

# **Lingey House Primary** and Nursery School

# Newsletter 11 - 26th November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had another busy week in school. The children have been working hard and are starting to look forward to our Christmas celebrations. Rehearsals for our Christmas singalongs have started so the festive feeling is definitely spreading across school. With only three weeks left until the Christmas Holidays, please check diary dates for details of all our fabulous festive fun.

Take care and stay safe, Mrs Wilkinson

#### Reading Books

We are revamping reading across the school and need your help! Please return all home reading books and reading records by Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021. This is so we can see what reading books we have available. If your child does not have a reading record to take home, we might have already collected it. In place of a home reading book, we will set daily December reading activities for you to enjoy during the festive season. Keep an eye out on our Facebook page for daily updates and a message from someone special.



#### Homework Years 1-6



We have loved seeing all of the children's homework submissions so far on Seesaw, please keep them coming in! Just a reminder that any physical projects should be brought in w/c 13th December. We are really looking forward to seeing them and giving the children the opportunity to share with their class. Remember children can earn house tokens to recognise their hard work and there is still plenty of time to complete some of the projects. Look out for the parent survey in the coming weeks which will be an opportunity to share your views.

#### Trinity Square Light Switch On

Some of our talented children were invited to perform at the Christmas Light Switch On at Trinity Square in Gateshead.



Evie B, Emily B and Emilee B wowed the audience with their fantastic dancing skills. They performed a Jazz routine to 'We Need a Little Christmas'. Well done girls - amazing stuff!



# Year 6 Health and Weight Check

On Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November, the school nurse will be coming into school to measure Year 6 pupils' height and weight. This information will be strictly confidential and the children will not be informed of their weight. The nurse will contact parents directly if they have any concerns.



#### House Token Reward Shop



This week I have had lots of visitors to my new house token reward shop. When the children collect 25 house tokens they can come and select a prize.



### Christmas Lunch Reminder

The children will be having their Chrismas Lunch on Friday  $10^{th}$  December. All Reception and Key Stage 1 children are booked to have this, as they are entitled to free school meals. However, if your child is in KS2 please return the booking form (sent out earlier this week) by Monday  $29^{th}$  November to book your lunch and avoid disappointment. Unfortunately bookings cannot be taken after this date.



#### Christmas Jumper Day



Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December is also Christmas Jumper Day, Children can come to school wearing their festive jumpers instead of their school sweatshirt. Please don't feel like you have to buy anything new, if you havent already got a Christmas jumper maybe you could design your own using tinsel and baubles.

#### Christmas

We are unable to do Christmas in the way we would want to due to COVID. However, we will do whatever we can to make Christmas at Lingey House as special and fun as it can be for our children and staff. We have had to make some adjustments and be creative, but we are able to celebrate in the following ways:

#### Christmas Performances:

We will be creating two virtual Christmas sing-along performances in school:

- 1. Years 1-6
- 2. EYFS (Nursery and Reception)

Children will perform a song etc in their classes and these will be put together as a performance. It will be filmed and made

into a video which will be shared with children and parents virtually. Children will need to bring a Christmas jumper/t-shirt etc in to wear for the performance. These will need to be in school by Monday  $6^{th}$  December.

#### Christmas Parties

Our Christmas Parties will be in the last week of term. There will be no PE lessons in the last week.

# Children are to come to school on the morning dressed in their party clothes.

- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December Nursery and Reception Party (Stars morning nursery to come to nursery at 1pm that day for their party- THERE WILL BE NO MORNING NURSERY).
   Nursery and Reception will receive a present at their party from a special guest as the pantomime will not be suitable for them.
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December Year 1 and 2 parties
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December Year 3 and 4 parties
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December Year 5 and 6 parties

#### Pantomime - our Christmas Gift to the children

Years 1-6 will be watching a pantomime this year- virtually! Although nothing will ever replace going to see a live pantomime at the theatre, an online live panto is the next best thing and I think our children and staff will love the experience.

Parents do not need to pay for the pantomime ticket- this is our Christmas gift to the children. Children will also receive an ice cream in the interval and sweets to watch the show (we will cater for dietary/allergy requirements).

The pantomime will have several live shows and children in Years 1-6 will have their pantomime show on the morning of their party day.





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 playtime!

# Attendance

<u>Class</u>	This week's attendance	<u>Class</u>	This week's attendance
YRA	94.8%	У3В	86.5%
YRB	96%	<b>Y4</b> A	96.4%
Y1 <i>A</i>	97%	У4В	97.3%
У1В	89.4%	Y5 <i>A</i>	96.8%
Y2A	82%	У5В	94.1%
У2В	<mark>97.5%</mark>	Y6 <i>A</i>	94%
У3А	88.2%	У6В	87.4%
Whole school attendance:		93.16%	

# This week's Superstars

I would like to say a huge well done to all this week's superstars - watch out for their special postcard in the post! Our superstars for this week are as follows:



Year Group	<u>Superstars</u>
Reception	Ross S and Ollie J
Year 1	Jacob T and Josie G
Year 2	Isabella K and Obay H
Year 3	Dean K and Jake T
Year 4	Lola B & Harry G
Year 5	Lilly M and Ryan M
Year 6	Phoebe W and Holly A

#### This week's House Tokens



This week's winners are...

Bamburgh!

Bamburgh	313
Hylton	233
Warkworth	238
Lumley	180
Dunstanburgh	233
Alnwick	225

# Key Dates for your Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	Who is involved?			
Autumn Term					
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 Height and Weight check from School Nurse	Y6 pupils			
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December Chrismas Lunch		Reception to Year 6			
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day	Whole School			
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Virtual Christmas Performances videos released				
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery and Reception Christmas Party pm - NO Morning	Nursery and			
·	nursery	Reception			
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Party and Pantomime	Year 1 and 2			
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Party and Pantomime	Year 3 and 4			
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5 and 6 Christmas Party and Pantomime	Year 5 and 6			
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas	Whole school			
Spring Term					
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Bank Holiday	Whole school			
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET day- school closed to children	Whole school			
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	School reopens	Whole School			
Summer Term					
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	School closed - Queen's Jubilee BH for Gateshead schools	Whole school			
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	School closed - Occasional Day	Whole school			
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Break up for Summer holidays	Whole school			

#### Quote of the Week



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:

lingeyhouseprimaryschool@gatehead.gov.uk

Best wishes, Chloe Wilkinson (Headteacher)