

Parents' Page

Mon 8th January PD day – school closed

Tues 9th January Children return to school

Friday 12th January 100% attendance
Headteacher's Breakfast

Monday 15th January After school clubs start

Tuesday 16th January– Height and weight checks Y6

Wednesday 31st January Y5/6 Basketball competition

27th Jan– 4th February National Story Telling Week

5th- 11th February Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 6th February Safer internet day

Friday 9th February Break up for half term

Monday 19th February Back to school

Thursday 7th March World book day – come as your favourite book character or wear your pjs

8-17th March National Science week

Friday 15th March Red Nose Day – donate a £1 to wear red

Monday 18th March Decorate a boiled egg for Easter competition

Tuesday 19th March Decorate egg competition judging

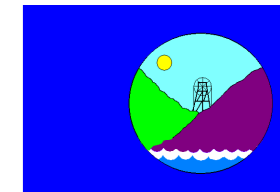
Wednesday 20th March Easter Disco £2 ticket including hot dog and drink 4-6pm

Thursday 21st March World Maths Day

2 year olds and Nursery break up for Easter

Friday 22nd March Rec – Y6 Break up for Easter holidays (2 weeks)

Year 5 & 6 News



Welcome Back– Spring 2024

A warm welcome back to Years Five and Six! We hope you have all had a happy and restful break. Although we have only been back for a few days, the children have impressed us with their attitude to learning! Upper Key Stage 2 looks slightly different this year; Miss Gazzard will now be teaching Science on a Thursday pm. Swimming has stopped– the children now have PE on a Wednesday with our new Sports Coach Lewis followed by music delivered by Mrs Dye. Art/DT will now take place on a Friday pm– delivered by Miss Sheridan, who continues to teach PHSE and to run the School Council. Class Dojo is now very much part of our daily routine– we hope you are enjoying hearing it “ping” whenever your child does something amazing! 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! (Y5/6@Lingdale.org)
Kind Regards Miss Gazzard and Mrs Dye

2024 SATS

SATS Week 2024
Monday 13th - Friday 17th 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 challenging 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.

Good attendance & punctuality ARE VITAL.

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 dojos, stickers, certificates and prizes for the fantastic attitudes we have seen. Have you received a Dale postcard yet? 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.

General Reminders

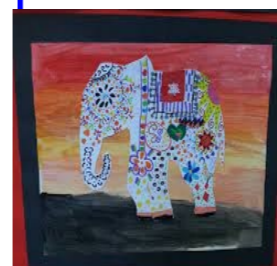
Breakfast Club– Paid –7.30am
Free– 8.00am—last admittance-8.20am

Children who attend 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 8.40 am. 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.

When Miss Coe goes onto maternity leave, Mr Bates will be taking over the running of Breakfast Club.

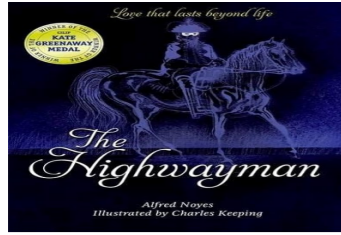
Enrichment Opportunities

Mrs Dye's Lego Club-Monday
Miss Parvin's Cookery Club-Monday
SCSS Multi-Sports-Tuesday
Mrs Robson's Sewing Club-Wednesday
Lewis' Football Club- Wednesday
Miss Sheridan's Art Club -Thursday
Y6 Boosters—Thursday



Letters went out today notifying places allocated

English



We will be reading, analysing and re-writing parts of this famous poem by Alfred Noyes in Spring 1.

In the second half of the term we will be studying *The Eye of The Wolf* by Daniel Pennac. Language comprehension, decoding and developing fluency are essential components of reading.



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? Do they use TTRS at home?

Y5 will be introduced to the formal method of long multiplication and division alongside more fraction work. Year 6 will be focusing on ratio, algebra and the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages in Spring 1.

Both year groups will move onto perimeter, area and statistics in the second half of the term.

Grammar and Spelling

New spellings will continue to be given out every Monday with tests taking place on a Friday. We will be revisiting noun phrases, basic sentence starters, compound adjectives and the rules of dialogue this term. Children MUST be secure with the basics of grammar—please, when reading and spelling with them—ask them to tell you the job of the word in the sentence. Eg barked= regular past tense verb/ swam—irregular past tense verb might, may, shall, shan't—modal verbs hastily, gingerly, anxiously—adverbs in a silent fashion, in a flamboyant manner—adverbial phrases

Art and Design Technology

The focus for the Spring term is Craft and Design with the children learning about Architecture and carrying out observational drawings. They will look at buildings such as The Shard, La Sagrada Familla and The Empire State Building.

Our History work for Spring 1 is finding out who the Anglo Saxons were and why they settled here. We will learn about their culture and Christian heritage.

Our Geography focus for Spring 2 will be looking at significant mountain regions of the world; we will find out about locations and climates.

Science

Living Things and their Habitats

Pupils will learn about the following

Animals are typically classified based on a number of physical features. For instance, animals that don't have a backbone (invertebrates) and animals with one (vertebrates). Fish, amphibians, reptiles, and birds are classed as vertebrates. Invertebrates are animals with soft bodies such as jellyfish, worms and octopi.

Introduce the concept of the 5 different classification groups known as Kingdoms

Reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics

Homework/Reading

All pupils in years five and six will be given one piece of homework a week. This 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 breaktime. Home reading also plays an integral part of homework. 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

We will mainly be learning about computer science. This will be through computer programming using the programming language of Scratch.

We will also learn about how to create online quizzes that are used for a variety of reasons but mainly how we can collate data to get answers.

Every half term, we will be exploring an element of E-Safety with this term's focuses being online bullying and managing our information online.

Science

Animals including humans

Pupils should be taught to:

- identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood
- recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function
- describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans

PE

Our new coach, Lewis will be teaching P.E this term. As there is a basketball competition approaching, the focus for Spring 1 will be on invasion games. Children will apply skills and tactics suitable for attacking, defending and playing competitively; as well as developing the key skill of sportsmanship.

Please ensure your child wears their P.E kit to school **every Wednesday**. Please ensure they have layers suitable for both indoors and outdoors as we know how changeable the British weather can be!

Earrings must be removed for PE. P.E—including swimming is a statutory lesson that all children must participate in. Swimming

PSHE

We are increasingly aware of the need to address young people's mental health. Personal, social, emotional and mental health issues are addressed throughout the year. Miss Sheridan will be delivering the Jigsaw scheme of work.

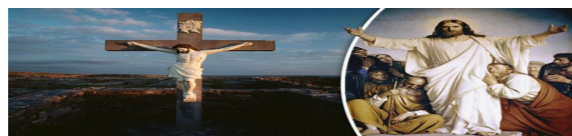
★ PSHE is ongoing and is delicately addressed through specific lessons as well as aspects of other subjects.

★ Across the Spring term, we will be focusing on Dreams and Values followed by Healthy Me.

RE

How do religions respond to prejudice and discrimination?

Why are and Easter important to Christians?



Good Friday Day the most days for Christians

French

Miss Gazzard will now be teaching French. We will be looking at clothes and getting dressed followed by learning weather words.

Music

The children will continue to develop their ability to sing and evaluate music with a focus on Adele's "Make you feel my love" and The Fresh Prince of Bel Air