



# Lingey House Primary and Nursery School



## Newsletter 32 – 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

### A little half-term message from Mrs Wilkinson ...

As we come to the end of another busy half term, I wanted to pause and say what a lovely few weeks it has been in school. There has been so much going on, and once again our children have reminded us just how wonderful they are.

A huge well done to our Year 6 children. SATs week is a big week, and we know it can bring a few nerves, but they handled it with such maturity, determination and good humour. It was lovely to see them coming in for breakfast together, supporting each other and finishing the week with a well-deserved treat. Whatever the results say later in the year, they have already made us incredibly proud.

Across school, children have enjoyed a range of lovely experiences beyond their usual classroom learning, including trips, local walks, outdoor learning and special opportunities linked to their topics. Early Years have also had some very exciting visitors this half term, including ducks and butterflies, which have brought lots of excitement, talk and wonder into school. Our OPAL play has continued to improve, and we are very grateful to Wolf Competitions for their kind donation of roller skates. Renovation has started on our American school bus too! This half term has also brought some very special news for members of our staff team, who have welcomed their own new babies. We send them all our love and congratulations from the whole Lingey House family.

Thank you so much for your generosity today with the bottles and chocolates for our Summer Fayre. We were genuinely blown away by your support. We never take for granted how much our families do for us, and we are very lucky to have such a kind school community.

Finally, a huge thank you to our wonderful staff and children. Our staff give so much care, energy and kindness every day, and our children continue to bring laughter and joy into school.

I hope you all have a restful and happy half term. Thank you, as always, for being such an important part of our Lingey House family.

### Y6 Leavers Assembly



We invite parents and carers of our Year 6 pupils to their Leavers Assembly to share with us in celebrating their time at Lingey House. The assembly will take place on **Wednesday 15th July at 10:30am**. The children will share memories, songs and sketches and we invite you to stay for photographs, tea and coffee until 11:45am. The children will then be able to leave with parents to get ready for Lingeybury celebration at 3:30pm the same day.

Additionally, if you have any photographs from your child's time at Lingey House, we would love to see them and use them as part of our memories slideshow. Please email these to [y6leavers@lingeyhouse.org](mailto:y6leavers@lingeyhouse.org)

## Save the Date



Lingeybury is back for 2026 and all Year 6 children are invited! This is a fun event where children can party, dress up and enjoy themselves! The children will receive food, drinks, face glitter/face paint, instant printed photograph mementos in the Magic Mirror photobooth and the main event: AN OUTDOOR DISCO with prizes and games!

The event will be held on **Wednesday 15th July 3:30pm - 5:30pm** outdoors in our school grounds. Children will be able to go home after their leavers assembly to get ready and then return to school for the event!

Please note: This is weather permitting and some adjustments may have to be made in the event of poor weather

## **Our Extra Funding Raffle is here!**

We want to make sure that every family who may be entitled to extra funding is receiving it.



Over the next few weeks, we will focus on one year group at a time, from **Nursery to Year 5**. During your child's focus week, we will send home an extra funding entitlement form for you to complete and return.

Every child who returns a form will receive a small entry prize. At the end of each week, all returned forms from that year group will go into our **Extra Funding Raffle**, and one lucky winner will receive a **£100 Smyths voucher**.

This funding is linked to free school meal entitlement, but it is about much more than a school lunch. When a child is eligible, school receives extra **Pupil Premium funding**, which helps us provide additional support, resources, trips, experiences, pastoral support and enrichment opportunities for our children.

Even if your child already gets universal infant free school meals, or usually has packed lunches, it is still really important to check. If you are entitled, it means extra funding comes into school to support our children.

Staff will be available during your child's focus week to help complete the form if needed. We know how easy it is for forms to go into a school bag and be forgotten about — we've all been there!

Please return your form during your child's focus week. We will start with Nursery after half term.

**You've got to be in it to win it!**

## OPAL

Our OPAL SHOP will be open on **Tuesday & Wednesday** next week at break time in the school hall.

We are now fully restocked and have some exciting new items.

We hope to see you there, cash only please.



## School PE Kits

If you have any of our branded Blue PE kits please can they be returned to the school office asap as we need them for upcoming events.

## Y4 Residential

Year 4 pupils will have the opportunity to take part in a residential experience at Lingey House, which will involve an overnight camping stay on the school grounds.

The residential will take place on the 18 – 19<sup>th</sup> June

**Deposit of £25 by the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026**

**1<sup>st</sup> Payment of £25 by the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2026**

**Last payment of £25 by the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026**



## Collections/Picking up from School

We require prior notice if someone other than the approved emergency contacts is picking up your child from school.

If you have someone that regular picks up you child, please add them to the Arbor app with 'Can collect' permissions as this is what we use to check that your child can be handed over.

## Swimming Lessons Amendments

Our swimming schedule will change after half term the following schedule will start on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

The Y6 Top up lessons are selected students only, if you have **NOT** received an email your child will not be attending, please ensure your child has the correct kit on the mornings required.

