

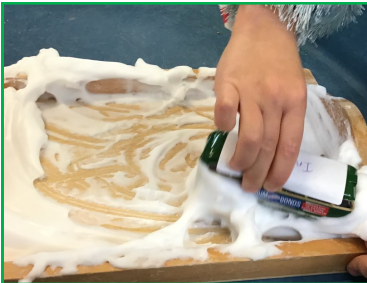
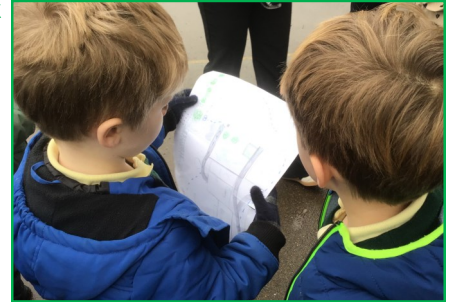


Newsletter 10 – Friday 24th January 2025

Welcome to our newsletter. There's been a Naughty Bus on the loose this week!

Early Years and The Naughty Bus!

This week in Early Years we have been using our map reading skills to track down The Naughty Bus! We spent time looking at our maps and finding key 'landmarks' that we recognised around the school. The children were able to follow the map to all 5 bus stops until they eventually found the Naughty Bus hiding in KS2! When we got back to our classrooms we added some symbols and a key to our map for other people to follow.



Over the past few days, we have been trying to find out which surfaces are the best for the Naughty Bus to travel across. We made some excellent predictions before the bus went zooming through slimy baked beans, skidding in shaving foam and travelling through bumpy pasta. After our experiment we all came to the conclusion that smooth, flat surfaces were the best!

What a great week we have had!

Staffing News

We are pleased to update you with some new members of staff who have joined us either side of the Christmas break. We welcome Mrs Hadden and Mrs Duncan to work with Year 2, Mrs Grey has joined us to work across KS1, Mrs Nash has been recruited to work specifically with some of our children in receipt of the Pupil Premium and Mrs Robbins has joined our lunchtime supervising team. We know that you will join us in giving them all a warm Lindfield welcome.

STARS of the Newsletter

Reducing litter, caring for our environment

We hope you have noticed the reduction of litter on our playgrounds recently...

Thanks to a team of committed pupils, we have hugely reduced the amount of litter in the academy grounds. Children across Year 4 and Year 6 have been working really hard during breaktimes to pick up discarded wrappers. Pupils in Pine class collected a whopping 85 pieces of litter off the playground in just one lunchtime! Whilst we are thrilled the children are showing such dedication to ensuring our academy is clean and tidy, the amount of litter continues to be an issue.

We are a 'Healthy School' and promote fruit and vegetable snacks for playtimes. Much of the litter collected is from packaged snacks. We would appreciate your support in providing your child/children with a piece of fruit/veg or other healthy snack in a labelled, reusable pot to reduce the packaging that gets left behind at playtimes.



Inclusion Ambassadors

Two weeks ago the Inclusion Ambassadors (Sam specifically) got a reply from Nick Bending from Upcountry in response to our request for some plants for our calm zone in the playground.

We got a voucher to buy some plants and also got given some books, tools, gnomes and seeds too!

The inclusion ambassadors were very excited!

Thank you to Upcountry for their donation.



LPA

Over and Above

Elena Main	Tillie Irvine
Heidi Gregorick	Lola Gregory
Rufus Eagle	Aaron Slarks
Isaac Rumsby	Isabel McCullough
Davison	Rose Feltham
Finn Drezner	Lydia Clay-Goard
Quinn Faraday	Alfie Allen
Maisie Anderson	Alice Elcott
Jack Burke	Jaimini Griffiths
Flo Randall-	Naomi Roberjot
Vaughan	Jessica Bell
Henry Thorndyke	Aimee Howard

PTA News

It was so lovely to see some new faces at the PTA meeting on Tuesday. It was a very productive meeting, we had some excellent discussions and funded a lot of fantastic ideas put forward by the staff. Look out for the minutes which will be sent via ParentMail for more detail on this.

Upcoming events:

Year 2/3 Disco, Friday 7th February: Please look out for a ParentMail coming out this week about how to book tickets and volunteer to help.

Uniform Sale, Wednesday 5th February at The Stand Up after school: Details to follow

Role Model Week: wc 10th February: Thank-you so much to everyone who has volunteered to take part

Book Week: 7th March: Thank-you to everyone who offered to read

Quiz Night: 7th March: Details to follow

Stars of the stage

At the start of January, three LPA pupils performed in the 'Robin Hood and the Babes in the Wood' pantomime with the Weald Theatre Group.

The Weald Theatre Group choose a charity each year to support and this year they chose local charity, Finley's Touch.

Ada (Yr6) and Erin (Yr3) were part on the junior ensemble and Luca (Yr6) was the baddie's sidekick and enjoyed all the boos!

The Dog House

Could you provide a loving home for a rescue dog?

The Channel 4 series, The Dog House, is looking for couples, individuals, friends and families who are seriously considering bringing a rescue dog into their lives and are willing to share their reasons for doing so.



Developing diversity in the curriculum

Staff were lucky to receive training last week from Sula Graham, educational consultant and coach.

Sula inspired and supported us to look deeper into our curriculum and plan for further opportunities to celebrate and teach diversity. As a team we feel empowered to continue to ensure we provide all our pupils with the knowledge and understanding to become secure, caring individuals who demonstrate kindness towards others. Every member of our academy community has the right to feel safe and valued. We are committed to ensuring our curriculum and academy environment is inclusive and enables everyone to be seen and heard.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 25th Jan: Yr5 Greek Workshop Day

Wed 27th Jan: Yr4-6 School Council members to Houses of Parliament

Fri 31st Jan: CommuniTEA event

Week beg 10th Feb: Role Model Week

Fri 14th Feb: INSET Day (school closed to pupils)