



Lingey House Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter 23 – 10th March 2023

NEU Industrial Action

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 strike.

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

Wednesday 1 February 2023

Tuesday 28 February 2023

Wednesday 15 March 2023

Thursday 16 March 2023

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

I can confirm that on **Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March**, 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 – Closed



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.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Red Nose Day

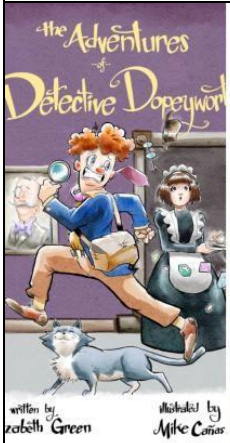
Next Friday (17th March) is Red Nose Day. To raise awareness of this charity event, children can come into school wearing a piece of red clothing, a red accessory or Red Nose Day merchandise. There really is no expectation to buy something especially for the occasion and children can wear as much or as little red as they like, e.g. a red hairband, a red tshirt etc. Children can incorporate some red into their school uniform or wear non-uniform.



Donations for Red Nose Day can be made using the following link – please do not send cash into school. <https://app.parentpay.com?ParentPayShop?Foc?Default.aspx?shopid=11278>

SEND Coffee Afternoon

We're excited to share that, next month, we will be launching our first SEND coffee afternoon. Many of our parents of children with additional needs have shared that they would love to speak to other families in similar situations and we're always keen to improve the provision we offer in school. Our first coffee afternoon will be an opportunity to get to know each other and gauge interest but, in future, we would love to theme the meetings and possibly even have support sessions, guest speakers and updates on services available for our families. The coffee afternoons will happen on the last Friday of every month from 2-3pm, allowing parents to collect their children at the end of the school day. We would love to see you on Friday 24th March at 2pm!



Famous Author at Lingey House!

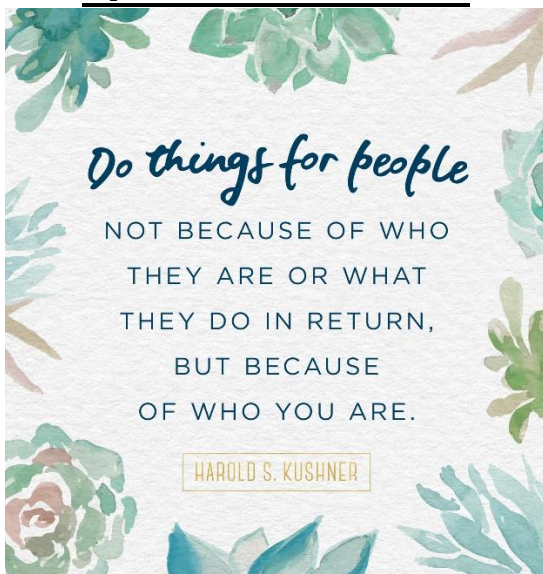
Last week, children in Years 3 and 4 received a visit from Liz Green, an author from Yorkshire. She has very kindly offered to sign some of her latest books (*The Adventure of Detective Dopeyworth*) for the children to purchase. The paperback copies are £7 each and the hardbacks are £10. If you would like one, please could the children bring in the correct money in a sealed, named envelope by Friday 18th March.

WhatsApp Groups – This problem is still ongoing!

We have been made aware that a large number of children in our Year 5 and 6 classes are part of a group WhatsApp group. Whilst this is something that we don't want to discourage as it helps the children to socialize, there have been several reports of inappropriate content being shared in these groups, including sexual content, discussion of drugs, foul language, saying unkind things about children in the group, blocking children from the group and using names and images of Lingey House staff. While this is something that is happening outside of school, we have a duty of care to our children and staff and we urge parents/carers to check their child's phone activity.



Quote of the Week



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: lingeyhouseprimaryschool@gatehead.gov.uk

Best wishes,
Chloe Wilkinson
(Headteacher)

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	91.07%	Y3B	92%
YRB	97.78%	Y4A	94.64%
Y1A	96%	Y4B	95%
Y1B	95.86%	Y5A	100%
Y2A	94.48%	Y5B	98.39%
Y2B	96.67%	Y6A	92.4%
Y3A	94.14%	Y6B	94.56%
Whole school attendance:		95.15%	



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	Lincoln S and Lia E-U
Year 1	Taylor H and Logan D
Year 2	Carter F and Eliza S
Year 3	Darcie D and Lily D
Year 4	Kenver H and Lexi O
Year 5	Pearl P and David R
Year 6	Daniel C and Jayden N

Times Table Rockstars

	Biggest Increase in Speed	Class
	Sophie L	Y4A
	Charlotte G	Y4A
	Amelia Y	Y5A
	Most Minutes Played	Class
	Shay C	Y2B
	Brodie C	Y4A
	Wyatt C	Y4B
Golden Guitar Winner		Y4A
Well done everyone!		



Out of School Achievements

We need your help ... we want to add a regular section to our celebrations section which acknowledges the amazing achievements our pupils have experienced out of school. We would love our pupils to bring in any certificates, medals, trophies etc to share with the whole-school in our Friday celebration assembly. We ask parents to also send in a little description and/or some photos via email so that we can include it in this section of our newsletter.

A huge well done to ...

Olivia in Y4!

In December, Olivia took part in dance exams at her theatre school. On Saturday, Olivia found out that she had received a merit for each of the three exams; tap, jazz and theatre craft and was awarded with certificates and medals. We are so proud of you Olivia - well done!



A huge well done to ...

Evie, Emilee and Emily!

At the end of February, Evie, Emilee and Emily travelled to Disneyland Paris to perform with their Dance School. What an amazing opportunity for the girls to perform at such a wonderful place! We are very proud of you all - well done!

