



Lingey House Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter 1 - 9th September 2022

It is with great sadness that we hear of the death of Queen Elizabeth II. We have spent time today, in assembly, to begin to reflect and celebrate the Queen's extraordinary life.

We share the words of our new King, Charles III:



"We mourn profoundly the passing of a cherished Sovereign and a much-loved Mother. I know her loss will be deeply felt throughout the country, the Realms and the Commonwealth, and by countless people around the world. During this period of mourning and change, my family and I will be comforted and sustained by our knowledge of the respect and deep affection in which The Queen was so widely held."

We will think about how best to mark our gratitude for her incredible service to our country, in the coming days, and we will follow any guidance issued.

Welcome Back

I hope you have all had a lovely summer and that you are all feeling refreshed and ready to go. It is wonderful to see all our pupils and staff back (smiling)! We are sure the start to the new term has been particularly exciting, or maybe a little nerve-racking, for our newest pupils (and their parents) starting Nursery and Reception. We have been delighted with the way our youngest pupils have settled so far and we are confident all new children and their families will quickly get to grips with school routines.



Times of the School Day

School has always finished at 3.15pm for all children but this was changed during COVID to allow for a staggered end and start to the day for everyone's safety. We are now ready to go back to normal timings of the school day:



Reception, KS1 and KS2

8.55am- registration (doors open 8.45am)

There will be a soft start to the morning. Children can enter school from 8.45am to 8.55am and complete wellbeing activities. The school day starts at 8.55am and children must be in school by this time.

3.15pm End of the day

Nursery times

30 hours- 8.45-3.15pm

15 hours am- 8.45 - 11.45am

15 hours pm- 12.15pm-3.15pm

School Uniform Expectations

Our school uniform consists of:

- navy blue sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan
- polo shirt in white or sky blue
- grey skirt/pinafore or trousers
- black shoes or plain black trainers
- wellies (these must be kept in school)
- navy blue book bag or small backpack (we have limited space)



Logos Unlimited is our supplier- it has a shop at Team Valley (close to the Retail Park) where you will be able to buy your child's uniform from stock. There are garments available to try on in the shop and, in response to parent demand, they also offer an online ordering service. Please see the link below for details of items available.

In the interests of safety, jewellery should not be worn.

Please mark all belongings clearly with your child's name and class. All wellies MUST be labelled.

PE Kits

During COVID, children began coming into school in their PE kits on their PE days. This has had a real positive impact:

- no time is wasted in getting changed
- children do not need to worry about getting changed in front of others
- children with sensory issues do not need to change or put back on clothing e.g. socks

Therefore, we have decided that children will continue to come into school on PE days in their PE kit (see timetable below).

PE kit consists of:

- plain white t-shirt or polo shirt
- navy joggers or shorts
- navy school sweatshirt
- plain black trainers

NO LOGOS OR FOOTBALL KITS TO BE WORN. We have taken a more relaxed approach to this in the past year but now we are doing this longer term, we need to ensure that agreed PE kit is worn.

If children come to school in incorrect PE kits, parents will be contacted.

PE Days

Reception - Monday & Friday (Starting 26th September)

Year 1 - Monday & Wednesday

Year 2 - Monday & Friday

Year 3A (Mrs Goulty Brown)- Monday (Swimming) & Tuesday

Year 3B (Mr Rippon)- Tuesday & Wednesday (Swimming)

Year 4 Wednesday & Thursday

Year 5A (Mrs Wrightson/ Mrs Lillie)- Tuesday (Swimming) & Thursday

Year 5B (Mrs Langman) - Thursday & Friday (Swimming)

Year 6 - Tuesday & Friday

After School Clubs

We are delighted to offer a wide range of after school clubs this half term. These will start next week and run 3.15-4.15pm. All clubs will be FREE OF CHARGE.

Day	Club	Year	Ran by	Places
Monday	No clubs due to staff meetings			
Tuesday	Multi-skills Club (inside)	Year 1	Mr Burrell	Places available - please see the office
	Boot Camp/ Circuit training (outside)	Year 4	Mrs Jackson	Places available - please see the office
Wednesday	Media Club	Year 4	Miss Mather	Places available - please see the office
Thursday	Multi-skills Club (outside)	Year 2	Mr Burrell	Places available - please see the office
	Dance	Year 3	Miss Mather	Places available - please see the office
	Football	Year 5 & 6	Mr Bloomfield & Mr Rippon	Places available - please see the office
	Art Club	Year 6	Mrs Dellow	Places available - please see the office
Friday	No Clubs			

Wellies!

