



# Lingey House Primary and Nursery School



## Newsletter 14 – 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025

### Applying for a School Place for September 2026

Don't forget, if your child is due to start school in September 2026, you must apply online on the Gateshead Council website (see below) by **15<sup>th</sup> January**. We have 60 places available (2 classes of 30) and places are filling up really fast. If you or anyone you know want their child to be a Lingey Duck then please apply online as soon as possible to ensure they get their place.

The screenshot shows the Gateshead Council website. At the top, there is a search bar with the text 'Enter keywords' and a magnifying glass icon. To the right of the search bar are links for 'Listen and translate' and 'Sign in'. Below the search bar is a blue navigation bar with the text 'Home / Education and schools / Schools / School admissions'. The main content area has a heading 'Primary school admissions September 2026'. There are two main boxes: an orange one on the left with the text 'Please read the admissions information booklet before you apply to help you understand the admissions process and make an informed choice.' and a green one on the right with the text 'Apply online' and 'Apply online for your child's school place. Applications must be submitted by 15 January 2026.' To the right of these boxes is a sidebar with a blue header 'School admissions' and two links: 'Before you apply' and 'Apply to change school during the school year (In-year transfer)'. At the bottom of the sidebar is a box with the text 'Primary school admissions September 2026'.

### **Christmas Party Week!**

Next week, we'll be celebrating with all of our school's Christmas Parties!

(Please check the *Dates for Your Diary* below to find your child's party date.)

Students are welcome to come to school dressed in their party clothes if they wish — sparkles, jumpers and Christmas colours are all encouraged!

All parties will take place during the school day, and students will be dismissed at the usual time.

We can't wait to celebrate the festive season together! ✨



## Menu change 6<sup>th</sup> January

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## Pantomime Visit



Yesterday, Years 1-6 attended the Tyne Theatre and Opera House Pantomime. The children were lucky enough to enjoy an amazing performance of Cinderella. Our children were enthralled by flying carriages, Twist and Pulse's dance moves, KPop and wicked songs and the pantomime jokes. A fantastic time was had by all who attended, a couple of our children and teachers even made it up onto the stage with Buttons and the Ugly Sisters 😊

Our PTA have been busy and fundraising plans are already underway to hopefully secure a future visit to the theatre for our children!

## Christmas Performances

It's been a busy week here at Lingey House, we've had two Stay & Plays's, two Carol Services three Christmas performances, 1 Christmas Dinner and a Theatre visit for 6 year groups .

A big thank you to all of our parents and family members who joined us for our Christmas performances this week, our children have loved performing for you and having you in school to see them. We are very proud of them all.

I'm sure you will agree that these cannot take place without the tremendous effort from our sensational school staff.



## After school clubs -last week

There will be no after school clubs on next week, our schedule for the Spring half term will be published in the new year.



## Christmas Raffle

Raffle tickets have been handed out to all children, please ensure they are handed back in can be purchased from the school office, they are **£1 per strip of 5**, you will need to ensure that a name and reg group are on each of the 5 tickets.

We have some amazing hampers to be won this year!

Tickets are to be handed back to your class teacher by **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**.



## Parents Data on Arbor

Please can you make sure that anyone with Parental Responsibility has at least one contact number and email address along with your home address on Arbor.



**Our admin team have started ringing each guardian with missing data, however if each parent could check and update their details via the Arbor app that would help us immensely.**

Thank you – School Admin Team

## Winter Weather and Uniform – A Quick Reminder!

As an OPAL school, our children enjoy playing outside in all sorts of weather – puddles, drizzle and the occasional downpour included! To help them stay warm, dry and comfortable, wellies are part of our uniform list. Most families keep a pair in the class welly shed, but if you prefer not to buy two pairs, children are welcome to bring their wellies to school each day instead. At this time of year children must have wellies to access any grassed or muddy areas.

Just a little note: children **cannot wear wellies or snow boots indoors**. If they're travelling to school in them, please pop a pair of indoor shoes in their bag so they can change once inside.

It's also a brilliant idea to keep a set of spare clothes in school – **especially socks** (this applies to all ages!) You never know when a muddy adventure might happen.

Children don't need to change into wellies to play on hard surfaces so will have their usual shoes on. Please ensure these are suitable for outdoor play and will still keep feet dry.

If your child doesn't currently have wellies, don't worry. We are recycling lots of pairs in school and would be happy to provide your child with their own named set. These can't be borrowed daily, but they can be issued to keep in school. Just contact Hannah, the office or speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you for helping us keep outdoor play fun and children warm!

[Article 27 The right to have a proper home, food and clothing.](#)

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## Residential Information

### Year 4

Y4 Residential – Mr H Experience (in school grounds)

📅 18th–19th June

Further details will be shared soon.

