



Lingey House Primary and Nursery School



Newsletter 22 – 20th February 2026

Health News

There have been some cases in school of expected Scarlet Fever. Here are some of the symptoms to look out for and some steps to help prevent the spread.

Regularly washing your hands

Respiratory hygiene (access to tissues, "Catch it, bin it, kill it")

Regular cleaning of the most commonly touched surfaces (i.e., door handles, hand rails, desks etc) environmental cleaning are some of the best ways of preventing the spread of infection

Scarlet Fever

Scarlet fever is a contagious infection that mostly affects young children, and is easily treated with antibiotics.

Call your GP practice if you or your child has the following symptoms:

- A bumpy rash
- Fever
- Sore throat
- 'Strawberry' tongue
- Swollen tonsils

See a GP if you or your child:

- have scarlet fever symptoms
- do not get better in a week (after seeing a GP)
- have scarlet fever and chickenpox at the same time
- are ill again, weeks after scarlet fever got better – this can be a sign of a complication, such as [rheumatic fever](#)
- are feeling unwell and have been in contact with someone who has scarlet fever

Scarlet fever spreads very easily. Check with a GP before you go in. They may suggest a phone consultation.

World Book Day

At Lingey House Primary School we will be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 5th March**. Teachers are busy planning exciting lessons and events designed to get all children engaged in reading for pleasure. As part of this, Reading Ambassadors have suggested that all children come to school in pyjamas with their favourite book to share with their classmates. £1 World Book Day tokens will be given out in conjunction with our book fair beginning Friday 20th March.

WORLD BOOK DAY

We're fundraising for World Book Day & you're invited!

Book Fair

Back by popular demand...

Lingey House Scholastic Book Fair!

The book fair will be held after school in the Large Hall from

Friday 20th March - Wednesday 25th March

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

COME TO OUR BOOK FAIR

and earn **FREE BOOKS** for our school!

GO ALL IN.

National Year 5 Book Day

We will be stocking many popular titles and all children will be able to redeem their £1 World Book Day token.

Cash and contactless payments accepted via our card reader.

Y6 Sponsored Walk

On **Wednesday 11th March**, some of the Year 6 pupils will take part in a sponsored walk to raise funds for their trip to London in the Summer term. They intend to raise money to cover travel costs for the trip and will be collectively walking **278 miles** (the distance from Lingey House Primary school to the London Eye) within the local area.

The walk will take place during the afternoon and we will be sharing a Go Fund Me page with our school community. Children will need to wear PE kit and trainers for the walk expected to take approximately 1hr 45 minutes.

Any additional funds raised will be put towards Y6 Leavers celebrations reducing the cost for parents and carers so any children not attending the residential are welcome to take part.



DONATIONS VIA OUR GO FUND ME PAGE

Y4 Residential – June 2026

Year 4 students have the opportunity to have a residential at Lingey House, camping overnight on

Thursday 18th June – Friday 19th June.

There will be activities such as archery, fire lighting, a water fight, circus training, an assault course and many other camping past times. More details to follow after half term.



Y5 Ford Castle Residential

Payment Schedule as follows:

2nd payment - £90 by Friday 20th February

Final payment - £90 by Friday 24th April



Y6 London Visit

Now we are in 2026, the countdown to our end of Year 6 Residential to London is officially on!

Thank you to parents/carers for all payments so far.

Reminder that the final payment of **£149** is due on **22nd April 2026**.



Toddler Group

Our toddler group has moved to a Monday afternoon 1:30 – 2:30pm in the main school.

The Toddler Group is open to the whole community. Cash donations are welcome each week.



Toys in school

To keep school safe and fun for everyone, please make sure children leave toys, make-up, and keyring toys at home. These can easily get lost or cause distractions. Thank you for your understanding and support!

Headlice

We have been notified of cases within school, please check your child over the weekend and treat if necessary. The reported cases have been in early years however please be vigilant and check regularly.

Swimming Gala

We are incredibly proud of our Year 5 and 6 swimming team who took part in the Gateshead School Sports Partnership Swimming Gala on Wednesday 18th February.

