



Linchfield Community Primary School

Newsletter

Wednesday 21st July 2021

Y6 Bramble Patch Adventures

Last week, Year 6 celebrated the end of their time at Linchfield with an incredible evening at The Bramble Patch. The children enjoyed a trailer ride through farmland before having time in the playground. The children were then split into teams in which they had to utilise their den-building skills so they could effectively hide a flag from the opposing team before playing capture the flag. When the children were worn out, they were rewarded with a hot dog and s'mores. Finally, a game of hide and seek took place and they impressed us all with their resourcefulness and bravery! All the staff who attended commented on how wonderful it was to see the children thoroughly enjoying themselves in the outdoors and working so well in teams. A truly fantastic time was had by all in a lovely setting. We wish them all well as they move onto their new schools.



Free School Meal Vouchers

The government has announced a further extension to the COVID grant support for vulnerable families to support them over the summer holiday. All Free School Meal families will receive a **£75 Tesco voucher** per eligible free school meal pupil of school age to support with meals during the summer holiday.



School Information

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Proposed School Day Arrangements for September 2021

As COVID-19 becomes a virus that we learn to live with, it is vital that we reduce the disruption to children and young people's education - particularly given that the direct clinical risks to children are extremely low, and every adult has been offered a first vaccine and the opportunity for two doses by mid-September. The evidence is clear that being out of education causes significant harm to educational attainment, life chances, mental and physical health.

We will hopefully return to normal school life in September which will provide flexibility in curriculum delivery and it means that assemblies can resume, and children can mix across the school at break times.

With all of this in mind I would like to share our proposed timings for the school day in September. Please be aware that this could all change depending on the latest Schools COVID-19 operational guidance.

Start of the Day

At the start of the school day KS1 and KS2 children can enter through either the front gate or the back gate. EYFS will need to enter through the EYFS gate (past the school office). We have found that it has worked well if parents/carers and children say their goodbyes at the gate and children make their own way into school in the morning as teachers are ready to greet them in the classroom and learning time begins promptly. There will always be an adult on the gate so if you need to get a message to your child's class teacher then please talk to the adult on the gate or go to the school office.

8.40am - 8.50am	KS2 children to enter school
8.50am - 9.00am	EYFS & KS1 children to enter school
9.00am	Gates are locked

If you have a child in EYFS/KS1 and KS2, please arrive at 8.50am.

End of the Day

At the end of the school day, EYFS children will need to be collected from their classroom doors and KS1 and KS2 children will be dismissed from the school playground. EYFS parents/carers will need to enter and exit through the EYFS gate (past the school office). KS1 and KS2 Parents/carers are welcome to enter and exit through either the front gate or the back gate at home time. A member of staff will walk KS1 and KS2 classes to a designated area on the playground and then dismiss the children one at a time to the person collecting them. Please do not call your child over to you as they must be handed over to you by a member of staff so that we know who they are going home with and that they are in safe hands. If you would like to talk to a member of staff at the end of the day, please ensure that you wait until all of the other children from the class are safely with their parents/carers. Once you have collected your child/ren you can leave through either the front gate or the back gate.

3.10pm	Foundation Stage home time - Collect from Classroom Doors
3.15pm	KS1 home time - Collect from Playground
3.20pm	KS2 home time - Collect from Playground

Please don't arrive at school before your child's drop off or collection time as the gate will not be open and it causes a queue both on the path and the road. If you are able to walk to school or park away from the school and walk, then please do so as this eliminates traffic building up directly outside the school and makes drop off and collection times much safer for everyone.

Children will only be released to adults who are named on your child's contact list. If your child is going home with someone different, you must inform the school office before the end of the school day.

Under no circumstances are parents allowed to enter the school building at drop off or collection times as this poses a serious safeguarding issue for the school. If you do need to enter the school you must report to the school office so that you are signed in and taken to where you need to be by a member of staff.

Year 2 Design & Technology

Year 2 have been extremely busy this term designing and making their very own alternative game of 'Noughts & Crosses'. Well done!



Inspire Playground Leaders

I am pleased to inform the school, friends and family that six children have successfully completed their playground leader training with Inspire Plus. In the new school year their new role will be supporting positive playground games and activities during break times.

I am very proud of all of them and I know they will do an amazing job!

Miss Baker.



