



Reception Autumn Newsletter



Welcome to our first newsletter which will give you a broad outline of what your child will be learning this term. The first two weeks will focus on settling in, establishing routines and creating a class charter. We hope the curriculum information supports you in encouraging your child's learning development at home. You will be aware that we are joining the Lingfield Trust– which means that we benefit from the expertise of a wide range of staff while continuing to keep the ethos of our family school.

Communication and Language

- Developing listening skills
- Answering simple questions about a story
- Learning familiar rhymes and songs
- Talking about experiences



Physical Development

- Manipulating objects with good control
- Moving in different ways
- Developing pencil control and grip



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Gaining independence when choosing where to play
- Tidying up resources when finished
- Building positive relationships with adults and peers
- Following classroom routines and boundaries



Literacy



- Joining in and exploring simple stories and rhymes
- Exploring mark making techniques
- Distinguishing between marks they make
- Identifying main story setting and events
- Beginning to blend sounds into simple words
- Labelling with some initial sounds
- Writing own name

Mathematics



- Reciting numbers to 10 through songs, stories and in their play
- Subitising to 5 using resources and fingers
- Exploring patterns
- Comparing size, mass and capacity
- Comparing quantities up to 5
- 1 more and 1 less than
- 2D shapes

Understanding the World

- Naming and describing familiar people
- Using their senses to explore
- Talking about autumn
- Sharing news and remembering special times shared with their friends and families
- Developing an understanding of different cultures



Expressive Arts and Design

- Using story telling in role play
- Using a range of techniques
- Experimenting with colour
- Exploring different sounds



Topic

We will explore a range of fiction and non-fiction books beginning with 'The Gruffalo', and learn about woodland animals and their habitats. The children will have opportunities to engage in a range of themed activities and provision areas. We will then look at seasonal changes and talk about autumn. We will also be learning about celebrations including Halloween, Diwali, Bonfire Night and Christmas.

Clothing

Children have daily access to the outdoor area so please ensure your child wears appropriate clothing when the weather becomes colder. We can provide children with a pair of wellies and waterproof clothes when needed.

Please ensure all clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name.



Postcard from Dale

Have you received a postcard from Dale? Dale is Lingdale's school mascot. Children who work hard or achieve something special will receive a postcard.



Jewellery and P.E

Children should only wear studs to school and should be removed for P.E if possible.

Reception children will need to come to school wearing their **P.E kits every Thursday.**



Reading books

Reception children will begin by taking home a picture book and reading record. Please encourage your child to talk about what is happening on each page. They could make up their own story to match the pictures. Please sign and write any comments in your child's reading record. If they receive three signatures from home, they will be entered into a book draw in Friday's assembly to be in with a chance of winning a new book! Reception children will also choose a story book to take home for you to read to them. Please ensure book bags are in school every day.

Scrap materials

We would really appreciate any scrap materials for our creative area e.g. cereal boxes, kitchen roll tubes, yoghurt pots, plastic containers, plastic milk bottles, corks and plastic bottle tops. No toilet roll tubes please. Thank you.

Contact information

Keep up to date with what's happening in our class by 'liking' our school Facebook page (@lingdaleprimary) and visiting our class page on the school website: <https://www.lingdaleprimary.co.uk/eyfs/>

School contact number: 01287 651723

Mrs Springgay's email address:
reception@lingdale.org

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

**Thank you
Mrs Latheron, Miss Wnek and
Mrs Springgay**



Dates for your diary

- School photographs— Thursday 14th September
- Reception class trip to Margrove Heritage Centre— Thursday 28th September
- McMillan Coffee Morning (parents invited)- Friday 29th September
- Harvest Festival (parents invited)— Friday 27th October 1pm
- Last day of term—Friday 27th October
- PD Day—Monday 6th November (school closed)
- Parents' evening— Tuesday 7th November 3-6pm
- Children in Need Day— Friday 17th November
- Christmas Fayre (parents invited) — Thursday 7th December 2pm
- KS1/Reception Christmas Performance (parents invited) — Wednesday 13th December 10.45am start
- EYFS Christmas Party morning— Wednesday 20th December
- Return to school Tuesday 9th January
- Christmas jumper and Christmas dinner day—Thursday 21st December