They represented our school brilliantly and came home with lots of medals – Gold in Freestyle, Silver in Breaststroke and Bronze in the Medley Relay!



Well done to all of our amazing swimmers! 🏊 🏆

After School Clubs

At Lingey House, we have always been proud to offer a wide range of clubs across the school that enrich our pupils' experiences and support their personal development. Moving forwards, to help us continue providing these opportunities, we will be kindly asking for a small contribution of **£5 per child for a 5-week block** to help cover running costs. Please note that for certain clubs, such as Cooking Club, the contribution may be slightly higher due to the cost of ingredients and materials.

**Clubs will run from 2nd March - 2nd April
3.15pm until 4.15pm - Collection from the School Office.
Bookings open tonight at 4:30pm.**

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain these valuable activities for our children.

Day	Club	Year	Ran by	Places
Monday	Phonics	Y1	Mrs Atkinson	Places available – please book via Arbor
Tuesday	Breakfast	Y3/Y4/Y5	Coach	FULL
	Cheerleading			
	Football	Y5/Y6	Mr Rippon & Mr Burrell	Places available – please book via Arbor
	Easter Crafts	Y2	Mrs Masson & Mrs Crawford	Places available – please book via Arbor
Wednesday	Magic	Y2/Y5	Mrs Moyle & Mrs Wood	Places available – please book via Arbor
	Sports	Y3/Y4	Mr Burrell	Places available – please book via Arbor
Thursday	Easter Crafts	Y3/Y4/Y5	Mrs Dellow & Miss Hughes	Places available – please book via Arbor
	Dance Festival	Y4/Y5/Y6	Miss Mather & Mrs Lynn	FULL

Article 15: You have the right to be with friends and joining clubs.

Donation

A huge thank you to Micro Scooters for generously donating safety helmets and scooting accessories to our school. Their fantastic range offers something for everyone, from toddler scooters to adult scooters. We truly appreciate your support in helping keep our children active and protected!



Changes to School Menu

World Book Day is on **Thursday 5th March**. Below is the menu for our World Book Day Celebration, Jacket Potato and Deli option will still be available.

World Book Day Celebration

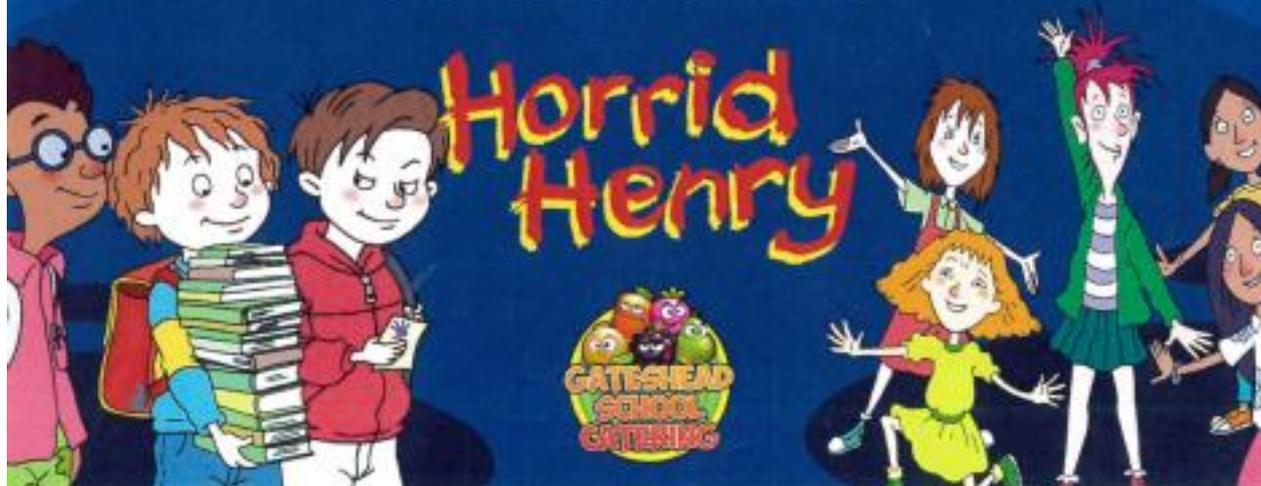
**Horrid Henry's Crispy Chicken Burger
with lettuce and mayo**