Treehouse Wrap Around Care

Treehouse is available from Monday to Friday, if you require wrap around care. Timings are as follows:

Before School - 7.30am - 8.45am

After School -

3.15pm - 6.00pm

In order for us to ensure we adequately staff Treehouse, you must book a place for your child in advance. An online booking form will be sent out every Monday which needs to be completed and returned to us by 4pm on a Wednesday, detailing your childcare requirements for the following week.

If you book a place but no longer need it then please ensure that you cancel the space at least 24 hours in advance, otherwise you will be charged as staffing is based on the number of children in that day.



As we come to the end of the academic year, several members of staff are leaving for pastures new. After six enjoyable years at Linchfield Primary School, Miss Nightingale is ready for a change and has accepted a promotion in another primary school. After such a long time at the school, Miss Nightingale will definitely be missed and we hope that she will keep in touch.

Over the past year Miss Forman, Mr Whiting and Mrs Smith have been covering for staff absences in school. It has been great getting to know them and working with them all. They have worked hard and been a great support to the school.

We wish them all the very best of luck for the future.

Potatoes!

The Gardening Club helped Mr Sedgwick to plant some potatoes when we returned to school in March and they have recently harvested their crop! They dug up oodles of potatoes and then Farm Kitchen kindly cooked them for lunch in our school kitchen! Well done Gardeners and thank you Farm Kitchen!



School Uniform

Please ensure that all children return to school in September in their full school uniform. We are extremely proud of our school uniform and the sense of unity and belonging that it brings.

Please see our expectations for full school uniform below:

Green sweatshirt or cardigan, white polo shirt, grey/black trousers or tailored shorts, skirt, pinafore or green and white checked summer dress.

Black school shoes and plain grey socks/tights must be worn all year. We request that sandals and canvas shoes are not worn, to prevent unnecessary playground accidents. **Trainers and boots are not part of our school uniform and must not be worn to school.**

P.E. Kit should include a white t-shirt, green/black shorts and a pair of plimsolls or trainers. Jogging bottoms and a warm sweater will be needed for the colder months of the year.

All clothing items, PE bags, lunchboxes, water bottles etc must be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Jewellery

Jewellery presents a health and safety risk during the school day. **As such we request that children do not wear jewellery to school unless there is a medical reason. Children should only wear stud earrings in their ears and they must be able to take their own earrings out and put them back in again as they need to be removed for PE lessons. Teachers are no longer allowed to help children remove or insert earrings, nor are they allowed to put tape over their earrings for PE.**

We request that pupils have their ears pierced during the first weeks of the Summer Holidays so that they are able to remove ear rings upon their return to school.

Hair Accessories

If your child has long hair, please ensure that it is tied back neatly for school. **Small, school coloured hair accessories may be worn but large bows and brightly coloured accessories are not part of our school uniform.**

If you have any concerns about providing your child with full school uniform at the start of the new academic year, please contact the school beforehand.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation in this very important aspect of school life.



THANKYOU!

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we reach the end of the academic year, I just wanted to thank you all for your support during my first few terms at Linchfield School. I have been made really welcome by all of the staff and children which has really helped me to settle in and I feel privileged to have joined the Linchfield team. It has been an extremely challenging year for everyone with the pandemic, home learning and staff changes in the school to contend with and I know that we are all hoping for a little bit of normality in September. Our main priority in school is to ensure that all of our children are happy, safe and able to achieve their full potential through a wide range of memorable learning experiences.

When I first arrived, I said that I have an open-door policy as I believe that good communication is paramount, and this is still the case, so if you ever have any concerns, questions or good news then never hesitate to contact me.

It will be great to have a relaxing time with my family over the summer holiday but I am already looking forward to new adventures at Linchfield Primary School in September.

Have a wonderful summer holiday and I look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 6th September 2021.

Kind regards

Mrs Brockington

Online Safety

Controls are not a single solution to staying safe online; talking to your children and encouraging responsible behaviour is critical. However, controls are an important first step to helping to protect your child online. Here are seven simple things you can do to use them effectively:

1. Set up home broadband parental controls and make use of controls on your home broadband.
2. Set controls on your search engine; encourage your child to always use child-friendly search engines, and activate and lock the safe search settings on the browsers and platforms they use.
3. Make sure every device is protected. Controls should be installed on every device your child uses, such as their mobile phone, tablet and games consoles (both home and handheld).
4. Use privacy settings. Activate the safety measures offered by different sites; social networking sites like Facebook have privacy settings that will help prevent your child seeing unsuitable advertising or sharing too much with other people.
5. Block pop-ups. If you're worried about your children accessing inappropriate content through accidentally clicking on adverts in pop-ups, follow the advice from [Tech Advisor](#) on how to stop these.
6. Find good sites and agree on them as a family. By talking to your child about their interests you can help them find suitable sites to visit and apps to use. Review these sites as they get older.
7. Manage their use and access. Children may be very worried that your response to a problem will be to take away their internet access. Whilst this may be an appropriate response in some cases, the threat may be a barrier for a child who needs help. Be aware of this when talking to them about their internet use, and reassure them that they can talk to you or a trusted adult whenever they need to.



