



# Lingfield Primary School

## Newsletter

### July 2026

#### Message from Head Teacher

As we reach the end of another successful academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our pupils, parents, carers and staff for their support, hard work and commitment throughout the year.

I am incredibly proud of everything our pupils have achieved. From their learning in the classroom to their successes in sport, music, the arts and the wider opportunities offered throughout the year, they have consistently demonstrated enthusiasm, resilience, kindness and a determination to do their very best. It has been wonderful to see their confidence grow and their individual talents shine.

I would also like to extend my sincere thanks to our parents and carers. Your support, encouragement and partnership have played a vital role in helping our children thrive. Whether supporting learning at home, ensuring good attendance and punctuality, volunteering at events or simply working with us when challenges arise, your contribution makes a real difference to our school community.

This year has been filled with memorable experiences, achievements and celebrations, and together we have continued to create a positive, caring and ambitious environment where every child can succeed.

To our Year 6 pupils, we wish you every success and happiness as you move on to the next stage of your education. We are incredibly proud of the young people you have become and know that you will continue to achieve great things.

I hope everyone enjoys a safe, restful and well-deserved summer break. We look forward to welcoming our families back in September and beginning another exciting year together. Thank you once again for your continued support.

#### KS2 SATS Results Delayed

We have been informed that the release of this year's Key Stage 2 SATs results has been delayed nationally. Schools will now receive pupils' results on 16 July 2026.

As soon as we receive the results, we will work hard to process them and ensure they are sent home to parents and carers on the same day.

We appreciate your patience and understanding. We know that many families are keen to receive this information, and we will share the results with you at the earliest possible opportunity.

#### Water Bottles

##### Stay Hydrated the Right Way!

We encourage all pupils to bring a water bottle filled with **water only** to school. Water is essential for staying alert, focused, and healthy throughout the day. Please remember that **juice is only permitted at lunchtime as part of a packed lunch** and should not be brought into the classroom. This helps us maintain a clean learning environment and supports healthy habits for everyone. Thank you for your cooperation!

#### The Importance of Being on Time

I would like to take this opportunity to share the significant impact that lateness can have on both individual pupils and the wider class.

So far this academic year, pupils who have arrived late on multiple occasions have accumulated a total of **5,244 minutes of lost learning**. This equates to over **87 hours** of teaching time missed.

Being late does not only affect the pupil who arrives after the start of the school day. Pupils can miss important instructions, phonics sessions, maths starters, registration activities and opportunities to settle into learning alongside their peers. Arriving late can also make children feel rushed or anxious, which can affect their confidence and readiness to learn.

In addition, late arrivals can disrupt the flow of lessons for the whole class, requiring staff to revisit instructions and interrupt learning that has already begun.

We are grateful to the many families who consistently ensure their children arrive on time each day. Your support helps children make the most of every learning opportunity. If you are experiencing difficulties with punctuality, please do speak to us—we are always keen to work with families to find solutions and ensure every child gets the best possible start to their school day.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maximise every minute of learning for our pupils.

### Early Arrivals

Children have been arriving on the school site early, we appreciate parents need to get to work but we wanted to make parents aware that children during this time are not supervised by staff. This means that if anything happens during this time, we cannot guarantee their safety.

We understand that some children come in early to help with jobs around the school, and this is fantastic. In these cases, staff are aware of their presence and they are supervised.

Please ensure that your child does not arrive too early unless arrangements have been made with a member of staff. Thank you for your support in keeping all our pupils safe.

### Afternoon Collections

We have noticed an increase in the number of pupils being collected from school before the end of the school day without supporting medical evidence.

Attendance is vital to children's learning, and regular early collections can result in pupils missing important teaching, learning activities and end-of-day routines. To ensure that attendance is recorded accurately and in line with Department for Education guidance, any request to collect a child before the end of the school day (3:15pm) for medical reasons must be supported by appropriate evidence, such as an appointment letter, text message, email confirmation or medical card.

Where a child is collected early and no medical evidence is provided, the missed session may be recorded as an **unauthorised absence**.

We understand that, on occasion, genuine circumstances arise. If you need to collect your child early, please contact the school office in advance wherever possible and provide any relevant evidence to support the absence.

Thank you for your support in helping us maximise learning time and maintain high attendance for all pupils.

### Support at Sporting Events

I would like to thank all parents and carers for their continued support of our sporting events throughout the year. It has been wonderful to see so many families attending competitions, cheering on our pupils and celebrating their achievements. Your encouragement means a great deal to the children and helps make these experiences even more special.

