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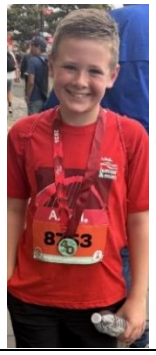
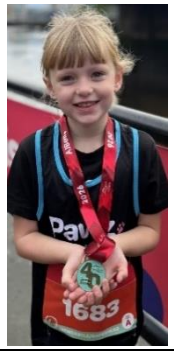
Newsletter 3 – 18th September 2026

This Week at Lingey House

It has been a brilliant week at Lingey House, with lots to celebrate. This week we launched our new Celebration Assembly, giving us a fresh way to recognise children who are going above and beyond in living out our school values, and you will also notice our new-look weekly newsletter, which we hope will be shorter, clearer and much more focused on celebrating school life. I am especially proud of all of the children and staff who took part in the Great North Run events — a fantastic achievement and a wonderful example of resilience, determination and community spirit.
Best wishes, Chloe Wilkinson (headteacher)

What We're Celebrating

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

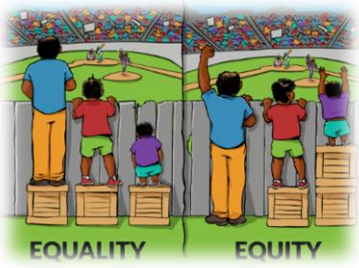
Mini Great North Run
A Huge Well Done to… All of our pupils who completed the mini Great North Run last weekend. We couldn't be prouder!




🏆 ⚽ **YEAR 5 CUP CHAMPIONS!** ⚽ 🏆

On Thursday 17th September we **hosted the Year 5 Football Cup**, welcoming Oakfield, Roman Road, Glynwood and Windy Nook for a round robin football competition.
Our team were **amazing from start to finish,** working brilliantly together, supporting each other and showing fantastic teamwork throughout every game. They scored an incredible **8 goals across the tournament while conceding just 1,** showing both their attacking ability and defensive strength.





Outdoor Play
Welcome back everyone! This is the first Opal newsletter of the year.
This week we have been focusing on Equality and Equity. One area of our Opal play (in the drier months) is football and from a feedback group last year a lot of our girls didn't feel comfortable playing and a lot of younger children weren't accessing the football pitch. Girls/women's football has exploded in popularity over the past few years with more and more young girl's wanting to join the sport. Our school has had some fantastic success with some brilliant girl's football teams and we want to keep that tremendous streak going
As a school we used the Opal assembly to discuss how we can create even more diverse playtimes ensuring that everyone gets what they need! We have since come up with, as a school, a rota to allow (for the time being) girls and younger children to join in!
Does this only impact football? We want the children to learn the difference between equality and equity, so that they can apply it to all aspects of their play and life! Opal play is more than just play times it's about learning valuable life skills that generally can't be learnt in the classroom.

Wet Weather

Talking of not being inside the classroom, we are afraid that the weather outside might not play nicely. As we approach the colder months it's now time to start thinking COATS AND WELLIES! Yes, we are back with our annual nag. Sorry. Not sorry. Make sure you start bringing in your coats and wellies.

The children have already began clearing out their welly sheds ready for the new year, but they're looking pretty empty!! If for whatever reason you are cannot do so, don't hesitate to speak with your child's teacher and we can make arrangements.



Platinum Award

Dates for Your Diary

Date	Event	Who it applies to
Monday 21st September, 5:30–6:00pm	**Year 6 London Residential Meeting** – information about the Summer 2027 residential, including costs and an opportunity to ask questions.	Year 6 parents/carers
Tuesday 22nd September, 5.00-5.30pm	**Year 5 Ford Castle Residential Meeting** – information about the Summer 2027 residential, including costs and an opportunity to ask questions.	Year 5 parents/carers
Thursday 24th September, 9:30–11:00am	**Jeff Rich Drum & Percussion Masterclass** – a hands-on music workshop with the former Status Quo drummer.	KS2 children and staff
Thursday 24th September, 3.45pm kick off	**Y5/Y6 Football -** Our Football team will be playing at home. Expected finish time- 5.30pm.	All support/ spectators are welcome
Wednesday 30th September	**School Photographer** – individual and sibling photographs. Families wanting photographs with siblings who do not attend Lingey House should come to school at 8:15am.	All pupils/families
Wednesday 7th October	**Christmas Card Project deadline** – last day to place online orders for personalised Christmas cards and gifts featuring your child's artwork.	All families
Friday 9th October	**Christmas Support deadline** – please speak to staff if your family would like confidential support with food, toiletries or presents over Christmas.	All families who may benefit
Friday 23rd October	**Flu Vaccinations** – please make sure you have completed the online consent or non-consent form in advance.	Reception–Year 6
Friday 23rd October, 1:30–3:00pm	**Pumpkin Patch Autumn Fair** – save the date! More information will follow.	All families
Friday 13th November	**Children in Need** – children can come to school in non-uniform or Pudsey merchandise.	All pupils
Tuesday 17th November	**Year 6 Safety Works Visit** – cost £5 per pupil and booking/payment is open on Arbor. Children will return to school slightly later than usual.	Year 6

Next Week

Jeff Rich's Drum & Percussion Masterclass

On **Thursday 24th September**, our KS2 children will enjoy a very special visit from **Jeff Rich, former drummer with Status Quo**.



From **9:30–11:00am**, children will take part in a hands-on drum and percussion masterclass, exploring the history of drums, learning how a drum kit works and having opportunities to play a wide range of percussion instruments. It promises to be a brilliant morning and a fantastic opportunity for our children to experience live music and learn from a professional musician.

Important Reminders

Nursery PE Day
Nursery PE day will be a Monday. Nursery children to come to school wearing their PE kit on this day.

Nut-Free School
Please remember that Lingey House is a nut-free school. Please check packed lunches and snacks carefully and do not send in products containing nuts, including Nutella, peanut butter, pesto or satay sauces.

SEND Lego Clubs
Held on the third Tuesday of Each month at Chowdene Family Hub, 4.00-5.00pm

Headlice
We have had cases of headlice reported within school, please can you regularly check your child's hair and treat if necessary

School Meals
Please ensure school meals are paid for in advance. When making payment, please select **School Meal** rather than Nursery Fees.

Jewellery
Jewellery should not be worn in school. Children may wear stud earrings, but they must be able to remove these themselves for PE.

After-School Clubs
There are still places available in a number of our after-school clubs this half term.
Please book available places via **Arbor**. To help as many children as possible access a club, children can attend **one after-school club per half term**.
Some clubs are now full, so please book promptly if your child would like a place.