FLS Summer Holiday Challenge



FLS SUMMER HOLIDAY CHALLENGE

A SPONSORED (VIRTUAL) JOURNEY FROM LAND'S END TO JOHN O'GROATS

Together can we travel the length of Great Britain?

The FLS have decided to travel a mammoth 979 miles from Lands End to John O'Groats to help raise money for our school (all virtually of course). We'd like to enlist the help of all the amazing students of Linchfield Primary School to help us achieve this great feat!

Children can join the challenge and choose their fun way to travel: walk, run, cycle scoot etc.

Can we get there by the end of the six weeks holiday?



Share your pictures/videos on our Facebook page FLS. Friends of Linchfield School

Charity number: 1021315

All the money that is raised will be going towards new playground equipment

HAVE FUN AND RAISE FUNDS FOR SCHOOL

Why not ask your friends & family to sponsor you. Every mile logged helps us get to our final destination and raises money for the school. **All donations are given directly to Friends of Linchfield School**

1. Adults register at <https://worldwalking.org/groups/x62c1>
(Join button along the top bar)
2. Children walk, run, cycle & have fun!
3. Adults log the distance travelled on World Walking website or app
4. Please share the fundraising link <https://worldwalking.org/fundraising/dr3g0>

If you don't want to donate online you can take your donations to the school office in September



Deeping Summer Sports Camp

ULTIMATE SUMMER HOLIDAY FUN **Sports Camps For children 4-12 years**



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DEEPING

Linchfield Community Primary School

Crowson Way, Deeping St James, Peterborough
PE6 8EY

All days 9am-3pm.

Dates:

- 1) Thur 22nd & Fri 23rd July
- 2) Wed 28th, Thur 29th & Fri 30th July
- 3) Wed 4th, Thur 5th & Fri 6th August
- 4) Wed 11th, Thur 12th & Fri 13th August 2021



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Deeping Summer Sports Camp

THE ULTIMATE SUMMER SPORTS FUN DAYS AT LINCHFIELD COMMUNITY PRIMARY DEEPING

We are excited to be running our Kick-Off Sports Camps at Linchfield Community Primary School. Our events are for any child 4-12 years and children that attend other schools are also able to attend.

Children will participate in a range of different sporting & fun activities such as basketball, football, hockey, dodgeball, dance, arts, crafts with many more fun games.

Days will work to government guidelines around Covid 19 at the time our Sports Camps take place. Your child will need to bring with them the following: packed lunch, drinks, comfortable clothing and trainers.

The cost per day is £15. And only £10 for additional sibling(s) when booking.

To book please click the venue link you wish to attend:

Linchfield Community Primary: <https://forms.gle/GkgErTm7W94qdWNXA>

If you require further information visit www.kick-offsports.co.uk/holiday-clubs



SING SCHOOL 21

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31 Aug – 03 Sept, 10am – noon

With concert performance on Saturday 4th
In aid of the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust

**St Guthlac's Church, Market Deeping
and The Green School**

**For primary children in years 4-6 from any primary school in the
Deepings (parents and carers can come too)**

- Learn the basics of good singing
- Sing fun music with experienced leaders*
- If you play an instrument bring that too
- Find out about church bells and how they work
- BYO picnic lunch to join in with everyone at noon
- Refreshments provided during the morning (BYO drinks)
- All music provided



- More details on: www.stguthlacs.org.uk
- You can register by scanning the QR code
- When you've registered, we'll send you payment details
- Deadline for registration is **SUN 15 AUGUST**

COST: All four sessions £5 per person
**BUT for a family, £5 for the first person and then only £1 per person.
A family of five would pay a TOTAL of ONLY £9!**

**Project led by Peter Davies, a qualified teacher and youth worker who is Director of Music at St Guthlac's church*