



Lingey House Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter 27 – 28th April 2023

Nursery Parent Consultations

On Tuesday, 16th May we are inviting Parents/Carers of our Nursery children to attend a Parent Consultation meeting for their child in school. These meetings will be held throughout the day as well as some before/after school and are planned to last no longer than 10 minutes. Appointments are available to book online from 6pm tonight using Arbor. Please contact the school office if you have any problems booking your appointment.



School Meals & Online Payments

From Monday 15th May, we will be using Arbor for all online payments including School Meals. This means we will no longer be using ParentPay. Please ensure you have downloaded your Arbor app in preparation for this change.



NEU Industrial Action – Further Strike Days

As I am sure you are aware, teacher members of the National Education Union (NEU) have voted to carry out industrial action and have announced their intention to further strike.

They have named the following dates as planned strike days for our region:

Thursday 27th April 2023, Tuesday 2nd May 2023

Many of our teachers are in the NEU and plan to follow their union's advice to strike.

I can confirm that on the above two dates, our school will be partially closed as follows:

Nursery (30 hours and 15 hours) – Closed

YRA and YRB – Closed

Y1A and Y1B – Closed

Y2A and Y2B – Open – Y2 children to attend as usual

Y3A and Y3B – Open – Y3 children to attend as usual

Y4A and Y4B – Closed

Y5A and Y5B – Closed

Y6A and Y6B – Open – Y6 children to attend as usual

Please note that unlike on previous strike days, Y6A and Y6B are to attend school as usual.



I understand that this will cause disruption to children and parents and that many of you will have to make alternative childcare arrangements. However, the decision to strike has not been taken lightly by our teachers. The NEU are planning more days of industrial action later in the term- they plan to confirm these on 18th May. Once I have further information about these dates and staff's intentions on these dates, I will inform you. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

King Charles III Coronation

As a school, we will be celebrating the coronation of King Charles III on **Wednesday 3rd May 2023**. The children will complete various activities to mark the occasion in school and, weather permitting, enjoy an afternoon tea-style picnic lunch outdoors as a whole school. The children may attend school wearing red, white or blue non-school uniform on this day. We look forward to coming together and celebrating as a whole-school community.



Summer Fayre

We are very excited to announce that our school PTA will be organising a Summer Fayre this year following on from the success of last year's event. We are looking for both volunteers who are interested in helping to organise and run our fayre and small businesses who might be interested in running a stall. If you're interested in getting involved, please contact school and ask to speak to Miss Kayleigh Bell.



Baby and Toddler Group – spread the word!

Our baby and toddler group ran by Hannah (our family support worker) and Early Years staff will start on Monday 15th May – in the Lodge.

Until we can identify the interest in our group, we will be limiting this to siblings of our pupils but will open this to the wider community if spaces are available.



Football Trials

Year 3 & 4 Boys Trials – Thursday 4th May and 11th May after school.

We have entered a year 3 & 4 competition that will take place on the 18th and 25th May at a school in the local area. We are looking to select 9 people for the 7-side competition. Children do not need to book a place; they can turn up and try out for the team.



Our scientists in year 4 have been learning about sound and how it travels. We explored different ways to visualise sound vibrations.



First, we placed grains of rice on a tambourine and hit it. Then we wrapped elastic bands around objects and plucked them. Finally, our personal favourite, we tapped a tuning fork on a table before placing it into a glass of water. Our young scientists loved feeling the tuning fork vibrate in their hands and watching its energy transfer into the water causing it to splash out of the container.



Opal - Welcome to the forest!



This week in Opal our children have been having an absolute blast in the forest school area! You may already know that our forest area plays host to den building, where the children can unleash their creativity and build their fine and gross motor skills by creating dens. However, did you know that our forest area also gives us plenty more opportunities to further our children's development?



Through the forest, we have the opportunity to get really down and dirty. We can investigate all those mini-beasts that may be hiding under logs and stones; use the natural world to make wood sculptures and mud paintings and role play in our mud kitchens and willow huts. We love our forest area, so here are some photos to show you what we have been getting up to this week! If you think you can enrich our outdoor play by providing any natural resources, we would be very grateful!



We would love to be able to continue to improve the quality of play for our children and **you** could help. If you have any of the following lying around and unused, or even if you know/work for any companies that would be willing to donate to the school, we would be very grateful:

- **Loose parts:** Wooden pallets/ plastic crates/ tarpaulins/ PVC piping/ guttering/Ropes/ buckets/ garden pots
- **Toys:** Diggers/ cars/ dinosaurs/ animals
- **Crafting materials:** Recyclable waste/ fabric/ materials/ cardboard boxes
- **Natural Resources:** Logs/ Stumps/ Large branches



Nursery Update

This week in Nursery

In Nursery this week, we have enjoyed learning about healthy eating. We talked about different fruit and vegetables and used the vegetables to make stamps for our pictures using paint. We even got to taste lots of delicious fruits like Kiwi, pineapple, and raspberries which we then made into a smoothie we used words such as "sweet" "sour" and "juicy" to describe them. Throughout the week, Nursery have also visited the forest on a 'senses walk', they explored all the different sounds they could hear and objects they could see as a group and then collected lots of sticks to use as musical instruments back in class. We then had great fun making lots of noise with the sticks playing with different rhythms to the music. We also celebrated Eid (celebration of breaking the fast) this week, we looked at lots of pictures, sang some songs and we talked about the importance of giving and sharing. Some of the Children that celebrate Eid at home also shared some gifts and treats with the children.



