

# Newsletter 21 – 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Lingey House Primary

and Nursery School

#### Dear Families,

Wow, what a busy half term we have had in school with lots of fantastic work and activities taking place. As you are all aware, Ofsted have been in school this week. I am unable to share any details of the inspection but I can say that our children were amazing as always and we are so proud of them. As a reward, the ice cream van has been in school today and we have all had a yummy treat. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our amazing staff team for their hard work and dedication and wish them a fun and well-deserved break. I hope you all have a lovely week and that the weather stays bright. Best wishes, Chloe Wilkinson



### **Coffee Morning**

Hannah, our Family Support Worker is continuing our coffee mornings. These take place every week, on a Thursday morning from 9 – 10am in the Lodge. Please come along, everyone is welcome!

### Reading & Library Book Amnesty

After the Autumn term when we have reviewed our lovely libraries, we have noticed that we seem to be lower on books. We understand books can be taken home and sometimes forgotten about. If this is the case and you have any school reading or library books at home, we would be extremely grateful if you would send them back into school either with your child or drop them off at the main entrance in our book amnesty box. We want our children to have as much choice as possible when it comes to selecting a book to take home to read. Thanks in advance for all your support!



PLEASE RETURN ANY SCHOOL READING OR LIBRARY BOOKS



### World Book Day

As a school we will be celebrating World Book Day. We like to give our families the opportunity to come into school during our coffee mornings, every Thursday at 9am in the Lodge, to look through fancy dress costumes for your child.

We would also be grateful if anyone has any donations, please could you speak to Hannah, our Family Support Worker or contact the school's office.



### Household Support Fund

The Household Support Fund (HSF) is a government scheme. £3.6m is available to support Gateshead households in the most need up to 31 March 2024.

Householders can also apply for individual help from the fund. You may be eligible for help from HSF if:

- you are a householder in Gateshead
- your household is in need of support
- you fit the other criteria for the application process at the time

we have funds available

Please see the link below, to the Gateshead Council Webpage, to apply. If you require support, please see Hannah, Our Family Support Worker.

https://www.gateshead.gov.uk/article/20077/Household-Support-Fund

### School Meal Menu Change

The school meal menu will change for week commencing the 26<sup>th</sup> February, Tuesday's meal option will be the Gammon slice, roast potatoes and veg, Wednesday's meal will be the Minced pork pie, mashed potato, vegetables and gravy. All other days will stay the same as the printed menu's.

### Year 3 & 4 Cheerleading Breakfast Club



We are delighted to announce that we running a 4-week cheerleading breakfast club on a Tuesday morning 8-8:45am (27th February – 19th March). The club will be working with coach Julie as they design and deliver a number of routines using pomp poms and ribbons. They will perform these routines at the Newcastle Eagles vs Cheshire Phoenix on Friday 22nd March and all the children, who attend the club will receive a free match ticket. Any year 3 or 4 child who would like to be part of this fabulous experience please book onto the club via\_arbor. Anyone that wants to support the group and watch the game for a discounted price, please purchase at the office for £10 per ticket, they are normally £20.

#### Year 4 DT Sewing Topic

Year 4 would like to invite the children's parents/carers into school on Thursday 21st March in the afternoon to support the children with their DT sewing topic.





## Easter Raffle

It's that time of year again and the PTA are organising our annual Easter Raffle. As always, we're always looking for donations so, if you're out shopping, and can pop an extra egg in the trolley we'd really appreciate it! Donations can be made to the school office after half term.

#### World Book Day

Please see below menu for World Book Day on the 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024.



Marvelous Mains:

Mr Fox's Fantastic Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap 🥳

or Magic Finger Veggie Hot Dogs in a roll

Served with:

Supertatos Amazing Waffles Augustus Gloops Spaghetti Hoops Squad Farm Peas BFG Giant Mixed Salad

Dangerous Dessert: Charlies Chocolate & Orange Sponge with Chocolate Waterfall Sauce

> or James Peaches & Ice Cream



### After School Clubs

We are excited to offer new clubs for this half-term. Please book your child's place via Arbor. Places are limited **so please only sign up to one place per child**. We will let you know if there are any spare spaces available.