As we have welcomed many new families to our sporting events this year, I would like to clarify a few arrangements for next year to ensure consistency and safeguard all pupils.

When attending sporting events during the school day, pupils will not be permitted to leave the event with parents or carers before 2.30pm. If an event finishes earlier than this, pupils are expected to return to school with staff and complete the remainder of the school day.

If parents or carers wish to collect their child after 2.30pm directly from an event, this must be arranged in advance with the member of staff leading the event. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate requests made on the day.

### A Note Regarding Spectator Attendance at Sporting Events

I am aware that some sporting events do not allow parents and carers into the venue to watch. I appreciate that this can be disappointing and, at times, frustrating, particularly when you are eager to support your child and celebrate their achievements.

However, I would like to reassure you that these decisions are made solely for safeguarding reasons. Many events involve large numbers of children from multiple schools, and venue organisers must ensure that all pupils can be easily supervised and kept safe throughout the event. Restricting spectators helps organisers know exactly who is on site, reduces potential safeguarding risks and allows staff to focus fully on the children participating.

As a school, the safety and wellbeing of all children is our highest priority. I am sure you will appreciate that, while we always want to encourage parental support, safeguarding must come first. We therefore ask all parents and carers to respect and adhere to the arrangements put in place by event organisers and host schools.

Please be assured that staff are always incredibly proud to share pupils' successes, and where possible we will continue to provide updates, photographs and results so that families can celebrate these achievements alongside us.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support. Together, we can ensure that all children enjoy these valuable sporting opportunities safely and successfully.

### Wrap Around – The Hideaway

I am pleased to let parents and carers know that our **wraparound care charges will remain unchanged next academic year.**

- **Morning session:** £4.00
- **After-school session:** £9.00

From September, if a parent is unexpectedly delayed at the end of the school day and is unable to collect their child on time, children may be supervised in our wraparound provision until collection. In these circumstances, a charge of **£1.00 per child** will be applied for 15minutes. If the delay is after 3:30pm then the full cost of £9.00 will be implemented. This is not a bookable option and is intended solely to provide a short, flexible collection window for families who are occasionally running late.

If you unexpectedly require a place and have forgotten to make a booking, please **email the school office before the end of the school day.** Mrs Padgett and Mrs Martin monitor emails after school specifically to support with any last-minute changes to childcare arrangements, and we will do our best to accommodate requests where possible.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Having accurate booking information helps us to ensure that all children attending wraparound care are safe, well supervised and provided for appropriately. We greatly appreciate your support in helping us manage this provision effectively.

### Staff

We would like to share some important news with you. Mrs Rose will be leaving us the end of this term, she has been a great asset to Lingfield Primary School, and we wish her well on the next part of her journey.

### Transition day 6<sup>th</sup> July

On **Monday 6 July**, all pupils will spend the day with their **new class teacher and teaching assistant** as part of our annual Transition Day. Children should arrive and enter and exit school through their **usual classroom doors** on this day.

At Lingfield, we place great importance on supporting children through periods of transition. Moving to a new class can bring a mixture of excitement and nervousness, and we recognise that some children may experience anxiety about the changes ahead.

Spending a day with their new teacher, classmates and support staff helps children become familiar with their new learning environment before the summer holidays. It provides an opportunity to see their new classroom, find out where they will sit, locate their peg and cloakroom area, and begin to build positive relationships with the adults who will be supporting them next year.

We believe this additional time is invaluable in helping children feel settled, confident and excited about the year ahead. By reducing uncertainty and answering any questions they may have, we hope to make the return to school in September as smooth and positive as possible for every child.

We know how important these arrangements are for our pupils' wellbeing and look forward to seeing them embrace this exciting step in their school journey.

### Extra Transition

Some children we know will still be worried in September about returning to school, therefore as we did last year, we will be opening school up to those children (through invite) to come and have a chat with the class teacher and see the classroom in advance of returning. If you do not receive an invite and think your child would benefit from this, please speak to Mrs Jones and we will happily arrange this for you.

