

# Parents' Page

## Dates for the Diary

Please see the additional information sheet provided with this flyer.

### 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. Who will receive a Dale postcard first?

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.

### TRIPS

To enhance our history topic, we aim to visit the Land of Iron in Skinningrove. We will send more information when we know dates and cost.

### General Reminders

Free Breakfast Club 8.10am

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.

# ★Year 3 and 4 News★



## Welcome Back—Autumn 2025

Welcome to a new school year filled with lots of learning opportunities.

We continue to follow the three school rules of being safe, respectful and ready and the further understanding of our school values of kindness, ambition, resilience, respect, fairness and teamwork will further support the development of the children.

We are pleased to welcome our new Year 3 children to the class and welcome back our Year 4s. Miss Sheridan will be working alongside me in helping your children thrive and grow into confident and enthusiastic learners.

We want you to always feel comfortable talking to us about any successes the children have alongside any concerns. You can either send us a Dojo message or email school to make an appointment ([office@lingdale.lingfieldtrust.org.uk](mailto:office@lingdale.lingfieldtrust.org.uk))

We have already had a great start and we are looking forward to a fantastic year.

Mr Fairbridge and Miss Sheridan

### YEAR 4 FAMILIES

#### Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

At the start of June, all Year 4 children will take a timed multiplication tables check. They will be asked 25 random questions up to  $12 \times 12$  and we are hopeful that all of our children can excel at this.

We need your help in supporting them. Regular practise of their times tables at home through Times Table Rock Stars or just on the spot questioning will help with their confidence.

When the date is closer, we will arrange a meeting for you all to come and find out how this will work.

### Enrichment Opportunities

You should have all received a copy of the fantastic range of after school clubs available this term and all of them are free! Have you signed up yet as places are limited?



## English



We will be having a strong focus on the basics of grammar in Autumn 1. Both spoken and written grammar is of high importance at Lingdale.

It is crucial that the basic skills of writing are embedded to allow the children to take pride in their work. Daily handwriting practise and sentence work will support with this.

This term we will be writing to inform and to entertain with some fantastic opportunities to read books from amazing authors. Our reading lessons will support the children with their fluency and understanding of texts through focused questioning. Please ask them questions about Characters and storylines within their reading books to support this.

## Maths

Autumn team has a detailed focus on number beginning with understanding place value. We will learn how to partition numbers that have 4 digits and recognise the value of each of them. We will also understand how to add and subtract using mental and written methods. Alongside number, we will be learning about geometry through learning about right angles and perpendicular & parallel lines

We want to ensure that all children remember as much information as they can so we will be having daily retrieval practise and a focused fact fluency session allowing us to practise basic mental maths and develop our multiplication skills.

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## Our History focus for Autumn 2

**Local History Study:** Children will learn more about their heritage through an in-depth study of ironstone mining that occurred in the region. They will learn about how Lingdale came to be and the conditions they would encounter by working down a mine.

When we learn about history, it is important that the children understand the impact that historical events have on today and compare now with then. This provides them with opportunities to understand how events shape the future.

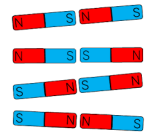
We are hopeful of taking the children to the Land of Iron in Skinningrove to have a hands on experience of life in the mine.

## Our Geography focus for Autumn 1

### What is the geography of the UK?

We will be learning about regions and counties in England before exploring what a city is and comparing our region to the region of Greater London. Each lesson we will explore a different learning question that will develop the children's geographical skills and knowledge. To support this, children will use maps and atlases and raise their own questions to explore.

## Science



### Forces and Magnets

We will be developing our understanding of contact and non-contact forces through a range of enquiry questions and using practical science to enhance our learning.

Children will begin to understand and explain what forces are, what gravity is and question how objects can move on different surfaces.

They will work like a scientist by explaining their findings and design experiments.

## Homework/Reading

All pupils in years three and four will be given one piece of homework a week. This will be given out on a Friday and expected back on the following Wednesday. Children can ask for support with this in school and Mr F. is available most breaktimes to help when needed.

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

Online safety is an integral part of being a digital citizen and to this end we will have a dedicated online safety lesson every half term.

This term, we will be exploring online safety in more detail before learning the importance of effective searching on the internet.

This will be followed by an understanding of how to use PowerPoint presentations to design effective presentations for their peers.

## Science Autumn 2

### Animals Including Humans

We will enhance the learning from D.T. through learning more about the nutrition we require to be healthy. We will explore what animals need to stay healthy and understand what a balanced diet is.

We will also understand the function of the skeleton and muscles in our body and how they support with protection and movement.

We always try to give children practical opportunities to deepen their learning as this allows them to work like a scientist would.

## PE

This year, P.E will be delivered by our sports coach Ellie on a Tuesday and Mr Farrier on a Friday 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!

Sports events will take place throughout the year so check diary dates for when these will be. Earrings must be removed for PE.

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



## PSHE

We will continue to use the Jigsaw scheme of work in Autumn. The focus for the first half term is Being Me In My Own World where Miss Sheridan will talk with the children about who there are and where do they fit in.



The second half term will focus on Celebrating Difference. This unit explores how we are all unique and includes work on anti-bullying.



Celebrating Difference

## RE Autumn 1 Buddhism

Is it possible for everyone to be happy?

## Autumn 2 Christianity

Has Christmas lost its true meaning?

## British Values

Ask your child to tell you about democracy, tolerance, mutual respect, individual liberty and the rule of law.

## D.T./Art

In Autumn 1, the children will be learning about cooking and nutrition through designing and creating alternative biscuits in D.T.. In the second half of the term, children will focus on their artistic skills through power prints.

## Music

Through the Charanga scheme of work, we will be exploring different music genres and songs to sing and learning to use instruments to join in.