We are beginning our Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) journey which means we are making our breaktimes and lunchtimes much more fun. We will be outdoors in wetter weather and soon, indoor playtime will become a thing of the past. This means that children will each need a pair of wellies in school (labelled with their name) from nursery up to Year 6. Please send in named wellies with the children as soon as possible.



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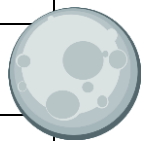


LONG TERM STUDIES

We're all kickstarting our year with a whole school biology focus, learning about animals (including humans). We will finish the academic year with another whole school biology focus, learning about living things and habitats in our local area. Throughout the year, we'll also conduct **long term studies**.

Check out what our projects will be:

Year 1	<p style="text-align: center;">Seasonal Changes</p> <p>The children will photograph one area of our school grounds every week. They will then put this together to create a video, viewing seasonal changes throughout the year.</p>
Year 2	<p style="text-align: center;">Plants</p> <p>The children will monitor the height of a plant like a throughout the year, tracking its growth.</p>
Year 3	<p style="text-align: center;">Plants</p> <p>At the start of the year, the children will plant herbs and vegetables, to harvest in the summer.</p>
Year 4	<p style="text-align: center;">Living Things & Habitats</p> <p>Linking in with changes to our school grounds, the children will recognise and monitor threats and changes to habitats in our school environment.</p>
Year 5	<p style="text-align: center;">Earth & Space</p> <p>Throughout the year, the children will track the lunar phases.</p>
Year 6	<p style="text-align: center;">Living Things & Habitats</p> <p>Our oldest children will track some of the invertebrate population in our school grounds. They will produce line graphs to identify changes and will come up with suggestions to enhance invertebrate habitats.</p>



EYFS Update

Every week, our EYFS team (Nursery and Reception) will produce a section for the newsletter so that we can see what our youngest children in school are getting up to in school.



This week the children have settled into school and have started to form some great friendships. They have enjoyed getting to know members of the team, exploring their new classroom environments and playing both inside and out. We have been particularly impressed with their kindness and enthusiasm!



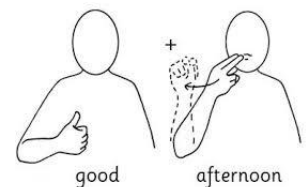
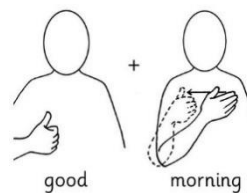
The children have been given a log in for Seesaw. This is one of our methods of communication at Lingey House and staff in EYFS will use it to upload 'WOW' moments and key pieces of information. You can also upload photos and videos from home, too! We will also send information out via our eSchools app and Facebook.



Thank you to Nursery parents and carers who have donated this week towards snack.

Next week we will start to learn new Makaton signs and symbols.

Here are the two signs we will be learning:



The EYFS Team x

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 playtime!



<u>Class</u>	<u>This week's attendance</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>This week's attendance</u>
YRA	95.51%	Y3B	100%
YRB	90.8%	Y4A	97.62%
Y1A	96.67%	Y4B	96.43%
Y1B	97.22%	Y5A	91.11%
Y2A	96.11%	Y5B	100%
Y2B	100%	Y6A	92.21%
Y3A	97.78%	Y6B	95.83%
Whole school attendance:		96.6%	

This week's Superstars

I would like to say a huge well done to all this week's superstars - watch out for their special postcard in the post! Our superstars for this week are as follows:



<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Superstars</u>
Reception	Jacob H and Jamie B
Year 1	Tommy L and Alfie G
Year 2	Oliver H and Blake G
Year 3	Ivy H and Alisha T
Year 4	Nicole G and Grace W
Year 5	Leon H and Lilly A
Year 6	Jacob I and Zach A

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@Gateshead.gov.uk

Best wishes,
Chloe Wilkinson
(Headteacher)

