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### Linby-cum-Papplewick C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an incredibly busy half term with lots happening around school. Our Year 6 children have worked hard during SATs week, and we are so proud of their efforts. Lots of children have had the opportunity to take their learning outside of school, with educational visits and representing the school in different sporting events.

## **Staffing update**

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs Sophie Roberts to Ash Class. Sophie comes to us with a wealth of experience, having worked at a school in Nottingham City. We are excited to welcome her to our team and look forward to the positive impact she will have on our children.

It is with sadness that we announce Miss Parrott and Miss Gunn will be leaving us in July 2024. Miss Parrott has secured a teaching assistant position in Dubai. We wish her all the very best in her new adventures and thank her for the outstanding work over the last three years here at Linby. Miss Gunn has made the decision to return to studying. She will be greatly missed by all. We are currently recruiting for both positions.

#### **Sporting Updates**

The summer term has been a busy one on the sporting field. Many of our children have had the opportunity to represent Linby C of E Primary School in a variety of sporting events.

**Boccia:** Six children participated in a Boccia competition against other local schools. Two of our sports leaders helped to officiate the event. Everyone had a lot of fun!

**Cricket:** Our Year 5 and Year 6 boys competed in a cricket festival at Mansfield Hosiery Mills. The boys made it through to the semi-finals. They finished 4<sup>th</sup> out of 14, and we are extremely proud of this achievement.

**Football:** After the successes of the last academic year, our football team, which includes children from Year 4, 5 and 6, were promoted to playing in the Jacob Oliver League. So far this year, the children have played four games and although the results have not gone our way, they have showed courage, determination and excellent teamwork in all of the matches. We have one game left to play after half term.

**Hockey:** A team of Year 5 and 6 children represented the school in a tournament played at Kingsway Park. The children played against three other local schools. The standard on show was extremely high and Linby finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in their group. A big well done to the children who participated in the tournament.

#### **Upcoming events**

There are lots of different events that are coming up in the Summer 2 Term for us all to look forward to. We have provided you with further details below:

**BELIEVE Academy Dance sessions (starting Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024):** We are very fortunate to be able to invite BELIEVE Academy into school to deliver weekly dance lessons to each class. BELIEVE Academy will be working with the children and staff during their PE lessons.

These sessions will take place on a Thursday afternoon starting on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024. The first session falls on the same day as the group and leavers photographs; therefore, children will need to attend school in their school uniform. They will change into their outdoor shoes for the session. In the following weeks, we ask that children come into school on a Thursday in their PE uniform.

**OWLS Father's Day BBQ (7<sup>th</sup> June 2024 4pm – 9pm):** Join us for a fun-filled BBQ event to celebrate Father's Day. Bring your family and enjoy delicious food and great company! Enjoy slushies, sweets, ice-creams and doughnuts.

**Road Safety Afternoon (24**<sup>th</sup> **June 2024):** The Via East Midlands Road Safety Team, in partnership with Nottinghamshire County Council, will be visiting Linby to work with each year group and provide them with age-appropriate road safety knowledge. We hope these sessions will be very informative and help to keep all of the children safe on the roads.

**Potted Sports Afternoon (2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024):** This will involve the children being put into mixed-age groups. Children will take part in lots of different Olympic-themed sport activities and will be awarded points for showing the sports values: passion, self-belief, honesty, determination and teamwork. We will require volunteers for the day, so please contact Mrs Howe in the school office to let her know if you are able to help out.

**Linby Summer Fair (Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2024):** We are holding a Summer Fair at the beginning of July. The Summer Fair is a fantastic opportunity for the whole community to come together and have a great time. We encourage everyone to attend and bring along family and friends. It's a perfect way to celebrate the summer season and support our school. Each class will be selling items they have made as part of an 'Enterprise' initiative. The challenge is on to see which class makes the most money! The money raised will go towards our new library.

Further information will be given closer to the time relating to the Sports Evening event on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

#### **INSET Days the Academic Year 2024/2025**

Please note the following INSET Days for the 2024/25 academic year. These are important dates when students will not be attending school due to staff training. We ask that you use the INSET Days to book holidays on to prevent children from missing learning during term time.

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024 Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025 Monday and Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> July 2025











As ever, if we can help in any way or if you have any questions or concerns, you can talk to any of the senior leadership team at the beginning or end of the day outside school or you are welcome to contact us by phone. We will get back to you as soon as we can.

Thank you for your continued support through the half term. We wish you and your family an enjoyable and restful half term break.

Warmest regards,

Rachel Hodge and Natasha Murray

# **Key Dates for your diary:**

Friday 24th May 2024: Break up for the half term break

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024: INSET Day – School closed

Tuesday 4th June 2024: Return for Summer 2 half term

Tuesday 4th June 2024 - Friday 14th June 2024: Year 4 Multiplication Check

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024: National Weights and Measures (Reception and Year 6 children)

Friday 7th June 2024: OWLS event – Father's Day BBQ

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024 – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024: Phonics Screening Check (Year 1 and Year 2 re-takes)

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024:** OWLS event - Non-uniform Day - Bring a £1 to wear red, white and blue to celebrate the start of Euro 2024.

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024:** Road Safety Afternoon – VIA workshops for all year groups

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024: OWLS event - Non-uniform Day - Bring in an item of the colour your class has been given (Ash - Blue, Elm - Green, Fir - Yellow. Oak - Red)

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024:** Potted Sports Afternoon (weather dependent) – parent help needed

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2024: Elm Class visit to The Deep – letter to follow.











**KEY DATES** 

Wednesday 10th July and Thursday 11th July 2024: National Academy Transition

Days for Year 6 pupils (who will be attending National Academy in September 2024).

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024: Year 6 Stepping Up Day at Southwell Minster – letter to follow.

Friday 12th July 2024: Sports After School Event

Thursday 25th July 2024: Break up for the Summer Holidays

Friday 26th July 2024: INSET Day – School closed









