



Lingdale Primary School



Year 1 & 2 Newsletter

**“Working Together To Be
The Best That We Can Be”**

P.E.

In Year 1 & 2, P.E lessons take place every **Tuesday** afternoon. We ask that children arrive at school already dressed in their PE clothes. Please be aware that children must remove earrings for P.E. lessons and have hair tied back.

Marvellous Homework! Another huge ‘Thank you’ to the children, parents & carers for making an effort with completing homework. Children will continue to receive one piece of homework on a Friday. They will also receive a sheet to practise a set of spellings – this should stay at home so that they can practise each day.

Homework hand in day: **Wednesday**
Spelling test day: **Friday**

Clothing & Lost property We kindly ask that your child’s uniform and coat are labelled with their full name. Now the colder weather has arrived please ensure that your child has a warm coat and waterproof shoes on as we always try our best to take the children outside for fresh air during break times. A number of children are coming to school in shoes with laces which they are unable to tie themselves. If your child does have lace up shoes for school, please can you make sure that you are teaching the children how to tie their laces at home as this will ensure that they can be independent in school. Thank you.

The Spring term

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope that you had a well-deserved break over the Christmas holidays and had lots of festive fun.

The children have had a brilliant start to the year and have come back settled and ready to learn.

Dates for the Diary

Friday 19th January – Football festival at Skelton (more information to follow)

Friday 9th February – break up for half term

Monday 19th February – return to school

Thursday 7th March – World Book day – come dressed as your favourite book character or wear your pjs.

Friday 15th March – Red Nose day – donate £1 to wear red

Monday 18th March – Egg decorating competition begins

Class trip/experience to be confirmed.

Friday 22nd March – Break up for EasterHolidays

Keeping in touch

All information and updates will continue to come through Dojo messages and updating our class page or chat. Thank you to all those parents who have signed up as we feel that the new system is working really positively to keep good communication with parents.

Water bottles Please ensure that your child has a labelled water bottle in school each day. Children may bring their own from home or a new one can be purchased from the school office. Thank you

Homework & Reading



Reading with your child at home is a crucially important way to support their learning. Reading books together, reading to your child and hearing them read are all key ways to will help your child to develop into an able reader and writer.

We expect to see your child’s ‘Home Reading Diary’ in school every day. We ask that children read at home each night. They will be entered into a prize draw on a Friday if they have **read three times** or more at home.

Just a reminder that the home loan shed is outside out classroom door. We need to leave the doors shut during the Winter months but feel free to open the shed to swap books whenever you want to. We just ask that you use the peg system so that we can keep track of who has which books. Thank you.

The importance of reading Research shows that reading to your child and listening to your child read for just 15 minutes every day significantly helps to develop:

- Speaking & listening skills
- Spelling
- Reading comprehension
- Vocabulary



Maths

Year 1

- ✓ Place Value to 20
- ✓ Addition and Subtraction
- ✓ Place Value within 50
- ✓ Length and Height
- ✓ Mass and Volume
- ✓ Problem solving
- ✓ Number facts and bonds

Year 2

- ✓ Money
- ✓ Multiplication and Division
- ✓ Length and Height
- ✓ Mass
- ✓ Capacity and Temperature

English

In English this term year one children will be focusing on applying phonics they have learnt to their spelling of words and building sentences with capital letters and full stops. Year two children will be focusing on writing accurate sentences with correct punctuation. They will also be learning to add adjectives and use imperative verbs.

Children will be writing short sentences/poems about playing in the snow whilst we read Hungry Caterpillar's First Winter. They will also be learning to write instructions about how to build a snow creature. Later in the term children will be writing simple recounts.

Science

In our Science lessons, children will be learning about seasonal change this half term. They will learn to name the four seasons and talk about their features and associated weather patterns. Next half term, children will be learning about the parts of a plant and what they need to grow and survive.

History

In History, children will be learning about the Neil Armstrong and the first Moon landing. They will learn about his journey to the Moon and how he was the first person to walk on the Moon. The children will also be learning about how Space travel has changed over time.



Geography

In Geography, children will be comparing their local village to a contrasting location. They will learning about a village in an African country and learning to make simple comparisons.

DT/Art

Children will be learning about textiles and using templates and different joining techniques. Children's Art project this half term is Woven Wonders. Children will be learning the art of weaving and completing

Computing

In computing, children will be introduced to programming and they will begin to use simple codes to program a robot on the computer. They will also be completing online safety lessons and creating digital pictures.

SMSC

The theme this term is 'Dreams and Goals.' Children will be talking about their hopes and future. After half term, children begin to talk and learn about being healthy.

R.E

During R.E lessons children will be learning about why the Bible is special to Christians and why they celebrate the Festival of Easter.

P.E

In P.E children will be practising their skills in Dance. After half term they will continue to develop their team building and ball skills.

British Values

Children will be learning about the five British values. We will focus on the themes of respect and tolerance this term.

