

# **Lingey House Primary** and Nursery School

## Newsletter 35 - 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022 - End of Year

### End of Year Thank you



I can't believe we are coming to the end of my first full academic year at Lingey House. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support over the last eighteen months. We have made so many positive changes in school in this time and I really appreciate your feedback and encouragement. I know we don't always get things right- communication and the systems we use to communicate are definitely areas we need to improve next year. I know we're not perfect but I hope you have felt listened to this year and can see that we have the best interests of the children in mind when making any decisions or changes. We have some very exciting things planned for next year and 2022-2023 is going to be great.

I'm sure you will join me in thanking our wonderful staff for all of their hard work this year. They really do work tirelessly to give the children a fun and exciting education. They genuinely care so much about the children as individuals and go out of their way to meet their individual needs. We are so lucky to have such amazing people working at our school.

Thanks also go to the Governors of the school, ably led by Karen Crozier, who have made some fantastic developments to the governing board this year. They have worked tirelessly behind the scenes to secure a bright future for our school. Their work often goes unnoticed by most but if they weren't so diligent, everyone would soon notice.

And finally, I would like to thank all of our fabulous pupils who never fail to brighten our days and are the reason we all work so hard to get things right for them. The children at Lingey House are kind, caring, welcoming and fun and have a real love of learning. They really do love their school and are so proud to be pupils at Lingey House and we of course are so proud of them.

I couldn't ask for a better school to be headteacher of and thank you all so much for everything.

Have a wonderful summer and see you on Wednesday  $7^{\text{th}}$  September!

Best wishes, Chloe Wilkinson



#### Happy Retirement

Congratulations to Debbie Ingram who leaves us today to start her retirement. Miss Ingram has worked at Lingey House for over 40 years and has contributed so much during this time. We will miss her greatly - but wish her luck in her new adventures ahead. Thank you and good luck!



### Year 6 Leavers

We would like to take this opportunity to wish our fabulous Year 6 children luck and happiness as they leave Lingey House to embark on their secondary school journey. They are such wonderful children and they will be a huge miss to our school.

Goodbye and Good Luck Year 6!

Year 6 have had a number of celebrations over the last few weeks:

- School have given Year 6 a leavers hoodie present. The children have loved wearing their hoodies for the last couple of weeks and they've even been worn in this blistering heat which shows how proud they are to wear them!
- Last week, we held our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual LingeyBury festival to celebrate the children's time at Lingey House. The children had a fantastic time (as did the staff).
- Leavers' Assembly for children, staff and families.
- Clapping Procession- the whole-school community clapped the Year 6 leavers out of school at hometime, making their final time leaving Lingey House so special.





### Nursery Graduation

I can't believe that some of our children are at the end of their time in our nursery. It doesn't seem like two minutes since they started with us. They celebrated their successes at their gratudation ceremony on Wednesday. We are so proud of our Nursery Graduates- Class of 22!





### Free School Meal Vouchers

Edenred vouchers were sent out on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July. If your circumstances have changed and you think you may be entitled to free school meals, please complete the form which can be found on the school website.





We can't wait to teach you science next year and want to share what you've got to look forward to in each year group. Our science topics are split into three different strands; biology, chemistry and physics. We'll kickstart our year with a whole school biology focus, learning about animals including humans and will finish the academic year with another whole school biology focus, on living things and habitats in our local area.

Here are our year group overviews and highlights to look forward to:

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Year 1	Animals in- cluding Hu- mans	Seasonal Changes	Materials	Plants		udy	<u>Y1 Highlights:</u> Planting cress, designing umbrellas and perfect pets.
Year 2	Animals in- cluding Hu- mans	Materials		Plants		ocal Area Stu	<u>Y2 Highlights:</u> Planting bean plants, creating raincoats and skyhigh sunflowers.
Year 3	Animals in- cluding Hu- mans	Forces & Mag- nets	Rocks	Plants	Light	Whole School Local Area Study	Y3 Highlights: Dissecting plants, super skeletons, creating fos- sils and designing magnet games.
Year 4	Animals in- cluding Hu- mans	Electricity	States of Matter		Sound	& Habitats - V	<u>Y4 Highlights:</u> Making 'poo', Morse code circuits and creepy corn starch.
Year 5	Animals in- cluding Hu- mans	Forces	Materials		Earth & Space	Things	<u>Y5 Highlights:</u> Making parachutes, space race and lots of experiments.
Year 6	Animals in- cluding Hu- mans	Electricity	Evolution o	Light	Living	<u>Y6 Highlights:</u> Extracting DNA, light ribbons and palaeontol- ogy.	

Each year group will also conduct a long-term study, linked in with one of their key topics.



### INFORMATION FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

### New Staff

We have some new members of staff joining us in September. They have already been into school and are excited to start working at Lingey House. I will share information about each staff member and photos in September so you can get to know them.

### **Uniform Expectations**

#### School Uniform

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 to 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 (PE DAYS TO BE CONFIRMED IN SEPTEMBER).

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.

#### Forest School

If children are doing Forest School sessions, warm outdoor clothing should be worn. Forest school sessions will not begin in September as our leaders are busy being trained up. Further information will follow.

### 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

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.

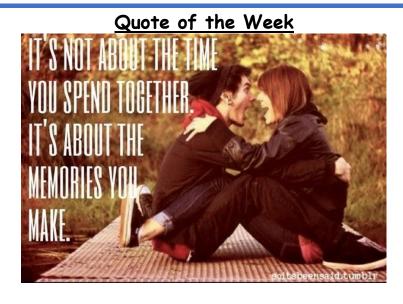
#### 3.15pm End of the day

#### Nursery times

30 hours- 9am-3.15pm

15 hours am- 9am-12pm

15 hours pm- 12.15pm-3.15pm



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:

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Best wishes,
Chloe Wilkinson
(Headteacher)