



LLS News

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Dear families

Following a ballot of its members, the National Union of Education Union (NEU) has announced a series of strikes, which might affect Linden Lodge on the following dates:

- Wednesday 1st February
- Thursday 2nd March
- Wednesday 15th March
- Thursday 16th March

It is our intention to remain open on those dates. However, staff shortages due to strike action, may mean that we will be unable to deliver our normal provision. The options we will be looking at are not limited to, but will include:

- merging classes
- having activity-based days
- restricting attendance to vulnerable children and/or children of critical workers
- closing the school

Limiting attendance, or closing the school is a last resort and will only happen if we are unable to provide safe staffing levels.

It is important that you are aware that there is a strong possibility that the normal school day will be disrupted on strike days, we will do everything we can to ensure that the impact is minimised. We are currently working to understand the implications and consider the best way forward and will be in touch as soon as possible to outline our planned approach.

Yours sincerely,

Monika Gaweda & Sarah Norris
Co-Headteachers

This week the newsletter features the Primary Department's exciting and engaging learning activities to celebrate Chinese New Year and Australia Day.

Have a lovely weekend.



Term Dates

Spring Term 2023

- **First day for pupils**
Tuesday 3rd January 2023
- **Last day for pupils**
Friday 31st March 2023
- **Half term break** Monday 13th to Friday 17th February 2023
- **Planning and Preparation Day (no pupils)**
Monday 20th February 2023

Dates for your diary

24th January - Year 9 booster vaccinations
(for pupils with returned permission forms)

31st January—8-9pm — C@LL—RHSE talk for parents and carers

3rd February—NSPCC Number Day

6th –10th February—Children's Mental Health Week

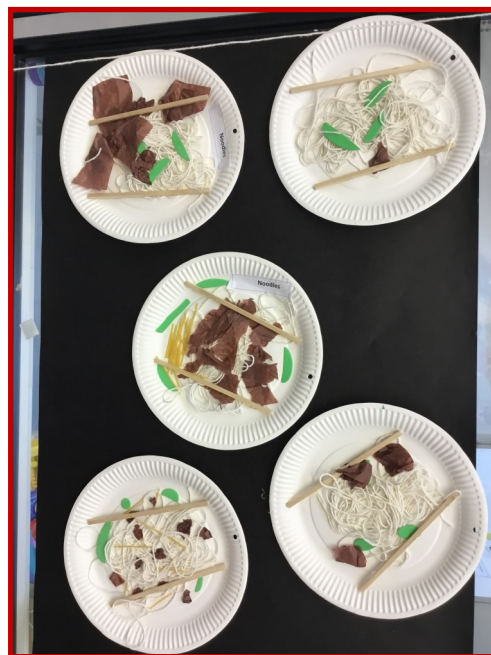
7th February—Safer Internet Day



Learning at Linden Lodge

Harp class have been Celebrating Chinese New Year.

They made noodles, created a display for their classroom and listened to a variety of different stories such as the Fortune Tales/ The Story of Lunar New Year and all the different experiences and traditional customs that are made during this special celebration time.



Harp class have also been enjoying their horse riding sessions this term.



Star of the Week/Kindness Award

Enea for settling into class and a new school. For developing friendships and engaging in learning on his timetable

Daniel for using his My Way walker three times this week and doing some great walking with Kristina!

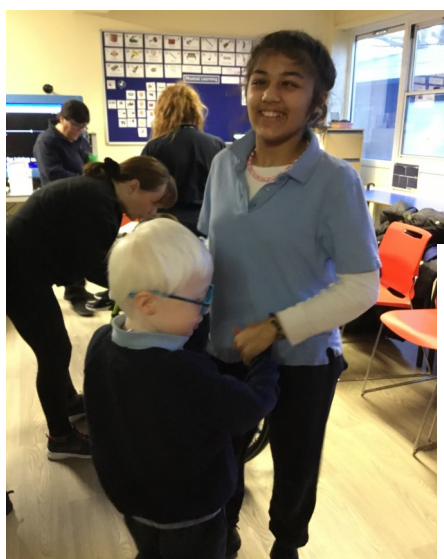
Nicolas for doing brilliant work, joining chunks of songs together and singing during group activities



Primary Department Assembly

We celebrated Australia Day in assembly today. It was such fun listening to the sounds and descriptions of the different animals, food, musical instruments and environment. We loved the sounds of the kangaroo, the laughing kookaburra, the didgeridoo and the ocean most.

It was lovely to celebrate our achievements with our friends. Thank you for a wonderful Assembly Emma!



NSPCC Number Day



We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on **Friday 3 February 2023**.

The NSPCC need our support more than ever. By raising money, we can help to fund their vital services such as Childline – the helpline that's always there for children and young people whatever their problem or concern.

Making maths meaningful

Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it.

We are having a fun day of maths activities and we will be taking part in *Dress up for Digits*. Pupils are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!). Or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme. To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for donations, and we'd love everyone in the school to take part in this special event.

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