

# Parents' Page

Year 5/6 Residential



We have been extremely lucky to secure three days at the outdoor adventure centre which is Barhaugh Hall. This magnificent building is set in over 9 acres of land and lies on the Cumbria / Northumbria border.

Children visiting the centre will not only get to experience new and exciting challenges but will have the opportunity to grow in confidence and discover new skills and abilities whilst being lead and guided all the way by the fun and highly motivated staff team.

Robinwood offers a variety of Challenging, team building activities both indoor and outdoor— depending on weather conditions.

Three days at Alston would usually cost £155 plus £700 for transport. Fortunately, school is in the position to be able to supplement over half of the cost and all of the transport which means the price is only £75 for an amazing three day experience.

## 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. Well done everyone.

However, on occasions, 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 washed over us in the assembly hall!

However, just so standards are clear please remember...

★ Nail varnish is not allowed.

★ Jewellery should be kept to a minimum— plain studs only.

## Eden Camp



On Tuesday 2nd October, we will be visiting the much-acclaimed Eden Camp. Children will get the opportunity to see all twenty-nine huts the focus of which varies from the rise of Hitler and the Nazi party to the role of women in the war. All of which help bring history to life. On a lighter note, there is a Dig for Victory garden and a junior assault course where we can blow off some steam!

Entrance into the camp costs £4.00 and the cost of the coach is £-. We appreciate your donations which ensure your child receives the broadest and richest of experiences.

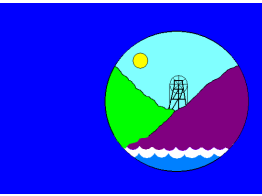
A letter giving more details is to follow.

## General Reminders

As stated on last week's newsletter, all children are now expected to be on the playground ready to line up at 8.45am. Evidence from last year showed that pupils who arrived in school on time outperformed those who were late. Bedtime routines and calm settled starts to the day are essential and we thank you for your support with this.

Each child has been provided with a free, new stationery kit and pencil case which they will be fully responsible for.

# ★Year 6 News★



## Welcome Back— Autumn 2018

A warm welcome to Year Five and Six! Although we have only been back for four days, the children have impressed us with their attitude to learning!

As this is the final year at Lingdale Primary School for some children, we look forward to working with you to make this a most memorable year. We very much want your child to be happy at school and to make excellent progress.

Although we are now lining up on the playground, we still want to be approachable. 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!

## Class Assembly

Pack up your troubles and come and see our assembly on Thursday 18th October.



## 2019 SATs

SATs Week 2019  
Monday 13th - Friday 18th May

Although it may seem a long way ahead, we all know how quickly time flies by and wanted to inform you of these important dates. From day one, your child will be working upon strengthening their current knowledge in order to achieve their full potential. We understand that this can be a trying time for some. However, staff will endeavour to provide every opportunity possible to support the children. Our only requirement is that they do their best and try hard. No more can be expected.

## English

Across the term, we will be delving into Michael Morpurgo's 'War Horse' which will provide an insight into World War I and the historical perspectives it provides. We will be using this text as a stimulus to write our own stories and explore the unique bond between Joey and Albert. We will debate the use of animals in wars and expect some heated exchanges!

GPS (grammar, spelling and punctuation) is a huge part of our Y5/6 curriculum and we will begin by consolidating past elements before introducing higher-level terminology such as *modal verbs*, *past progressive* and *determiners*.



## 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?

- \* This term we will continue to build on our rapid recall of all the times tables (practise makes perfect!) along with squared and cubed numbers.
- \* We will focus initially on place value and basic arithmetic skills- although we are aware that there are many gifted mathematicians amongst us so a high level of challenge will always be maintained.
- \* Children will need to apply efficient methods to increasingly complex and lengthier prob-

## History, Geography and Art + Design

Over the next term, we will be looking into answering many of the questions already posed by the children to help them gain historical perspectives and understand historical concepts.

Your child will be involved in many new learning experiences:

- \* Researching the causes of the wars and discovering who the true heroes were.
- \* Exploring life as a soldier, in particular trench warfare.
- \* Understanding significant events such as the Blitz and the Battle of Britain.
- \* Creating their own battleground/Blitz images.
- \* Designing and creating their own Anderson shelters.

# Our themed work for autumn 1 is the centenary of World War I



# Our themed work for autumn 2 is Children in World War II



## Homework

All pupils in years five and six will be given two pieces of homework a week. Maths and English 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 lunchtime. Home reading also plays an integral part of homework. At Lingdale, pupils are encouraged to read at home four times a week. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

## Computing

Over the autumn term, we will be focusing upon keeping ourselves safe when using ICT alongside exploring the multiple services networks can provide.

- \* Word processing
- \* Presentations
- \* Spreadsheets

## PE

As usual, Mrs Bell will be teaching Physical Education. After this week, lessons will revert back to Monday afternoons and swimming will resume on 19th September.

- \* Please ensure your child has a kit suitable for both indoors and outdoors as we know how changeable the British autumn weather can be!
- \* Children will apply skills and tactics suitable for attacking and defending and play competitive games such as hockey and tag rugby.

## PSHE

Although PSHE is a non-statutory subject, at Lingdale we know that personal, social, health and economic education is vital.

- \* PSHE is ongoing and is often addressed through specific lessons as well as aspects of other subjects.
- \* Across the year, we will explore anti-bullying, mental health, and family issues. All of these issues are addressed delicately with the support of Mrs Stephenson.

## Science Animals + their Habitats

Our children will be exploring how living things are classified into broad groups according to characteristics and based on similarities and differences.

Children will be taught how to give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.



## RE

- \* Why is Muhammad (PBUH) important to Muslims?
- \* Why is the birth of Jesus important to Christians?
- \* Why is the Buddha important for Buddhists?
- \* How do Buddhist beliefs affect the way Buddhists live their lives?



## French

Sentence building  
Masculine and feminine nouns