

Lingdale Letterbox



Friday 25th October 2024

Working together to be the best we can be



Year 5/6: 96% Good

Year 3/4: 90% Below

Year 1/2: 93.5% Below

Reception: 98.3% Good

**This week's whole
school attendance
93.8%**

**Yearly school
attendance to date:
92.4%**

Target 96.6%

This is the expected standard
for all schools.

What a busy half term it has been! The children have worked extremely hard for the last 8 weeks and so have the staff. Thank you to those parents who managed to attend Parent's Evening this term. It was a great opportunity to look at books and see how your child has settled in.

Thank you for all your contributions to the Harvest hamper and also for contributing so that EVERY child has been on a trip to enhance their learning.

ParentPay—Please could we check all accounts are up to date. This includes trips, dinner money, after school clubs and breakfast club. All clubs, nursery sessions and dinner money MUST be paid in advance for the following week.

Important Reminders UNIFORM—Please put your child's name on all items of uniform. The lost property mountain is growing already. As the days are turning colder, could we also ask all parents to ensure their child has a school jumper or cardigan in school EVERY DAY. As you will be aware, heating costs are at an all time high and we want to make sure our children feel warm and comfortable. Nail varnish is not allowed in school.

Year 1/2 Outdoor Adventure Challenge!

On Tuesday the children in Year 1 & 2 took part in an outdoor adventure challenge - "I am a school child get me out of here!" The children worked together to complete different challenges and showed great team work and resilience. The weather was great and yet again their behaviour was brilliant and they made us proud! Check class dojo for pictures.

Dates for the diary

Break up for October half term—Friday 25th October

Monday 4th November —Return to school after half term

Tuesday 5th November —Fire Brigade Assembly for Bonfire night

Monday 18th November—Road Safety Assembly

Tuesday 10th December—Trip to Sleeping Beauty at Darlington

Wednesday 18th December—Little Explorers and Nursery break up

Thursday 19th December—Break up for Xmas

Do you have any spare wellies at home from small sizes in EYFS right up to an adult size 6/7? If so, we would love you to donate them to school. Thank you

Head Teacher's Awards— Table manners

Lola E -Mrs Robson

Pyper- Miss Plaice

Aaron - Mr Fairbridge

Carma - Miss Gazzard

Breakfast club star- Giypsy

Nursery Star- Hudson

Lunch award is George



What a busy half term!

Our Little Explorers have been exploring colours this half term. We have read 'Brown Bear, Brown Bear' and 'Wow! Said The Owl' which both focus on colours. The children have made fantastic owls in our playdough and gluing areas. They have also enjoyed sensory play with colours.

The children have also been choosing to play in areas that interest them and are beginning to form friendships through their play.



Nursery have enjoyed our focus story 'Alien's Love Underpants'. The children have been talking about what they would take to space and how they would look after our little alien that came down to earth.

They have also created some amazing rockets using junk modelling and aliens with 2d shapes. By making aliens in the playdough and pegging up the underpants on the washing line the children have been development their fine motor skills.



Reception have had a fabulous term of fun and learning. There have been so many successes, such as the children learning phonics so well that they now take home reading books with words. Go Reception! A big adventure was our trip to see the Gruffalo at Billingham Forum. Well done to our brave parents who trusted us to take the children on a trip where the parents didn't come too! It is hard to say what was the biggest adventure; being on a bus with friends and teachers, going to a theatre or the show itself. Whichever it was, the children are certain not to forget the trip in a hurry!



The highlight for Year 1 and 2 was the trip to Saltburn! From the bus journey there to our walk on the pier, the staff and children had a brilliant time. The weather was much kinder on the Friday and the sun even came out. The children were challenged to identify physical and human features in Saltburn and Mrs Thornton was blown away with their knowledge. Miss Plaice and Miss Parvin were also impressed with their excellent behaviour and attitude during the trip.



Years 3 & 4 Living in the world of biomes

The children have really settled into their new year groups with lots of fantastic learning taking place. They have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the rainforest and comparing it with our own biome (temperate forest) with a trip to Guisborough Woods giving them the hands-on experience of how to identify the features of a biome. They have been learning about rocks through many practical enquiries in science - understanding properties of rocks and how fossils are formed (including creating their own). This is alongside some wonderful descriptive writing about their own monsters and learning about place value in maths.



Years Five and Six have packed a lot into the eight weeks of the Autumn term.

Our highlights have been participating in a variety of sporting activities, exploring land use in our village, welcoming scientists from Boulby Laboratory into school, visiting The Life Museum at Newcastle and getting lost in our class text- *The Wolves in the Wall*.

We are now experts on The Solar System and understand how and why we have night and day. We have learned why people used to believe the Earth was flat and have been able to produce evidence to refute this idea! In Art we have enjoyed creating portraits using mixed mediums and poetry.

