing

Children have daily access to the outdoor area so please ensure your child wears appropriate clothing when the weather is colder. We can provide children with a pair of wellies and waterproof clothes when needed. **Please ensure all clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name.**

## Jewellery and P.E

Just a reminder that children can only wear studs to school and they must be removed for P.E. Reception and the 30-hour children will need to come to school wearing their P.E kits every Wednesday.

## Breakfast and After School Clubs

The FREE breakfast club will commence on Monday 9th January from 8.00am - last entry 8.20am. The paid breakfast club opens from 7.30am and should be paid in advance via ParentPay.

Reception children can attend Monday art club (free), Tuesday film club (50p), Thursday SCSS dance club (free) after school clubs. On Thursdays, children must bring a suitable kit in a bag and jewellery must be removed if they would like to attend. Please collect your child no later than 4pm from the main entrance. Please note there will be no clubs on Tuesday 31st January due to staff training.

## Reading Books

It is really important that the Reception children read their reading book/picture book at least three times a week to develop confidence and fluency. Please sign and write any comments in your child's reading record. Please ensure book bags are in school every day.

We have a book home loan system in the EYFS cloakroom for any children who would like to lend an extra book for reading at home. Parents are asked to sign and date in the log book who has borrowed the book and the date of borrow and return date.

## Scrap Materials

We would really appreciate any scrap materials for our creative area e.g. cereal boxes, kitchen roll tubes, yoghurt pots, plastic containers, plastic milk bottles, corks and plastic bottle tops. No toilet roll tubes please. Thank you.

## Contact Information

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

School contact number: 01287 651723

Miss Hanratty's email address:  
EYFS@lingdale.org

## Timing of the School Day

The EYFS gates open at 08:40 AM for the reception and 30 hours nursery children. Reception and nursery children should be collected at 3pm. We ask that the youngest children are collected first before older siblings.

Thank you.

## Dates For Your Diary

- Free breakfast club opens — 9th January
- Chinese New Year — w/c 16th January
- Mini Explorers group (health visitor) — 11th January 1.45pm — 2.45pm
- Valentines Disco £2 ticket — 4.00pm — 5.30 pm 14th February
- Break up for half term — 17th February
- Return to school — 27th February
- Parent's evening 2 — 28th February
- World Book Day (dress up as your favourite book character or in PJs) - 2nd March
- EYFS Mother's Day Assembly 2.30pm — 16th March
- Decorate a boiled egg competition — w/c 27th March
- Break up for Easter holiday — 31st March
- EYFS Coulby Farm trip — dates to be confirmed, details to follow

'Evidence Me' observations will continue to be sent at the end of every month. Please

**If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.**

**Thank you**

**Miss Hanratty, Miss Smith, Mrs Latheron, Miss Coe and Miss Schumm**

