

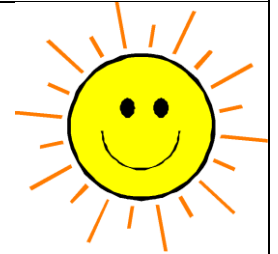


# Lingey House Primary and Nursery School

## Newsletter 30 – 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wow, what a busy half term we have had in school! The children and staff have worked so hard and achieved so much; they are definitely ready for some time off. Hopefully the weather will stay nice and we can all enjoy some time in the sunshine. Thank you all so much for your support, encouragement and working with us to provide the very best for our Lingey Ducks!



Have a lovely half term- don't forget, we return to school on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June!**

Best wishes, Mrs Wilkinson

### It's getting pretty wild out there... - OPAL

What is rewilding? Well, our play ambassadors did a fantastic job of sharing what they had learnt with the whole school in this week's assembly. They informed us that rewilding is returning an area to its more natural state. Why is it so important? Once again, our ambassadors knew the answer... Rewilding an area encourages life to thrive, creating new habitats for insects and positively impacting our environment.



So, with that in mind our children took to the outdoors to begin rewilding our very own school grounds. They put on their gardening gloves, grabbed a spade and began planting trees! In school. We have now planted 7 new fruit trees, with the hopes of soon planting some wildflowers.



Not only have the children been involved, so too have the staff! Mrs Ingle (one of our fantastic play team members) has been hard at work creating a bug hotel for all creepy crawlies to relax in, and the fabulous Mrs Wood has been hard at work reweaving and maintaining our lovely willow huts. Check out the photos and see for yourself.



## **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.

In addition to looking for volunteers to help with our fayre, we are now also looking for donations. If you have or know of any local businesses who might be able to donate a raffle prize for our fayre, please contact school and ask to speak to Miss Kayleigh Bell.



## **School Meals & Online Payments**

Since Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May, we have been 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.**



## **SEND Coffee Afternoon**

Our SEND Coffee Afternoon will continue to run on the last Friday of each month. The purpose of the Coffee Afternoon is to give parents the opportunity to chat to each other and to access a drop-in service to ask our SENDCO Miss Bell any questions you may have relating to your child's progress and the provision we offer here at Lingey House. Our next Coffee afternoon will take place on **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June**.



Our meeting on **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June** will be particularly exciting as we will have the first of hopefully many SEND specialists coming into school to work with our parents. Shona Chambers, who is a sleep practitioner for children and adults with additional needs, will be coming in to run a session supporting parents of children with additional needs with strategies which promote a good night's sleep. Shona works for Contact, an organisation which specialises in working with the families of young people with additional needs.

**A little about Contact** - Contact were founded in the 1970s by families of disabled children, who recognised that even if their child's conditions were different, they shared a common experience – of being a family with a disabled child. They understood how important it is to support each other. Contact feel that a lot has changed since then but some things haven't changed nearly enough. There is a desperate lack of services and support for the 620,000 parents in the UK who care for a disabled child. As a result, families face a huge range of challenges and many feel isolated and alone. Coping with extra financial costs and practical challenges can put an enormous strain on daily life, with families more likely to face emotional issues, stress and anxiety.



Contact's aim is to support families, bring families together and help families take action for others. Their vision is that families feel valued and are strong, confident and able to make the decisions that are right for them.

**If you are interested in taking part in the coffee afternoon on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June, please contact school and ask to be added to the list. We think this will be a particularly popular event and would like to ensure we host everyone in a large enough space!**



## **Nursery Updates**

This week in Nursery we loved going on to the big yard with the parachute singing lots of songs and games in the sunshine.

We loved exploring the new Role Play Area: Ice Cream shop, we talked about the different flavours they would pick, practised paying for lollies and giving polite customer service. In the Ice Cream shop, we currently have ice cream bowls, sprinkles, Ice lollies and a picnic area to enjoy the tasty treats.

We have also been talking about the importance of Sun Safety this week, such as keeping hydrated by drinking lots of water throughout the day, wearing sunglasses and sunhats and most importantly sun cream.

We have also been busy chalk smashing; this week we took different coloured chalk onto tuff trays and smashed them making different colours. We talked about when certain colours are mixed, they can make a brand-new colour. The children loved using the messy chalk to practice their mark making skills across the yard.

