

Welcome Back– Autumn 2026

A very warm welcome to all of the new Year 3 families and welcome back to the Year 4s. We are so excited about the year ahead with many opportunities to develop and grow.

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

We have an extremely busy term (and a long one) where we will be ensuring the children understand the expectations but also learn in an environment where they can thrive and be themselves.

We want you to always feel comfortable talking to us about any successes the children have alongside any concerns. The easiest way to do this is through Class Dojo which is checked and responded to daily throughout term time.

Mr Fairbridge and Miss Sheridan

YEAR 4 FAMILIES

At the start of June, all Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

They will be asked 25 random questions up to 12 x 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.

Kind regards,
Mrs Norris

Monday—Lego Club (3:10—4:00)

Tuesday—Multi-Sports (3:10—4:00)

Wednesday—Dance Club (3:10—4:00)

Thursday—Art Club (3:10-4:00)



Kind regards,

Year 6 Team

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.

Following this, the children will be reading a fantastic picture book called GOTCHA and using creative writing to describe characters and events of their own to add to the story.

This will be followed by poetry where we will write a Halloween in the style of the poems we will be reading.



Maths

Autumn team has a detailed focus on number beginning with revising how to add and subtract across 10 followed by the understanding place value of digits. We will learn how to partition numbers that have up to 4 digits and recognise the value of each of them. We will also understand how to add and subtract using the column method to do this.

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 mental maths session allowing us to practise basic mental maths and develop our multiplication skills.

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Our Geography focus for Autumn 1

What and where are our forests and rainforests?

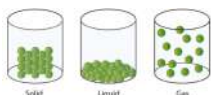
We will be exploring the local area through a visit to Guisborough Woods and understanding what plants and animals live there. This will be followed by exploring the features of a rainforest and comparing them to our own forests. We will also learn about the ways in which rainforests provide the planet with resources and the damage deforestation is doing. To enable us to do this, we will be using a range of geographical skills that includes fieldwork and enquiry.

Science

States of Matter

Children will be learning about the three different states of matter (solid, liquid and gas) and the properties of each of them. They will undertake practical investigations to learn why different materials and substances take that shape.

This will be followed by understanding evaporation and condensation and why materials change states.



Reading

Reading is integral to a child's future successes. We will be giving them a daily reading lesson alongside a session where children can enjoy a book read by an adult.

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 email.

This will be followed by an understanding of how to use desktop publishing to design eye catching information through digital means.

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Autumn 1

Does Visiting the Ganges make a person a better Hindu?

Autumn 2

What is the most significant part of the nativity story for Christians today?

British Values

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

Our History focus for Autumn 2

The Stone Age. We will be learning about the earliest form of man. First, we will understand how long the stone lasted and why it was split into three periods of time.

We will learn about the ways in which people lived during this period and their methods of communication. Finally, we will learn about their developments; some of which still impact us today. It is important that we understand how to work like a historian. To achieve this we will be using different sources to learn about history, understand continuity and change, what was the same and what was different about different periods and understand that chronology is the passing of time.



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

PE

P.E will continue to be delivered by our sports coach Ellie on a Tuesday this year. Children will also have another P.E. session with 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—including swimming is a statutory lesson that all children must participate in!



Art

We will be using mixed media to create prehistoric pieces of art.

D.T.

Children will be learning how to use mechanical systems to create moving Christmas cards

Both subjects will be taught by Miss Sheridan

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.

Dates for the Diary

Tues 1st September PD DAY 1
Wed 2nd September –PD DAY 2
Thurs 3rd September– School reopens to pupils

Thurs 17th September Class trip to Guisborough Woods TBC

Thurs 22nd October - Break up for half term
Mon 2nd November—Return to school

Fri 18th December—Break up for Christmas

For all other dates please see the attached sheet.

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 award Dojos to children for making the right choices and demonstrating excellent attitudes to school. They can then convert these to get prizes from our Dojo trolley depending on how many they have gained.

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 have a high expectation of uniform at Lingdale and expect children to be wearing their uniform every day. If children are not in uniform, they will be given a school jumper to wear and be reminded of the expectations.

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

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 previous years 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 undertake maths retrieval from this point which is an important way of practising previously taught skills.

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