

Linchfield Academy

Newsletter Monday 30th September 2024



Year 3 Art

Year 3 have been creating Harvest Festival artwork. They used the skills they have been learning in Art where they have been practising gestural drawing with charcoal.



Harvest Assembly

On Thursday 3rd October, we will be having a Harvest Celebration in school. We are asking for donations of non-perishable items that we can then donate to the Deepings Food Bank. Please bring these into school on the morning of the assembly.



Open Days - Reception Intake 2025

Thursday 10th October 2024 - 1.30pm & Wednesday 16th October 2024 - 9.30am

Do you have a child who was born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021? If so then your child is due to start school in September 2025

If you live in The Deepings or the surrounding villages please come and visit our school. We would like to take the opportunity to showcase our school and provide you with all the information that you need in preparation for your child starting school in September 2025.

Contact the school office at enquiries@linchfield-cit.co.uk or 01778347450 to book a place.



Email: enquiries@linchfield-cit.co.uk





At Linchfield Community Primary School we pride ourselves in offering quality first hand, memorable learning experiences to all of the children. Inspiring opportunities are provided to enable our children to become ambitious, confident citizens who are inquisitive, self-motivated, lifelong learners. Every child at Linchfield Community Primary School is given the chance to achieve their full potential, whatever that may be.

If you are unable to attend our Open Days or prefer to come individually please contact the school office to arrange a personal tour of the school at a time which is convenient to you.

School Information

Website: http://www.linchfield.lincs.sch.uk



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Kindness Week

This year we have decided to take part in the NSPCC Kindness Challenge which encourages kindness and raises money for children. We will join in with the Kindness Challenge during the week commencing 14th October. We will begin the week with a Kindness Assembly and then each child will receive a kindness sheet to complete during the week. Please click on the link below to find lots of activities which can be carried out throughout the week.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/support-us/charityfundraising/schools-fundraising-ideas/kindness-challenge/

We will end the week with a non-uniform day on Friday 18th October which children can participate in for a £2 donation. We will share the children's acts of kindness during Celebration Assembly.



Lincolnshire Day

As part of our annual 'Lincolnshire Day' celebrations, on Wednesday this week, we will hold an assembly to share with the children, everything that is special about our county. We will discuss the food, landmarks, history and attractions, that make Lincolnshire, such a special place to live. As part of this celebration, we would like to encourage the children to create a piece of artwork, 'linked to Lincolnshire.' This might be: a drawing/painting of the Lincolnshire flag; a piece of artwork depicting a famous Lincolnshire landmark, such as Lincoln Castle; or even a creative piece of work demonstrating the delicious food that Lincolnshire is famous for, (did you know that in addition to sausages and Lincolnshire Poacher Cheese, gingerbread also has some of its origins, linked to Lincolnshire. Therefore, a carefully collaged picture of a Gingerbread Man, would be particularly relevant to our celebrations of all things Lincolnshire. If the children could bring their artwork in for the Assembly on Wednesday, class teachers will be asked to choose some pieces of the work, to share in our assembly. There will be prizes for some of the most careful and original pieces!





Purchasing A Smart Phone For A Child

Is it the right time to get my child a Smart phone? This is something we are asked a lot especially by Primary School Parents. A new film by the charity Nip in the Bud discusses the hidden dangers of social media and smartphone use among children. If you are getting your child α phone we would urge watch the you to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Zhfd0jW7iY&t=605s the film provides insights from children, headteachers and doctors, shedding light on the everyday harm caused by digital platforms.

Key facts:

- 90% of 11-year-olds own a smartphone, and most under 13 have a social media profile.
- 90% of girls and 50% of boys have received explicit pictures or videos they didn't want to see.
- 80% of teenage girls are pressured to provide sexual images of themselves.
- 1 in 5 children have been bullied online. Among them, 24% self-harm and 22% change their appearance due to bullying. Only 13% delete the app where they are bullied.
- Boys as young as 13 have been targeted for sextortion scams.
- MRI scans show screen time reduces brain areas responsible for visual processing, empathy, attention, memory and early reading skills.
- Psychologists, headteachers and GPs are advocating for stricter guidelines: no smartphones until age 14, no social media until age 16

You can read more information here which provides more options to consider around technology prior to purchasing smartphones for children. Smartphones and social media fact sheet | Nip in the Bud | Free Downloadable Fact Sheet





Author Visit

Last week we had the enigmatic Luke Temple to entertain us with his new and exciting stories! Throughout the morning he entertained both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 separately sharing his current books. Key Stage 2 were emersed in the world of Felix Dashwood, a young adventurous girl. Key Stage 1 were introduced to the hilarious character of Frankie Fartalot! As a school, we were also lucky enough to have Luke Temple in a second day for book signing. Many of teachers also got him to sign the class Book of Books!





Gold School Games Mark

We have now achieved the **Gold School Games Mark** for the 2nd year running. The school games mark recognises the school's provision and engagement in physical activity and celebrates keeping young people active.

Mr Goff is extremely passionate about sport and as PE Lead, he ensures that exercise and games are at the heart of the school. He arranges PE Professional Development for staff and works with the Sport's Ambassadors to enhance their skills and make sure that PE provision meets the needs of all learners. Children at Linchfield are provided with a high standard of PE lessons and the opportunity to participate in a wide range of sporting events. Linchfield Staff encourage all pupils to try new physical activities, develop the skills required to be a good team player, enjoy and learn through competition and to achieve their personal best.



Diary Dates

Wednesday 2 October Lincolnshire Day Assembly
Thursday 3 October Harvest Celebration Assembly

Tuesday 8 October Girls Football
Wednesday 9 October Individual Photos

Thursday 10 Oct

Open Day - Reception Intake 2025 - 1.30pm

Year 3 Geography Walk in the Local Area

Times Tables Meeting for parents/carers – 3.30pm

Monday 14 October Kindness Week
Parents Evening

Tuesday 15 October Year 5 Space Planetarium

Wednesday 16 October Open Day - Reception Intake 2025 - 9.30am

Boys Football
Parents Evening

Friday 18 October Non-Uniform Day - £2 Donation

End of Term 1
Term 2 Begins
Flu Vaccinations
Roots to Food

Wed 30 Oct - Fri 1 Nov Roots to Food
Friday 15 November Children In Need
Tuesday 19 November Year 6 visit to Duxford

Thursday 19 December End of Term 2

Tuesday 29 October