

Linchfield Academy Newsletter

Friday 7th June 2024

D-Day Tea Party

On Thursday, 6th June, Linchfield hosted a tea-party to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day landings. The service and sacrifice of the brave men and women who gave so much to allow us today to enjoy our freedom was acknowledged by the large number of guests who attended to support us on this special day. 'Resilience, Respect, Resourcefulness and Responsibility', values demonstrated so effectively 80 years ago in Normandy, are some of the values the children of Linchfield are taught to model daily. Two of the Year 6 children, Ava and Emily, demonstrated these values admirably, as they started our commemoration, sharing two wonderful poems they had written, to show their own respect for those who had fought for freedom. This was followed by Miss Hamby, who, in full 1940's dress, entertained our guests with a singalong to a range of songs from that era. All with tea and cake served by our fantastic volunteers.

A huge thank you should be offered to Mrs Donnelly and all her team of volunteers; whose organisation ensured the day was successful; as well as to all our guests who kindly gave up their time and money to support this important event. Until, 'We Meet Again,' thank you to all!



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Year 1 Seaside Day

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The children in Year 1 had a fantastic first day back and thoroughly enjoyed our seaside day. Children paddled, played in the sand, enjoyed beach games and finished the day with an ice cream. One of the children commented that 'This has been the best day ever!'. A great way to kickstart our History topic this term 'Seaside and Holidays in the past'.



Substance Abuse Workshop

On Thursday afternoon, Year 6 had a Substance Abuse Workshop. The children learnt about the effects of various drugs including alcohol. They had the chance to wear goggles which allowed them to experience how it feels to have consumed alcohol and cannabis. They were also educated about the forms in which these substances could be offered to them and how to say no. This was a hugely beneficial workshop which educated the children in an engaging and age appropriate way.



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Reading

Thank you to all the parent/carers who were able to join the children in EYFS and KS1 to share books on Wednesday morning. It was a great start to the day and the children loved having you in school.

Thank you to those who were able to stay and attend the reading meeting with Mrs Pilsworth which provided an overview of reading at Linchfield, including our use of Accelerated Reader. Mrs Pilsworth shared our school's approach to promoting Reading for Pleasure in addition to sharing ideas for supporting children with reading at home.



Year 4 Residential

Year 4 had a fantastic time at Grafham Water Centre where they enjoyed several different activities including High ropes, Kayaking, Canoeing and Archery! They excelled at canoeing and kayaking on day one and loved splashing about in the water afterwards! They all amazed us when they were trying new and extremely high challenges on the high ropes, and despite some nerves at the start they all persevered and faced their fears! They were all fantastic and each and every one of them did Linchfield school proud. Well done Year 4!



Year 2 Skegness Trip

Just before half term, Year 2 spent the day on Skegness beach investigating coastal sea defences. We were very lucky with the weather and had a great day out.

We looked at the man-made structures including groynes and the honey-comb sea wall. We could tell how well the groynes worked at preventing the sand moving across the beach because the children standing on one side of the groynes were much higher than those on the other side.

We also looked at the natural defences in the area. The sand dunes were covered in beach grass. Several children tried to pull up one of the grasses but were unable to because of its long roots. These roots hold the dunes together and act as a defence against the waves.

After lunch, we had time to have some fun on the beach. The children made some wonderful sandcastles and took part in a variety of races across the beach to finish off a wonderful day.

It was a great day and the children were brilliantly behaved throughout. Thank you to Mr Hines and Mrs Griffiths for accompanying us and joining in the fun.



Year 4 Activities

The Year 4 children, who remained in school whilst the residential took place, celebrated all things British with Mrs Sansby. They started by creating posters honouring the Best of British from food such as Haggis and Yorkshire puddings to famous landmarks like Stonehenge to a family tree of our Royal Family. The children played a great British favourite of Snakes and Ladders before enjoying a Wimbledon afternoon of tennis followed by strawberries. The following day, the children took inspiration from watching the Junior British bake off, they baked and decorated fairy cakes, made finger sandwiches and enjoyed a traditional afternoon tea.



School Parliament Tuck Shop

Thank you to Miss Lynch and School Parliament for setting up and running a Tuck Shop at breaktime for all of the children to enjoy. Thank you to all parents/carers who have supported the School Parliament by buying a snack for your child to enjoy at breaktime. Any profit from the School Parliament Tuck Shop will be used to buy new equipment for the children to enjoy in school. If the Tuck Shop is poplar this term we will consider continuing with it in the new academic year.



Year 4 Maths

To kick start Term 6, Y4 used the forest school area to recap and consolidate time. The children created large clocks using sticks and leaves before challenging each other to find different 12 hour and 24 -hour times. The children will use this knowledge to tackle problem and reason questions for the remainder of the week.



CIT Staff Values Award

Congratulations to Mrs Goodrum for winning a CIT Values Award last term and thank you to Mr Bell for coming into assembly to present the award. Mrs Goodrum is an integral member of the Linchfield team who always demonstrates both our School Values and CIT Values. She works extremely hard to ensure that all of the children she works with are safe, happy and supported to achieve their full potential. Well done and thank you Mrs Goodrum!



Bag2School

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By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided - this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to <u>http://uk.bag2school.com/</u> for full details).

Please bring in your unwanted items on the morning of Tuesday 18th June.



Diary Dates

Year 1 Visit to Lion King, New Theatre Foundation visit to Sacrewell Farm Year 3 Visit to The Lincoln Collection FLS Father's Day Shop Bag2School Collection Summer Dance - Picnic lunch with parents followed by dancing. Pop Up Restaurant - Year 6 Year 6 Puberty Workshop Year 6 Residential to Caythorpe PGL EYFS Sports Day - PM KS2 Sports Day - 9.00am KS1 Sports Day - 1.15pm Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 9.15am End of Term 6

Tuesday 11 June

Wednesday 12 June Friday 14 June Tuesday 18 June Friday 21 June Thursday 27 June Monday 1 July Wed 3 - Fri 5 July Thursday 11 July Friday 12 July

Friday 19 July