Day	Club	Year	Ran by	Places
Monday	NUFC Football	Year 6	NUFC	Places available –
-				please book via Arbor
Tuesday	Cheerleading	Year 3 &	Cheerleading Coach	Places available –
		Year 4	Breakfast Club	please book via Arbor
	Dance	Reception	Miss Attwood	Places available –
				please book via Arbor
	Story & Craft	Year 1	Miss Smith	Places available –
				please book via Arbor
	Easter Bible &	Year 3	Miss Flecknell	Places available –
	Craft			please book via Arbor
	Photography	Year 5	Mrs McCallum & Mrs Goulty	Places available –
			Brown	please book via Arbor
	Dodgeball	Year 5	NUFC	Places available –
				please book via Arbor
	Mixed	Year 3 &	Mr Rippon & Mr Bloomfield	Places available –
	Football	Year 4		please book via Arbor
	Board Games	Year 3 &	Miss Hamilton	Places available –
		Year 4		please book via Arbor
Wednesday	<b>y</b> Basketball	Year 6	Mr Burrell	Places available –
				please book via Arbor
	Easter Crafts	Year 1	Mrs Crawford & Mrs Martin	Places available –
				please book via Arbor
Thursday	Mindfulness	Year 2	Mrs Cook & Mrs Masson	Places available –
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	Karate	Year 2	Miss Langman	Places available –
				please book via Arbor

### Dates for the Diary

Date/time	Event	Who's involved
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	Break up for half term	Whole School
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Back to school	Whole School
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 4 DT Sewing	Year 4 Parents/Carers
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Disco	KS1 & KS2
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Break up for Easter	Whole School
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Back to school	Whole School
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Break up for half term	Whole School
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Occasional Day	School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET Day	School closed to all pupils
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Back to school	Whole School

### EYFS Newsletter Nursery

Nursery have had a lovely week together; we invited all our friends and family into nursery to play with us. We shared our message board, stories and songs so that they could see how our daily routine runs. The friends and family members loved playing in our areas and in the garden. Thank you to everyone who came. We also appreciate all the feedback on the parent/carer voice sheets, we will take these into



#### Reception

We had a Valentine's Day themed Forest School this week! Reception B's Forest school will be coming to an end soon and it will be time for Reception A's time soon!



#### **Reminders**

**Snack Money** – thank you to those who are donating towards our voluntary snack donation each week, this allows us to enjoy a nice snack and cook with the children. If you are wanting to donate weekly (even as little as 50p), please give this to the class teacher on the door.

**Updates** - please remember to check seesaw weekly for homework tasks and photos of your children. Remember to upload photos of your child at home doing things they enjoy; this way we can share them together with their friends. We use seesaw as a communication and language tool to support children's confidence and language of talking about things that are important to them.

Library Books – please can all Nursery parents return library books on a Thursday to be changed and returned on a Friday.

**Praise Notes from Home** - if you have achievements from home that you want to share with us, praise notes are available from your child's classroom door-just ask!

**Bags and Wellies** – please ensure your child returns to school with their bags of spare clothes and bag of wellies after the half term please.

#### **Collections**

**Dentist** – after half term we will be opening a dentist surgery in nursery. Please start saving any empty toothpaste tubes, brushes, toothpaste boxes and leaflets please!

**Food Packaging** – to enhance our home corner we are wanting food boxes that the children eat at home e.g., cereal boxes, pizza boxes, nuggets etc

**Recycling** – we need boxes, tubs, kitchen roll tubes, bottle tops, cake trays, bottles for our junk modelling, we would be grateful if you could begin to collect these for the children to model make with. Thank you.

Loose Parts – for our outdoor area we are in need of sticks, stones, pebbles, leaves, logs, rope, flower petals etc

Thanks Miss Hamilton, Miss Smith, Mrs Clydesdale and Mrs Cook

### **Opal Update**

#### Wait, den Building in assembly?



Yeah, you read that right! The play team noticed that den building was a little less populated than usual and what we mean by that is there aren't as many noisy children stomping around. Is it the mud? Possibly. Are the children out of ideas? Surely not. Whatever it is, we had to get to the bottom of it to ensure that den building is the best it can be!

So, in last week's assembly we decided to test our children by asking what makes a good den? However not only did we test the children, we tested the teachers too! Teachers' vs children, 5 minutes whoever makes the best den wins! And who did the children chant for to win during the competition? The teachers... why?



From the assembly our children deducted that we need materials to build with; a good spot (maybe even a secret spot that nobody knows) and most importantly our imagination!

Since the assembly the den building is back! Who knows, maybe the children just needed to see den building in action again or maybe they just want to build a better den than the teachers.



#### Why would we want old pushchairs?

Simple. The kids love them. Strap your mate in, find a nice clear path and GO!

Not only would you be clearing some space at home, you would also be slapping a giant smile on our children's faces!

So, if you have any lying around, please let us know! We are always taking donations for loose parts. Thank you.

