

The Linden Centre

School Newsletter

September 2021

Week 3



A message from our Head Teacher

Children have settled well back into the school and have now fully transitioned into their classes. We have had a turbulent few weeks with high levels of colleague changes however most of the children have coped very well with this.

We are currently advertising for colleagues that would be suitable for the role.

All students have gained Lennon's Linden Loot and have demonstrated work towards our values this week.

Keep it up!

Reading

Reading is instrumental in developing learning therefore, we are encouraging all children to be readers. It is important that all children are able to enjoy books as this will increase their knowledge and comprehension in addition to opening their minds to a range of knowledge. Please spend at least 20 minutes each day reading with your child or making sure that they are reading. This does not need to just be a book – what about a recipe or website?

Please enjoy time at home reading and make sure you note the pages and books read within their diary. This way, we can reward them for reading at home.

Centre Updates

Primary SS	<p>P1</p> <p>We have been challenging ourselves with three digit and four digit numbers and using number lines for place value this week, some of the work was very tricky but we worked together to solve reasoning type questions.</p> <p>In English we looked at the traditional story of Snow White and compared it to our twisted tale 'Snow White in New York' We talked about which we preferred, illustrations and our favourite scenes.</p> <p>Ethan preferred the twisted illustrations set in New York because he felt like the pictures were 3D.</p> <p>Alfie preferred the traditional tale because he liked the ending where they rode off on a white horse and lived happily ever after.</p> <p>P2</p> <p>In outdoor education we made pirate people from natural materials with Mr Inglis.</p> <p>Our work in English this week has been based around noun phrases, imagery and descriptive language this week. We completed detailed descriptions of shipwrecks as part of our pirate topic.</p> <p>Maths has been full of challenges based around place value and identifying number sequences and patterns.</p> <p>As part of our topic work this week we have looked at flags from various countries and the meanings of the colours and images on them, we had firm favourites and Dom particularly liked the Egyptian flag which he found out had red to represent the blood of the people, white to represent peace and black to represent the period of occupation Egypt went through. Next week we will be designing our own pirate flags and using fabric paints to make them.</p>
Primary Specialist	<p>Children have continued learning about their topics and they have made lots of progress toward their maths and English – we hope that you have noticed this.</p> <p>Keep trying your times tables.</p>
Secondary SS	<p>What a week it has been – In Art, we have been learning about texture and tone with our drawings. In music students have learnt notation, the C-Scale and a basic introduction to the keyboard.</p> <p>Students have showed an interest into progressing their musical abilities and trialling more instruments.</p>
Secondary Specialist	<p>H1 have been doing some amazing art when learning about tone and techniques to achieve this. They also learnt checkers as a Maths treat – Chris and Jenson taught Thomas, who then went on to be far too good!</p> <p>H2 have avoided photos until today. They have been thinking about relationships they have with people and places in their lives.</p> <p>Hope you love the art as much as we do 😊</p> <p>It has been a mixed week with the Key Stage Four this week – some excellent work has been completed and conversations have been mature and eloquent.</p>



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Some issues with behaviours have unsettled those desperate to work hard and prepare for their GCSEs. After stern consequences and discussions a more balanced respect has started amongst the group. I am hoping, that with continued communication between myself and parents, colleagues and the pupils themselves, a more mature attitude to learning and their education will begin.

School Diary Dates

19/9 Talk like a pirate	More information to follow
20/9 Recycle Week	More information to follow
21/9 International Day of Peace	More information to follow
British Food Fortnight	More information to follow
22/9 Nation Fitness Day	More information to follow
26/9 European Day of Languages	More information to follow
26/9 World Rivers Day	More information to follow
29/9 World Heart Day	More information to follow
30/9 National Sporting Heritage Day	More information to follow
28/9-3/10 Healthy Eating Week	More information to follow
4/10 World Space Week	More information to follow
4/10 World Animal/Habitat Day	More information to follow
2/10 Biology Week	More information to follow
Sukkot	More information to follow
7/10 Poetry Day	More information to follow
8/10 Harvest Festival	More information to follow
October-Black History Month	More information to follow
09/10/21- 24/10/21 code week	More information to follow
10/10 World Mental Health Day	More information to follow
11/10 International Girls Day	More information to follow
17/10 UN International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	More information to follow

Special Occasions

This week we have celebrated Jeans4Genes day. Please discuss this event further with your child to help them understand more about why jeans4Genes is so important.



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Website

Our school website has started to be filled with information. Keep checking the pages for updated information. Find it here:

www.lindencentre.co.uk



TWITTER

We are on twitter – Follow us!

@LindenCentreTF

Each class also has a twitter account to help you keep up to date with things in the classroom. Follow us!

New Starters and Leavers 2021-22

Welcome to all of our new starters. We hope that you enjoy your time with us and I am sure that you will.

Parents, please remember that you should be receiving a daily update from school.

Attendance

As a school, we have a target of 95% attendance which is in line with schools nationally.

Please continue to support us by ensuring that your child is in school every day.

This week, our current attendance is 94% which is just below. Please support us in making sure that you child attends each day.

Parents Support and Welfare

Miss Green is available daily for pastoral support. This extended to students and their parent/carer(s). Her role is to support Pupils, Parents and Colleagues with Pastoral and Welfare. For more information of any available support, please contact Miss Green via her email Shara.Green@taw.org.uk

Uniform

Wearing a school uniform is very important to us.

School uniform is as follows:

Shoes- Formal Black Shoes (No trainers)

Trousers- School black trousers / Skirt (atleast knee length with black tights)

Shirt- White Shirt, Blouse or Polo Shirt

Sweatshirt- School black sweatshirt with a logo

Those children that are not linked to another school will be expected to wear the full correct school uniform.

PE Kits

PE will be on different days. Pupils in Primary will need to bring a PE kit (Black shorts, white t-shirt and pumps/trainers) which can be kept in school. Secondary will be informed of their PE day and will be able to wear their kit for the day. Please also consider the PE topic and the weather on the day and come to school dressed appropriately for this.



Behaviour points- Lennon's Linden Loot

In September we launched our new Behaviour Points system 'Lennon's Linden Loot'. Students earn points throughout the day based on general behaviour, learning, engagement, quality of work, homework, respecting our values and being positive. Each of these points get collected virtually and on a Monday, students are given their weekly tokens (known as 'Lennon's Linden Loot').

Students can spend Lennon's Linden Loot as if it were currency in our 'Kiosk' or they can choose to keep some to save for bigger items (such as a visit or a half termly trip). We are hoping that students will learn the value of saving however for those that would prefer instant gratification, this is also available.

Class News

Look at what we have been learning about this week:

P1







