

Parents' Page

Dates for the Diary

Mon 9th January- Free Breakfast Club / Afterschool Clubs start

Tues- 14th February- Safer Internet Day

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Fri 17th- Break up for half term.

Mon 27th February- Return to school

Thurs 2nd March- World Book Day- dress up as your favourite character

10th-19th March- British Science Week

Fri 17th March- Y5/6 Class Assembly 2.30pm

Fri 31st March- Break up for Easter

Mon 17th April- Return to school

Trips

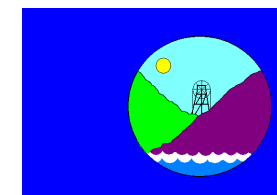
Danby Moors National Park



February—date and cost to be confirmed.

To enhance our Geography fieldwork, we will be visiting the centre to learn how to read maps, aerial photographs and use compasses. Children will take part in activities in the centre then apply these new skills while walking in the moors.(Led by instructors)

★Year 5 & 6 News★



★ Welcome Back— Spring 2023

A warm welcome back to Years Five and Six! We hope you have all had a peaceful and healthy Christmas spending time with friends and family.

A new year means lots of new learning experiences but the same focus is on Being Safe, Ready and Respectful.

January sees us welcome Keely, a new year five pupil, who we are sure will settle into our Lingdale routines very quickly.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you want to discuss anything, need information or have concerns you would like to share. We can't solve a problem unless we know it exists! (Y5/6@Lingdale.org)

Kind Regards and best wishes for a prosperous new year.

Mrs Norris and Mrs Hoffman

2023 SATs

SATs Week 2023
Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th May

You may be aware that there is now an extra Bank Holiday on Monday 8th May.

SATs will commence as usual on Tuesday 9th with 4 days of assessments for Year 6 pupils.

Some children have already been attending booster sessions after school on Thursdays- these will resume in the second week—on 12th January- with all Y6 pupils invited. (Letter to follow)

We don't want anyone to worry about these tests- we just ask that everyone does their very best.

Good attendance & punctuality ARE VITAL.

Behaviour

As you will be aware, Lingdale Primary School follows a positive behaviour plan. Children are rewarded in a variety of ways for super work, attitude to learning and behaviour. We have already awarded stickers, certificates and prizes for the fantastic attitudes we have seen. Have you received a Dale post-card yet? There are, however, occasions where pupils can make the wrong choices. On these rare occasions, certain sanctions will be imposed. We appreciate your support in these matters.

Uniform

We are extremely impressed by the example set by your children so far—they were beautifully presented in the first week back—thank you for your efforts with this. A sea of blue greeted us! However, just so standards are clear please remember...

★ Nail varnish is not allowed.

★ Jewellery should be kept to a minimum- plain studs and a watch only.

General Reminders

Breakfast Clubs.

It has been great to see families adapt positively to our new, earlier opening time.

Children who attend Breakfast Club are therefore already in school, which means they are ready to learn promptly. Evidence from last year showed that pupils who arrived in school on time outperformed those who were late. If your child doesn't attend Breakfast Club, please can you ensure they are lined up at the pencils by 8.40am.

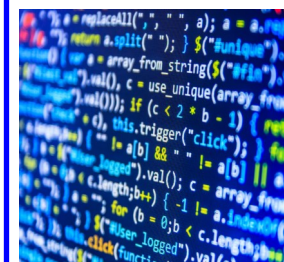
Children are given the opportunity to be heard read and carry out basic skills tasks in this time so punctuality is important.

Bedtime routines and calm settled starts to the day are essential and we thank you for your support with this.

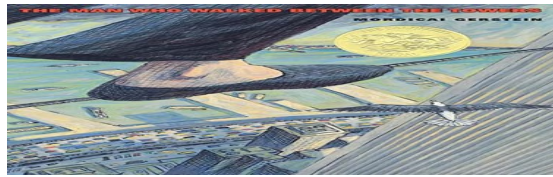
Enrichment Opportunities

The usual, afterschool clubs such as dance, film art will restart week beginning Monday 9th January.

Please contact Mrs Bates on 01287 651723 if you need any more information.



English



Our focused text this half term is the true story of Phillippe Petite- The Man Who Walked Between the Towers. Children will continue to focus on predicting and summarising, making and justifying inferences and explaining how meaning is enhanced through a choice of words and phrases.

We will explore the art of writing a newspaper report using direct and reported speech and how to lure the reader in.

Spelling tests will continue on a Monday morning- starting 16th with words given out on the 9th.

Maths

The National Curriculum expects all children from Year 4 to know all of their times tables up to and including 12. Does your child know them? Are they accessing TTRS at home still?

Spring

We will continue to follow the White Rose scheme of work. All pupils will focus on multiplication and division, fractions, decimals and percentages, area and perimeter and statistics.

Year 6 pupils will also learn about ratio and scaling, volume and algebra.

Arithmetic will remain a top focus for all children.

Design Technology

Children will be taught about Mechanical Systems this half term. Mrs Robson will teach them about pulleys and gears.



French

Our Geography focus for Spring 1 is

Geographical skills and fieldwork -using maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied. Use the eight points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and keys (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build their knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world. Use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.

Science

Forces

Explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object

Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces .

Recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.

Who was Sir Isaac Newton?
Who was Galileo Galilei?

Homework/Reading

All pupils in years five and six will be given one piece of homework a week. This will be given out on a Thursday and expected back on the following Tuesday. Homework club will be available for any child needing support on a Monday breaktime. Home reading also plays an integral part of homework.

At Lingdale, pupils are encouraged to read at home to an adult on a daily basis. **We are insisting that children read and return their reading diary at least 3 times a week.** They will then be entered into the weekly book draw. Thank you in advance for your support with this- hearing your child read a few pages- or paragraphs and asking a couple of questions to clarify their understanding is vital

Computing

Children will be continuing to develop their computing skills this term to be an active part of the digital world we live in.

Computing is broken into 3 areas: Computer science, digital literacy and information technology. Our focus will cover all three areas this term.

- ◆ Email (digital literacy)
- ◆ Spreadsheets (information technology)
- ◆ Game creation (computer science)

Science

Properties and Changes of materials

- ◆ Compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets
- ◆ Know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover a substance from a solution
- ◆ Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating
- ◆ Give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic □ demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible changes □ explain that some changes result in the formation of new materials, and that this kind of change is not usually reversible,

PE/Swimming

Mrs Robson will continue to teach P.E on Mondays this year. Please ensure your child wears their P.E kit to school on this day. Please ensure they have layers suitable for both indoors and outdoors as we know how changeable the British weather can be!

The usual sporting competitions will continue to take place this term.

Earrings must be removed for PE.

P.E—including swimming is a statutory lesson that all children must participate in.

Like all schools, we have to report on how many children are able to swim. at the end of the academic year.

PSHE

We will continue to use the Jigsaw scheme of work in Spring ;lessons will be delivered by Mrs Norris and Miss Sheridan. Children will focus on Hopes and Dreams by discussing having the highest of aspirations and recognising the importance of team work when talking about goals and possible Career Choices.

Please see your e mails for details of free online workshops for parents around a range of topics such as sleep, ASD, eating disorders.

RE Spring 1

Why do people visit sacred places?
What is a pilgrimage?
Where is Mecca and what is the Hajj?

Spring 2

To understand what happened at The Last Supper.

British Values

We will continue to explore the five British Values of Democracy, Tolerance, Rule of Law, Mutual Respect and Individual Liberty.

Music

Delivered by Tees Valley Music Services

Guitar tuition