



Newsletter 13 - Friday 11th March 2022



Welcome to our newsletter



Lindfield Primary Academy Book Week 2022

When it comes to celebrating books and reading, we don't do things by halves! We had a great time during our LPA Book Week doing all sorts of bookish things and the fun does not stop here! We have a few more author visits on the horizon AND we are looking forward to celebrating some lovely performance poetry. Why not have a go at learning a poem by heart and put a recording of your performance on Seesaw by the 13th of March!

Year 1 loving the library Superb Limepalm Drama Workshop A HUGE thank you to the PTA for arranging parents to read to us



A FUN and FUNNY Early Years and KS1 assembly was enjoyed by all led by brilliant author Tom Mackewn reading his great book 'Dermot, the Scuba-Diving Banana' to us. Tom also treated us to great class workshops! Author and poet Roger Stevens will be joining us next week to also run class workshops and inspirational assemblies.



Drop everything and read



We had great fun dressing up as our favourite characters on World Book Day. We also wore our pyjamas for a good cause and raised £420 for Time4Children.



STARS of the Newsletter

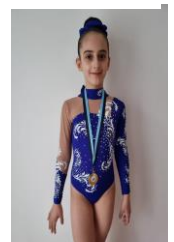
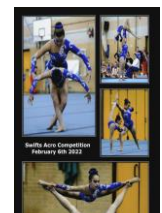
Cross Country Stars

Three of our Year 6 children competed for Mid-Sussex in the Primary Cross-Country Finals in Brighton. There were 7 teams competing from across Sussex. Joe came 10th in the Year 6 boy's race (in a field of 140+ Boys) and the Mid Sussex Boys and the Year 6 team came 3rd overall and received bronze medals. Lucy and Millie both ran really well in the Year 6 girls' race too. It was a lovely event and a great experience where they showed fantastic team spirit!



Misha the Gymnast

Misha Attard (Year 6 Elm) takes part in acrobatic gymnastics which is a modern and artistic discipline. Routines are carefully choreographed and this requires the need for strength, agility, flexibility, balance and acrobatic skill. Great Britain is one of the most respected nations in the world for acrobatic gymnastics. Misha trains often and her Perseverance and hard work has led to her winning two gold medals in recent events. Watch this space...we may see her in the Olympics soon!



Online Safety and Well-being

There are lots of positives for children being online, however there can be negatives too. For some it can become overwhelming trying to keep up with friends, and the pressure can mount.

Many things can impact our online wellbeing, and you can take control of the choices made to reduce any negativity.

Being aware of the impact of being online, just like you would be aware of the impact of offline activities, is the first step to managing your children's online wellbeing.

We can:

Manage the content that our children see

Ensure interactions are suitable

Manage how long they're online, in balance with other activities.

There are several things you can do to help support a child with their wellbeing online, including specific apps designed to support children's well-being online.

BBC Own it – gives advice on chatting on line

Headspace for kids -is an app to teach children the basics of mindfulness in a fun way. It's aimed at 3-12 year olds, with different content for the different age groups.

JoyPop - is an app designed to help users find their inner resilience to deal with the highs and lows in their day to day lives. By rating mood for the day, users are directed to complete different activities to help switch to positive emotions. App costs £6.99.

'Wonderful Walking' from Charlie and Freya

Charlie and Freya have been walking 10,000 steps every day in March for Cancer Research UK in memory of their Dad.

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/kellys-walk-all-over-cancer-giving-page-2356> Freya is also picking up litter on her walk to help save the planet too! What a team!



Attendance Update

Whole Academy attendance:

28th Feb – 11th March: **94.3%**

Highest KS1 class: **Pear (Y1) – 98.7%**

Highest KS2 class: **Cedar (Y5) – 98.7%**



On Friday 18th March our academy will be celebrating Red Nose Day. To show our support, we are asking the children to come to school dressed in non-school uniform and make a small donation to the charity Comic Relief. Children are also welcome to wear a fancy dress costume along with any Red Nose Day merchandise if they wish. This year Comic Relief are working alongside their partners to ensure that the Red Nose Day donations are used to support people from Ukraine.

Term Dates for 2022-23

Autumn Term 2022:

Thursday 1st September to Friday

16th December 2022

Half term break: 24th – 28th October 2022

Spring Term 2023:

Tuesday 3rd January to Friday

31st March 2023

Half term break: 13th – 17th February 2023

Summer Term 2023:

Monday 17th April to Friday 21st July 2023

Half term break: 29th May – 2nd June 2023

INSET DAY DATES 2022-23 TO BE ADVISED

Ready Respectful Safe

Well done to these wonderful children who have been consistently showing our academy values and being Ready, Respectful and Safe in the past 2 weeks.



Eco Corner

Now that the weather is starting to warm up, lots of us are beginning to think more about our gardens. Why not think about planting some seeds and or plants in the garden that will in the summer attract the bees, butterflies and wildlife!

Also, if giving your garden an earlier mow, please be careful of strimming as lots of hedgehogs are still hibernating. Happy gardening!

Curriculum Corner Science

At Lindfield Primary Academy we are extremely passionate about science and preparing children for life in an increasingly scientific world. We encourage LPA children to care for the world around them and develop a growing understanding of scientific ideas. Science learning starts in EYFS with lots of exploration of the world around them and this continues all the way to Year 6. We ensure that all children get the opportunity to investigate and explore topics that are relevant to them through an exciting and engaging science curriculum which is built upon every year they are at Lindfield.

Our aim by the end of their time at LPA is for all children to leave with a curiosity about the world around them so that they want to ask questions about what they see. We are very excited to take part in 'British Science Week' next week with a focus on 'growth'. The aim is for every class to take part in 5 days of science, whether this is a ten minute discussion on some scientific news or an investigative science lesson. Keep an eye out on Seesaw for some exciting science activities for you to take part in at home.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tue 15 th Mar	Author visit – Roger Stevens
Wed 16 th Mar	Book signing – Roger Stevens 3pm
Thu 17 th Mar	Author visit – Sophy Henn
Fri 18 th Mar	Red Nose Day – non-uniform
Fri 25 th Mar	Yr 6 Grammar & maths parent information meeting 9am
Wed 30 th Mar	Yr 6 SATs parent information meeting 6.30pm
4 th – 8 th Apr	Yr 6 Bikeability Week 1
5 th & 6 th Apr	EY visits to Bluebell Railway
Fri 8 th Apr	Spring term ends
Mon 25 th Apr	INSET Day – closed to pupils
Tue 26 th Apr	Summer term begins
26 th – 29 th Apr	Yr 6 Bikeability Week 2
Mon 2 nd May	Bank Holiday – closed
9 th – 12 th May	Yr 6 SATs week