School will need to know how your child will be leaving from Heworth Swimming baths please can you fill in the following Google Form before the 22<sup>nd</sup> May. (We already have the data for Y5)

[Y4 Form](#) / [Y6 Form](#)

	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Tue</b>
WC 1st June	<b>Inset Day</b>	5B
WC 8th June	5A	5B
WC 15th June	4B	6 top ups
WC 22nd June	4B	6 top ups
WC 29th June	4A	6 top ups
WC 6th July	4A	6 top ups

## Reception Beach Trip

Our reception classes will be having a summer trip to South Shields beach, please sign up and pay via Arbor by the 12<sup>th</sup> June the cost of the trip is £7



A colorful poster for a Reception Beach Trip. At the top left are red sunglasses and a yellow flower. The text reads: **RECEPTION BEACH TRIP** in blue and red, with *South Shields* in cursive below it. A starfish is to the left of the date: **WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2026**. Below the date, it says: "If you would like to volunteer, please get in touch with Mrs Baggott (YRA)." At the bottom right is a red crab on a blue wave, and another yellow flower at the bottom left.

## Nursery Graduation



A colorful poster for a Nursery Graduation. At the top, it says "Save the date" in cursive. Below that is **NURSERY GRADUATION** in large, multi-colored letters. Underneath is **FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2026** and **9.45 AM**. There are two boxes of information: one with a graduation cap icon stating "Graduation is for N2 children only that are moving to reception in September." and another with a family icon stating "N1 children will come to nursery as normal." At the bottom is a duck on a grassy field.

## Summer Fair



A colorful poster for a Summer Fair. It features a yellow banner with **FREE ENTRY** in a pink circle, **JOIN US FOR OUR Summer Fair** in red and orange, and **FRIDAY 3RD JULY 2.30PM - 4.00PM**. The Lingey House Primary School logo is in the top right. Below the banner, it says: "This year, our Summer Fair is set to be bigger and better than ever and as always our goal is to raise money to offer our children wonderful experiences outside of the curriculum." and "If you own a local business who would be interested in donating a prize for our raffle or renting a stall, please get in touch with the school office." At the bottom left is a red and orange tent. The contact info is [office@lingeyhouse.org](mailto:office@lingeyhouse.org) / 0191 4381287.

## National Fish & Chips Day

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June we will be celebrating National Fish & Chips Day, our Spud & Deli options will still be available.



A poster for National Fish & Chips Day. It has a checkered border and says **NATIONAL FISH & CHIPS DAY!** in large blue letters. Below that is a list: "Traditional battered fish", "Chips", "Mushy peas", "Curry sauce or ketchup", "Bread and butter". It also says "All served in a takeaway tray" and "Old-fashioned school cake". At the bottom is an illustration of a fish and chips meal with a logo for "GATESHEAD SCHOOL CATERING".

## TOYS & Fidget Toys

At Lingey House we are very inclusive and understand that fidget/sensory aids are required for some children to support their learning in school.

**Fidget /sensory aids are only permitted in school where this has been agreed between the class teacher and parent/carer of the child.**

There has been a dramatic increase in toys from home being brought into school which is causing ongoing disruption to teaching & learning. Please can parents/carers ensure children are not leaving home with toys in their bags/pockets which are then being brought into school and becoming traded/lost/broken.

Please speak to you child's class teacher if you have any queries surrounding this. Thank you for your co-operation.

## Dates for the Diary

<u>Date/time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Who's involved</u>
<b>Summer Term</b>		
<b>25<sup>th</sup> May – 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>	<b>Half Term</b>	<b>School Closed</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> June 2026</b>	<b>Occasional Day</b>	<b>School Closed</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Y6 Residential - London	Y6 Pupils
15 <sup>th</sup> July 2026 10.30am	Y6 Leavers Assembly	Y6 Pupils & Parents
15 <sup>th</sup> July 2026 3.30-5.30pm	LingeyBury	Y6 Pupil
17 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	YR Beach Trip	YR Pupils
18 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Y4 Mr H Residential	Y4 Pupils
24 <sup>th</sup> - 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Y5 Residential – Ford Castle	Y5 Pupils
3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026	School Fair 2.30-4.00pm	Whole School
10 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Nursery Graduation	N2 Parents & Children

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!

<u>Class</u>	<u>This week's attendance</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>This week's attendance</u>
YRA	88.85%	Y3B	94.46%
YRB	92.86%	Y4A	88.39%
Y1A	94.35%	Y4B	92.33%
Y1B	86.69%	Y5A	89.29%
Y2A	95.86%	Y5B	92.83%
Y2B	87.14%	<b>Y6A</b>	<b>97%</b>
Y3A	90.36%	Y6B	91%
Whole School Attendance:		<b>91.7%</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	Ella R & Heidi T
Y1	Braxton R & Skyler H
Y2	Evelkyn R & Francesca McL
Y3	Tommy D & George McC
Y4	Libby M & Jac C
Y5	Scarlett H & Charlie C

## Times Table Rockstars



Biggest Increase in Speed	
Connor F	Y4B
Aoife L	Y4A
Ashton W	Y4B
Highest Coin Earners	
Jace S	Y4A
Alfie N	Y4B
Charlie W	Y4B
<b>Golden Guitar Winner – Y4B</b>	

## Accelerated Reader



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

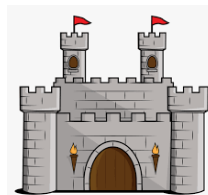
Name	Year Group
Skyler H	Y1
Evelyn R	Y2
Arya P	Y3
Alfie N	Y4
Freddie J	Y5
Leo H	Y6
<b>Golden Book Winner</b>	<b>Y1B</b>

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

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## This week's House Tokens

This week's winner is **Alnwick!**



<b>Bamburgh</b>	<b>135</b>
<b>Hylton</b>	<b>150</b>
<b>Warkworth</b>	<b>115</b>
<b>Lumley</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>Dunstanburgh</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>Alnwick</b>	<b>225</b>