Throughout the week we have also been practising different mindful breathing techniques and taking part in some yoga to encourage keeping our minds and bodies healthy, the children have shown some great listening skills whilst taking part in these activities.

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Huge congratulations to Jude and Willow in Nursery, they have both completed their Level 1 in Gymnastics, we are so proud of you!

### **Reminders**

We will be sending your child home with their bag of spare clothes; please could you ensure your child has underwear, trousers, a top and socks. Please bring Library books in on THURSDAY ONLY and these books will be swapped. Your child will come home with a new book on the FRIDAY. Thank you for your cooperation!

### **Sun Cream**

Please can we ask you to put summer hats and sun cream on your child before coming into Nursery as the weather is getting warmer. For the 30HR children we will also help the children reapply their sun cream throughout the day. **If your child has any allergies to sun cream, please could you let us**

**know!**

### **Collections**

Thank you for the kind donations of props and crafts for the Ice Cream/Sweet shop. The children absolutely love the new role play area!

We are still looking to add to our Ice-cream role-play:

- Squirty sauce bottles
- Empty Ice-cream tubs (big & small), spoons
- Plastic cones
- Lollypop sticks
- Pom poms... we will use these as the ice-cream toppings (all different sizes and colours). You could even have a go at making these at home!



Have a lovely Half Term! Thanks, Nursery Team x

## **Baby and Toddler Group – spread the word!**

Our baby and toddler group ran by Hannah (our family support worker) and Early Years staff runs every Monday in the Lodge (9-11am). We have some spaces available so we are opening this up to anyone in the community.



## **Year 4 Parent/Carer Events**

Our Year 4 children would like to invite their grown-ups into school on 21<sup>st</sup> June from 9:30am – 11am. The children would like your help to make a fastening for a fabric book sleeve.



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!

	<b><u>This week's attendance</u></b>	<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>This week's attendance</u></b>
YRA	90%	Y3B	98.67%
YRB	97.93%	Y4A	97.14%
Y1A	99%	Y4B	98.72%
Y1B	98.97%	Y5A	91.38%
Y2A	89.64%	Y5B	95.81%
Y2B	97.33%	Y6A	90.8%
Y3A	94.33%	Y6B	97.6%
Whole school attendance:		<b>94.51%</b>	



## **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:

<b><u>Year Group</u></b>	<b><u>Superstars</u></b>
Reception	Archie R and Amber C
Year 1	Josh I and Jak C
Year 2	Carlton W and Shay C
Year 3	Maddie F and Ava G
Year 4	Poppie W and Jackson A
Year 5	Leon H and Justin S
Year 6	Stevie W and Florence R



## **Times Table Rockstars**

<b><u>Biggest Increase in Speed</u></b>	<b><u>Class</u></b>
Carmen F	Y4A
Edward G	Y3B
Freya G	Y5A
<b><u>Correct Answers</u></b>	
Edward G	Y3B
Brodie C	Y4A
Maya Cook	Y4B
<b>Golden Guitar Winner – Y4A</b>	

<b><u>This week's House Tokens</u></b>	This week's winner is <b>Hylton!</b> 	Bamburgh	180
		Hylton	260
		Warkworth	205
		Lumley	160
		Dunstanburgh	175
		Alnwick	185

**Out of School Achievements**

We would like to say a huge congratulations to Finlay on his amazing football achievements. His fantastic football skills were spotted by both NUFC and SAFC and both academies offered him a contract. After a lot of thought, Finlay decided to sign a contract with Sunderland Academy. I am sure this is just the start of many amazing things for Finlay. We are so proud of him- well done!




**Dates for the Diary**

Date/time	Event	Who's involved
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Break up for half-term holiday	Whole school
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Occasional Day – school closed	Whole school
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET Day – school closed	Whole school
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Children return to school	Whole school
20 <sup>th</sup> /21 <sup>st</sup> June	Year 4 visits to the church	Y4 children
21 <sup>st</sup> June 9.30-11am	Year 4 parent/carer event	Y4 Parents/carers
4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 visits to the church	Y5 children
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Break up for the summer holiday	Whole school

**Quote of the Week**

Keep your eyes lifted high upon the sun ---  
and you'll see the best light in everyone.



- Tess Guinery

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: [office@lingeypouse.org](mailto:office@lingeypouse.org)

Best wishes,  
Chloe Wilkinson  
(Headteacher)