**Moody Margaret's Miserable Morsels -
veggie burger**

**Perfect Pete's Virtuous Medley - Mixed
salad - veggie sticks, peppers or veg
medley**

**Greasy Greta's Special Spuds -
Homemade garlic wedges**

**The Purple Hand Gang's Secret
Naughty Pud - Chocolate muffin with
chocolate mousse**



As a result of this change, on Friday 6th March the children will be served Thursday's lunch options rather than the meals originally planned for Friday. This will be Chicken/Veggie bites with special fried rice, Jacket Potato or Deli option.

Opal Platinum Award Deep Play

Deep play, occasionally referred to as risky play is very important to a child's development. In the MUGA this week a couple of children took the lead on creating a bread basket rollercoaster (or just a "slide" for short).

What was needed?

A couple plastic bollards; tyres of different sizes; a large breadbasket; and some creative minds.



Why is it important?

Through deep play children can test their own boundaries and often discover strength, confidence, skills and abilities that they perhaps did not know they had. They can conquer fears, dispel myths or doubts about themselves and build self-esteem through what they have experienced.

How do we protect ourselves?

We have weekly assemblies where we discuss important play updates, as a whole school. Areas with a higher potential risk will be under direct supervision. As a result, a lot of our children have built up an excellent ability to assess risk!

Golden Welly

Anna G, Darcie D and Daisy H

For showing incredible creativity and including children of all ages in their loose part creations!

Loose Parts

Does anybody know anyone who can get a hold of these?

we would love some more:



The kids absolutely love using this tunnel: they roll about in it; use it as a secret entrance to their dens; even use it to make slides!!

Rollerskates

An idea was floated around a couple year ago about roller disco Wednesdays on the MUGA. We may have laughed about it at first but really, we always wanted to give it a go!

We are on the hunt for roller-skates and have had some fantastically generous donations already. If you do have any roller-skates that are just sitting about collecting dust, please consider donating before chucking! They might just put a smile on another person's face.



Exciting Shape Festival in Gateshead

The festival, which takes place from Monday 16 February to Sunday 1 March, will feature a programme of new events, designed and delivered by young people including music, dance, textiles, photography and exhibitions as well as promoting existing opportunities taking place in Gateshead over February half term. Many activities are free including Photography and an art workshop with the artist Jessica Kinnersley who will be working with our Y6 children after half term.



Follow the link for the PDF of the brochure detailing all the opportunities.

<https://shapegatesheadculture.com/media/49218/Shape-Youth-Festival-programme/pdf/7897-SS-Shape Youth Festival Brochure 2026 v6.pdf?m=1770395969483>

FAMILY FUN DAY

Join us for our Leam Lane Family Fun Day this half term. We have lots of free activities for all the family.

- ✓ Family Disco with Recovery Connections
- ✓ Pop up shop with Embells
- ✓ Activities with The Family Learning Team
- ✓ Slime making with The Children's Society
- ✓ Hot Wheels Creation at Leam Library
- ✓ Leam Lane Family Hub Sensory Room
- ✓ Refreshments & Cakes Available

Tuesday 24th February
10am - 2pm

Leam Lane Hub
(Library /Family Hub)
Building

Everyone Welcome



Gateshead Libraries



Gateshead

100 Years North East Combined Authority Celebration Day

Kim McGuinness
North East Mayor

Gateshead Central Library
Saturday 7 March • 9am-4pm

Join us to celebrate 100 years of Gateshead Central Library with a special day of events and activities.