## Class Teachers

|                                                                                                                                                |                     |                            |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Nursery                                                                                                                                        | Mrs Stoddart        | Mrs Norris                 |
| Reception                                                                                                                                      | Mrs Shipp/Mrs Clark | Miss Duffy                 |
| Year 1                                                                                                                                         | Mrs Graham          | Mrs Freer & Miss Fordy     |
| Year 2                                                                                                                                         | Mrs Park/Mr Jukes   | Miss Fordy                 |
| (Mrs Park will be returning from maternity leave in November, Mr Jukes will be class teacher until then and then teach 1 day a week in Year 2) |                     |                            |
| Year 3                                                                                                                                         | Mr Carter           | Miss Bethell & Miss Stokes |
| Year 4                                                                                                                                         | Mrs Jones           | Mrs Bethell & Mrs Maiden   |
| (Mr Jukes will teach 1 day per week in Year 4 after October half term)                                                                         |                     |                            |
| Year 5                                                                                                                                         | Miss Hoskins        | Mrs Stokes                 |
| Year 6                                                                                                                                         | Mrs Gamble          | Mrs Stokes                 |

Miss Davis & Mrs Hewitt will be working across the school

## Dates for your Diary

These dates can change. In the event they do the next newsletter will be updated or a message will be sent home. We will add extra dates as they come up.

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|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Year 6 transition dates to Kings Academy              | 06-08/07/2026          |
| Year 3 Visit to Dorman Museum                         | 08/07/2026             |
| Year 6 transition to Stokesley                        | 08-10/07/2026          |
| Nursery Visit to Hall Hill Farm – parent              | 09/07/2026             |
| School Summer Fair – parents invited picnic style     | 10/07/2026 from 1.30pm |
| Year 6 Leavers Trip                                   | 14/07/2026             |
| Year 6 Leavers Assembly                               | 17/07/2026             |
| Break up for the summer – children in school last day | 17/07/2026             |
| Children return to school                             | 02/09/2026             |

This is a copy of the school holidays for the academic year 2026/2027. PD days have not been confirmed yet.

## Middlesbrough LA School Holiday and Term Dates 2026 - 2027

|           | AUGUST 2026   | SEPTEMBER 2026 | OCTOBER 2026  | NOVEMBER 2026 | DECEMBER 2026 | JANUARY 2027  |
|-----------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Monday    | 3 10 17 24 31 | 7 14 21 28     | 5 12 19 26    | 2 9 16 23 30  | 7 14 21 28    | 4 11 18 25    |
| Tuesday   | 4 11 18 25    | 1 8 15 22 29   | 6 13 20 27    | 3 10 17 24    | 1 8 15 22 29  | 5 12 19 26    |
| Wednesday | 5 12 19 26    | 2 9 16 23 30   | 7 14 21 28    | 4 11 18 25    | 2 9 16 23 30  | 6 13 20 27    |
| Thursday  | 6 13 20 27    | 3 10 17 24     | 1 8 15 22 29  | 5 12 19 26    | 3 10 17 24 31 | 7 14 21 28    |
| Friday    | 7 14 21 28    | 4 11 18 25     | 2 9 16 23 30  | 6 13 20 27    | 4 11 18 25    | 1 8 15 22 29  |
| Saturday  | 1 8 15 22 29  | 5 12 19 26     | 3 10 17 24 31 | 7 14 21 28    | 5 12 19 26    | 2 9 16 23 30  |
| Sunday    | 2 9 16 23 30  | 6 13 20 27     | 4 11 18 25    | 1 8 15 22 29  | 6 13 20 27    | 3 10 17 24 31 |

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|           | FEBRUARY 2027 | MARCH 2027    | APRIL 2027   | MAY 2027      | JUNE 2027    | JULY 2027     |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| Monday    | 1 8 15 22     | 1 8 15 22 29  | 5 12 19 26   | 3 10 17 24 31 | 7 14 21 28   | 5 12 19 26    |
| Tuesday   | 2 9 16 23     | 2 9 16 23 30  | 6 13 20 27   | 4 11 18 25    | 1 8 15 22 29 | 6 13 20 27    |
| Wednesday | 3 10 17 24    | 3 10 17 24 31 | 7 14 21 28   | 5 12 19 26    | 2 9 16 23 30 | 7 14 21 28    |
| Thursday  | 4 11 18 25    | 4 11 18 25    | 1 8 15 22 29 | 6 13 20 27    | 3 10 17 24   | 1 8 15 22 29  |
| Friday    | 5 12 19 26    | 5 12 19 26    | 2 9 16 23 30 | 7 14 21 28    | 4 11 18 25   | 2 9 16 23 30  |
| Saturday  | 6 13 20 27    | 6 13 20 27    | 3 10 17 24   | 1 8 15 22 29  | 5 12 19 26   | 3 10 17 24 31 |
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| Bank Holiday   | Red    |
| School Holiday | Blue   |
| PD Days        | Yellow |

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The number of term days shown is 195. Up to five of these will be used as professional development (PD) days for teaching staff, pupils will not attend these days. PD days are determined by the individual schools and schools should inform parents accordingly.