### Year 5

Y5 Residential – Adventurous Activities at PGL (Ford Castle)

📅 24th–26th June

### **Year 5 Parent Information Meetings:**

📅 Tuesday 16th December at 8:45 AM

Children will be informed about these exciting opportunities today. We look forward to sharing more information with you soon.

Thank you,  
The Year 5 Team

Dear Parent/Carer,

On **Wednesday 17th December**, Year 2 A& B will be taking a trip to the post box where they will post the letter they have written to the king within their English lessons.

Please could we ask that your child has appropriate footwear/outdoor clothing in accordance to the weather that day.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,  
Year 2 staff



## Charity Clothes Bank

You may have noticed that we now have a charity clothes bank on site! We'd really appreciate it if you could encourage your family and friends to use it to donate any unwanted clothing. Every donation supports a good cause and helps our school too.

The clothes bank is located next to the main pedestrian gate, and it's open for the whole community to use. Thank you for your support!!

Items that can be recycled.

- Adult clothes
- Children clothes
- Bags
- Accessories
- Paired Shoes
- Bras



## Smoking & Vaping

Reminder that our whole school site is non-smoking, this includes vapes and e-cigarettes. Please refrain from using these on school grounds.

**Article 24: We all have the right to information which keeps us safe and healthy.**



## Toddler Group

Our toddler group has moved to a **Monday afternoon 1.30-2.30** in the main school.

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



## Parking Reminder

Please can we kindly ask all parents and carers to behave respectfully towards our local residents and fellow parents during school drop-off and pick-up times.

We have received a number of reports regarding confrontations and the use of inappropriate language around children. As a school, we do not condone this behaviour and ask everyone to help us maintain a safe and respectful environment.

When parking, please remember to:

- \*Do not park in front of the school gates, we still require emergency access even if the gates are closed.
- \*Park safely and responsibly
- \*Do not block driveways
- \*Avoid parking on yellow lines or pavements
- \* Be kind and considerate to our neighbours



Let's work together to ensure our school community remains safe, respectful, and welcoming for everyone.

# 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	91.33%	Y3B	90.36%
YRB	93.45%	Y4A	<b>98.33%</b>
Y1A	93.91%	Y4B	98%
Y1B	95.45%	Y5A	93.1%
Y2A	96.33%	Y5B	93.21%
Y2B	83.33%	Y6A	91%
Y3A	92.86%	Y6B	95%
Whole School Attendance:		<b>93.1%</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

Year Group	
Reception	Aaliyah A & Theo B
Y1	Isla H & All of Y1B
Y2	Iris H & Grace M
Y3	Raine S & Dominic G
Y4	Emily S & Layton B
Y5	Isaac D & Ceejay G
Y6	Edward G & Olivia T

## Times Table Rockstars



Highest Coin Earners		Class
1 <sup>st</sup>	Jace S	Y4A
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Logen D	Y4A
3 <sup>rd</sup>	George K	Y4B
Biggest Improvement in Studio Speed		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Dominic G	Y3B
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Charlie W	Y4B
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jace S	Y4A
<b>Golden Guitar Winner – Y4A</b>		

## Accelerated Reader



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

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
Hope H	Y2
Mya T	Y3
Layton B	Y4
Alexis T	Y5
Jorge G	Y6
<b>Golden Book Winner</b>	<b>Y2A</b>

## Dates for the Diary

<u>Date/time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Who's involved</u>
16th December 2025	Nursery Christmas Party	Nursery Children
15th December 2025 1.30pm	Reception Christmas Party	Reception Children
16th December 2025 1.30pm	Y5/Y6 Christmas Party	Y5/Y6 Children
17th December 2025 1.30pm	Y3/Y4 Christmas Party	Y3/Y4 Children
18th December 2025 1.30pm	Y1/Y2 Christmas Party	Y1/Y2 Children
<b>19th December 25</b>	<b>Last Day of Term</b>	<b>Whole School</b>
	<b>Spring Term</b>	
5th January 2026	INSET	School Closed to PUPILS
6th January 2026	School re-opens	Whole School
23rd February – 27th February 2026	Half Term	School Closed
3rd April – 17th April 2026	Easter Holidays	School Closed
	<b>Summer Term</b>	
4th May 2026	Bank Holiday	School Closed
25th May – 29th May 2026	Half Term	School Closed
1st June 2025	Occasional Day	School Closed

# ***Out of School*** Achievements

Please email Out of School Achievements to [office@lingeyschool.org](mailto:office@lingeyschool.org)

## **A huge well done to... Max!**

Max performed in the show Snow White & the Seven Dwarves and was amazing!

Well done, Max.



## **A huge well done to... Ivy!**

Ivy has made her rainbow promise this week to become an official rainbow. She also gained her explorer and nature badges.

Well done, Ivy.

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

Evelyn was awarded with an outstanding achievement award for resilience at her cheer clubs annual Christmas party and award ceremony. For turning up every week and doing her best even when she's been so poorly over the last season.

Well done, Evelyn.