Maker Place activities

Exploring Your Family History

Photomontage Workshop with Tommy Anderson

Family Storytelling with Chris Adriaanse*

What's Behind the Door? Library tours*

How to Care for your Family Collections*

Book Illustration Workshop with Josie Brookes

Meet Author Peter James*

GemArts Heritage Detectives Workshop

10am - 3.30pm

10am - 4pm

10am - 1pm

10.30am-11.30am

10.30am and 2pm

11am - 12pm

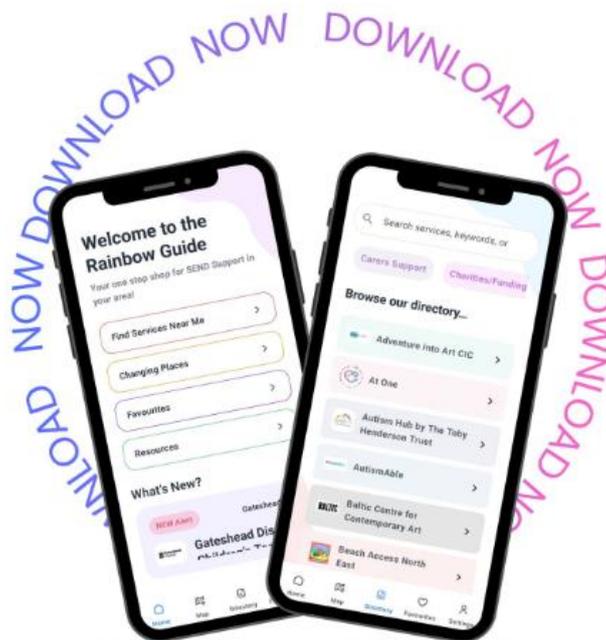
1pm - 4pm

2pm - 3pm

10am - 12pm

All events **free** apart from **Peter James** (small charge) and those marked with * are **pre-bookable in advance**.

Discover more at Gateshead Libraries



Download

The Rainbow Guide app **NOW** via your app store, the **one-stop** guide to SEND services!



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!

Class	This week's attendance	Class	This week's attendance
YRA	92.67%	Y3B	97.14%
YRB	88.97%	Y4A	95.33%
Y1A	99.57%	Y4B	92%
Y1B	97.27%	Y5A	94.83%
Y2A	93.33%	Y5B	90.36%
Y2B	89%	Y6A	94.33%
Y3A	90%	Y6B	96%
Whole School Attendance:		93.52%	

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	
Reception	Rosie C and Suliman S
Y1	Bella G and Emily B
Y2	Elena-Rose S and Eric M
Y3	Piper W-S and Erin W
Y4	Evie-Jo C and Ashton W
Y5	Blake G and Amelia G
Y6	Lucy Jo A-W and Darcie D

Times Table Rockstars



Highest Coin Earners		Class
1st	Jace S	Y4A
2nd	George Mc	Y3B
3rd	Josh I	Y4B
Biggest Improvement in Studio Speed		
1st	Evie-Grace S	Y3B
2nd	Darcy T	Y5A
3rd	William H	Y3B
Golden Guitar Winner – Y4B		

Accelerated Reader



Children in Y2 - Y6 who have read the highest number of quizzes in their Year group this week are:



Name	Year Group
Skyler H	Y1
Kaelan H	Y2
Arya P	Y3
Jochebed O	Y4
Oliver H	Y5
Evie C	Y6
Golden Book Winner	Y5B

The Golden Book goes to the Class with the greatest number of quizzes completed.

Dates for the Diary

<u>Date/time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Who's involved</u>
Spring Term		
20 th February 2026	Last Day of Term	Whole School
23 rd February – 27 th February 2026	Half Term	School Closed
2 nd March 2026	Return to School	Whole School
3 rd April – 17 th April 2026	Easter Holidays	School Closed
Summer Term		
4 th May 2026	Bank Holiday	School Closed
11 th May – 14 th May	SATS Week	Y6 Students
25 th May – 29 th May 2026	Half Term	School Closed
1 st June 2026	Occasional Day	School Closed
8 th - 10 th June	Y6 Residential - London	Y6 Pupils
24 th - 26 th June 2026	Y5 Residential – Ford Castle	Y5 Pupils

Out of School Achievements

Please email Out of School Achievements to office@lingeypouse.org

A Huge Well Done to... Evelyn

Evelyn competed in the Legacy Stand Strong competition this weekend with her team Flamingos of North East Cheer. They achieved an excellent rating and the highest score from the entire U8 Novice division (9 teams). We are so proud of you Evelyn.

Well done, Evelyn!