Library

This week your child will be coming home with a library book to share at home. Please take care of the books and the folders as we are wanting to promote a love of reading and a care for reading at school. Each week, your folder and book needs to be returned on a Thursday, we will change these with the children, and they will be handed out on a Friday. Please feel free to add comments and photos about the books onto Seesaw to share with the class.



Sunflowers

Before the Easter holidays we planted some sunflower seeds in Nursery and sent them home. If your Sunflower has grown, AMAZING! Please could you upload a picture to SEESAW so we can show the rest of the class as they have been curious about how tall they have grown.

Coronation Day

On Wednesday we will be celebrating the Kings coronation. The children are welcome to come in Red, Blue and White clothes as we will be having our own tea party.



Reminders

Please can everyone ensure they are checking See-saw weekly for updates, notices, and homework tasks. We share photos on Seesaw each week, which the children love talking about what they have been doing at home. This could be a photo of them doing the homework task, or something else they have enjoyed doing.

Please could we also ask if your child has gone home with any spare clothes that you return so we can reuse in school. Can we also please ensure your children's jumpers have their names on and check that you have the right jumper/cardigan as we have had a few missing this week, Thank you!

There are also several wellies missing from over the Easter holidays, can everyone ensure they have a pair of NAMED wellies left on their peg each day, and put in a NAMED plastic bag (separate to the bag of clothes).



Thank you again for your contribution to Snack money this week, this enables us to provide food tasting and snacks, so it is very much appreciated!

Let's Celebrate!

Attendance

Each week, the class with the best attendance will have an extra 10 minutes of playtime.

If any class has 100% attendance, they will have an ice cream/hot chocolate playtime!

	This week's attendance	Class	This week's attendance
YRA	93.75%	Y3B	98%
YRB	93.1%	Y4A	96.88%
Y1A	95.83%	Y4B	94.23%
Y1B	96.55%	Y5A	97.41%
Y2A	90%	Y5B	95.16%
Y2B	93.33%	Y6A	94%
Y3A	86.67%	Y6B	93.2%
Whole school attendance:		93.64%	



This week's Superstars

I would like to say a huge well done to all this week's superstars – watch out for their special certificate given out in Assembly! Our superstars for this week are as follows:

Year Group	Superstars
Reception	Learah S and Mya T
Year 1	Ava C and Louie W
Year 2	Charlie H and Jack O
Year 3	Summer M and Jayden B
Year 4	Olivia M and Lacey H
Year 5	Sophia I and Lola B
Year 6	Kadie W and Jacob A



Times Table Rockstars



Biggest Increase in Speed	Class
Carmen F	Y4A
Leo H	Y3B
Lexi-Mae D	Y4B
Correct Answers	
Leo H	Y3B
Brodie C	Y4A
Maya C	Y4B
Golden Guitar Winner – Y4B	



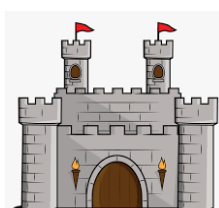
Golden Welly

Each week our children and staff are looking for people who are playing well or being creative to nominate for this award. The award remains in class all week and children will bring a certificate home.

The award goes to **Adam N Y4A**

This week's House Tokens

This week's winner is **Bamburgh!**



Bamburgh	360
Hylton	345
Warkworth	350
Lumley	325
Dunstanburgh	310
Alnwick	220

Dates for the Diary

Date/time	Event	Who's involved
Friday 28 th April - 2pm	SEND Coffee afternoon and drop-in	All parents/carers
Monday 1 st May	Early May bank holiday - school closed	Whole school
Tuesday 2 nd May	NEU Industrial Action	Only Y2, Y3, Y6 to attend school
Wednesday 3 rd May	Whole School Coronation Celebration (see newsletter)	Whole school
Monday 8 th May	Bank Holiday – King's Coronation – school closed	Whole school
Tuesday 9 th May – Friday 12 th May	Year 6 SATs Week	Y6 children
Monday 15 th May	Baby and Toddler Group starts	Siblings of Lingey children (until numbers are determined)
Monday 15 th May – Friday 26 th May	Year 2 SATs	Y2 children
Tuesday 16 th May	Year 2 visit to the Mosque	Y2 children and staff
Friday 26 th May	Geography Showcase Day	Years 1-6
	Saltwell Fun Run (TBC)	TBC
	Break up for half-term holiday	Whole school
Monday 5 th June	Occasional Day – school closed	Whole school
Tuesday 6 th June	INSET Day – school closed	Whole school
Wednesday 7 th June	Children return to school	Whole school
20 th /21 st June	Year 4 visits to the church	Y4 children
4 th /5 th July	Year 5 visits to the church	Y5 children
Friday 21 st July	Break up for the summer holiday	Whole school

Quote of the Week

**If you can dance
and be free and not
be embarrassed,
you can rule the world.**



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Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

If you have any concerns or queries, please don't hesitate to contact me on 0191 4381287 or via email at:

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Best wishes,
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(Headteacher)