We are always looking for ways to better our playtimes and would be ever so grateful of any donations you could give to help us improve our loose parts provision.

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#### Loose Parts donations:

- Recycled tyres
- Pallets
- Wooden or plastic crates
- Guttering and PVC piping
- Wood and timber
- Logs/branches and driftwood
- Ropes
- Large traffic cones
- Old traffic/street signs
- Tarps
- Troughs/tough trays
- Large plastic compost bins/container
- Cable reels
- Wheelbarrows
- Seeds/Plants and trees
- Musical Instruments

If you have any weird and wonderful objects that you aren't sure we will take don't hesitate to ask us. We would love a jet plane but will happily settle for an old boat... Thank you!





<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Class</u>	This week's attendance		<u>Class</u>	This week's attendance	
Each week, the class	YRA	91.6%		Y3B	95.2%	
with the best attendance will have	YRB	93.9%		Y4A	96.4%	
an extra 10 minutes	Y1A	88.5%		Y4B	95.9%	
of playtime.	Y1B	84.8%		Y5A	96.1%	
If any class has 100%	Y2A	93.3%		Y5B	96.6%	
attendance, they will	Y2B	90.3%		Y6A	97%	
have an ice	Y3A	96.6%		Y6B	91%	
cream/hot chocolate playtime!	Whole S	School Attendance:		93.44%		
	<u>perstars</u>	Year Group	Supe	<u>rstars</u>		
I would like to say a		Reception	Grac	Grace M & Eric M		
huge well don	Y1	Willow	Willow J & Aria B			
this week's sup	Y2	Grac	Grace L & Jak C			
watch out for their spea	Y3	Lexi- <i>I</i>	Lexi-May A & Jessica M			
certificate given out in	Y4	Tilly D	Tilly D & Jack K			
Assembly! Our supersto	Y5	Nicol	Nicole G & Aleksander D			
this week are as follows	5:	Y6	Pearl	P & Finle	ey G	
Timos Tablo Pockstars						

#### **Times Table Rockstars**



Biggest Earner	Class
Jack S	Y5B
Georgie G	Y6B
Chloe J	Y6B
Biggest Increase in Speed	
Darcie D	Y4A
Dean K	Y5A
Alexis T	Y3B
Minutes Played	
Evie C	Y4B
Jack S	Y5B
Brodie C	Y5A
Golden Guitar Winner – 2A	

#### This week's House Tokens

This week's winner is <b>BAMBURGH!</b>	Bamburgh	110
	Hylton	70
	Warkworth	100
	Lumley	80
	Dunstanburgh	60
	Alnwick	65





A huge well done to... **Aria!** 

Aria competed at Durham City pool last weekend in the Valentine's gala. She swam 9 races and beat her personal best in every race by massive amounts! Aria came away with 3 silver medals and 3 bronze medals. This has been an amazing achievement for Aria.

#### Well done, Aria.

### A huge well done to... Gracie!

Gracie attends swimming lessons, she has completed her Level 3, Rainbow Distance, 10 metres and Water safety. She has received awards for all of these.

Well done, Gracie.





### A huge well done to... Evelyn!

Evelyn competed in her first Cheer competition with her team, Shimmer from North East Cheer. Her team received an excellence award they were amazing for their first time on a competition floor.

Well done, Evelyn.

### A huge well done to... Oscar!

Oscar competed in a swimming gala. and his truly excelled himself. He managed to bring home a gold, silver and a bronze medal, he has also beat every one of his personal bests in each swim throughout the weekend!



Well done, Oscar.



### A huge well done to... Max and Ivy!

Max and Ivy both performed in their happy feet presentation day and they were brilliant!

Well done, Max and Ivy.

### A huge well done to... Georgia!

Georgia completed her first dance presentation at The Fed Brewery on Sunday 11th February with Happy Feet Dance. She received a medal and certificate which she was very excited about.

Well done, Georgia.



## A huge well done to... Matthew!

Matthew gained 4 badges at cubs and is working towards his next badge.

#### Well done, Matthew.

### A huge well done to... Evie, Emily and Emilee!

The girls took part in their dance school (Happy Feet Dance) presentation on Sunday. They received a certificate and medals.

Well done, Evie, Emily and Emilee.





### A huge well done to... Emily!

On the weekend Emily received her level 5 badge and certificate in trampoline gymnastics. She's been working extremely hard every week to achieve this.

Well done, Emily.

### A huge well done to... Logan!

Logan has passed Rookie lifeguard Silver 1,2 and 3 so is moving into Rookie lifeguard Gold next week!

Well done, Logan.

