



# LLS News

08/12/2023



Dear Families

Yesterday we celebrated Christmas Jumper Day and enjoyed a delicious Christmas Lunch thanks to our fantastic catering team. Everyone looked very festive in their jumpers. Thank you for your donations for Save the Children. We'll update you on the amount raised next week.

We've been very lucky this week as not only was Santa at Linden Lodge on Sunday to meet everyone at the C@LL Christmas event but he also visited again yesterday. We would like to thank his helpers from Woodlarks who helped to make this visit very special.

Have a lovely weekend.

## Events and dates to remember

### Winter Concerts

Please see full details on page 5

### Last Day of Autumn Term for Pupils

20th December at 1.30pm

Please see page 6 for Term dates for 2024/25

## Stars of the Week

**Euan**—Well done to Euan for using his communication device to tell us that he didn't want to go to the toilet (even though we all have to do things we don't want to do sometimes).



**Ben** for Remembering and being able to share his weekend news with the group at residential.

**Zuriel** for being super super engaged while playing ballgames with staff at residential.

**Pietra** for putting in some amazing effort over the past two weeks in physio! Pietra has used the Innwalk and trike. Well done, Pietra!

**Sahra** for her great work with sitting in her toilet seat this week!

**Alice** for working on her head control while sitting on the bench or laying on her tummy!

**Lily** for showing an interest in an object for extended periods of time. Lily was holding and tracking our new light toy independently

## Kindness Award

**Bethany** for sharing her toys with a friend at residential who was feeling poorly.

**DJ** for being so caring towards his friends at residential and being concerned for their welfare.

**Ellie** for her kind gift to the whole school. Thank you Ellie!

**James** for sharing his lovely singing with his friends throughout the week.



## Speech and Language Therapy Survey

The Speech and Language Therapy team would love to hear from you!. Please take the time to complete our parent feedback survey around Speech and Language Therapy. The link can be found below. We look forward to hearing your feedback and developing our service at Linden Lodge!

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=8fHzK-vjKEKbVcWdx\\_iH\\_V7pplPEm6xNIAHwApMCs41UQ1M1T0wyRVpTQVZWRVVCS1dOM0JKMFIGUC4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=8fHzK-vjKEKbVcWdx_iH_V7pplPEm6xNIAHwApMCs41UQ1M1T0wyRVpTQVZWRVVCS1dOM0JKMFIGUC4u)

Thank you so much for your ongoing support.  
(If you have already completed this, you do not need to do so again).

## Ear and Hearing Care Survey

We are a group of researchers preparing a case for commissioning hearing checks in residential special schools. We are interested in understanding the experiences of children, young people, their families, and their educators when seeking ear or hearing care. We would be very grateful if you could help us by completing a questionnaire:

Questionnaire for parents:  
<https://forms.office.com/e/2xLEhKW2rp>

The estimated time to complete each questionnaire is 7 minutes. Your responses would help us to understand your needs and to identify what works and what needs to improve in the journey of children and young people and their families seeking ear or hearing care.

**Thank you very much for your help!**

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### Panathlon X-tends

Our students have visited the Panathlon X-tends games, where they participated in different sports activities such as curling, Polybat, tennis, boccia and basketball.





# Christmas Jumper Day





## Christmas comes to Linden Lodge

On Sunday Santa and his very helpful elf visited Linden Lodge. It was a magical afternoon filled with twinkling lights, singing, delicious treats and lots of smiles! Thank you to all of Santa's extra elves who helped to make it a very special event.





## Festive Online Music Session

Thursday 21st December at 10am












Join us for another festive music session with Lucy Osborne from The Amber Trust.

This is an interactive session which is great for siblings to get involved with too. Come along with your Christmas hats and musical instruments (whatever your child enjoys) and we'll have a fun, Christmas-themed sing-along to get us all excited for the big day!

Please join the event using the link on Classlist.

## Winter Concerts

Day	Time	Theme	Classes	Location
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	10am 	Little Snowflakes	Maracas, Tambourine 	Jasmine Centre
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 	2pm	Winter Adventures	Kalimba and Piano Oboe and Clarinet Flute and Bassoon	SPACe 
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	Going on a Santa Hunt 	Guitar, Violin, Drum, Harp, Ukulele	SPACe
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 	1.30pm	Winter Wonderland	Minerva 1, 2, 3 	SPACe
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	10.30am 	Festive Extravaganza	Trombone, SF1, SF2a, SF2b	Isobel Centre
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	10.30am	Festive Extravaganza	Tabla & Gamelan	Isobel Centre 

## **Term Dates 2023-24**

### **Spring Term 2024**

First day for pupils - Monday 8th January 2024

Last day for pupils – Wednesday 27th March 2024

Half term break – Monday 12th February 2024 to Friday 16th February 2024

Inset Day 3 (no pupils) - Monday 19th February 2024

Inset Day 4 (no pupils) - Thursday 28th March 2024

### **Summer Term 2024**

First day for pupils – Monday 15th April 2024

Last day for pupils – Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Bank Holiday - Monday 6th May 2024

Half term - Monday 27th May 2024 – Friday 31st May 2024

Inset Day 5 (no pupils) – Monday 3rd June 2024

Planning and Preparation Day 3 (no pupils) - Wednesday 24th July 2023

## **Term Dates 2024-25**

### **Autumn Term 2024**

First Day for pupils—Wednesday 4th September 2024

Last day for pupils—Thursday 19th December 2024

Half Term Holiday: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024

Planning and Preparation Day 1 for staff (no pupils)- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Inset Day 1 (no pupils) Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

Inset Day 2 (no pupils) Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024

Inset Day 3 (no pupils) Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024

### **Spring Term 2025**

First day for pupils—Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Last day for pupils - Thursday 3rd April 2025

Half Term Holiday: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025 to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025

Planning and Preparation Day 2 for staff (no pupils) - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Inset Day 4 (no pupils) - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025

### **Summer Term 2025**

First Day for pupils—Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025

Last day for pupils—Friday 18th July 2025

May Day Bank Holiday on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Half Term Holiday: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025 – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Inset Day 5—Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025

Planning and Preparation Day 3 for staff (no pupils) - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025