



Lindisfarne Class - September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Lindisfarne! We hope that you all have had a lovely summer holiday, and your children are looking forward to moving into their new classroom. Please find below all the information that you will need for this term.

Curriculum



This term we will be having a geography focus, recapping about the continents and oceans of the world and then looking at countries in more detail including the human and physical features. Our science topic this term is nutrition, where we will be learning about the digestive system, food groups, food chains and food webs. In RE, we will be exploring Sikh worldviews in more depth and explore the concepts of duty and gurmukh. Our PSHE focus this term is about Friendship and community, focussing on how they behave as part of a team and how to make others feel valued and included. In PE, we are focussing on throwing and catching

skills through rugby and netball.

Homework

Homework will be given out on a Friday and will be due in the following Wednesday. It will compose

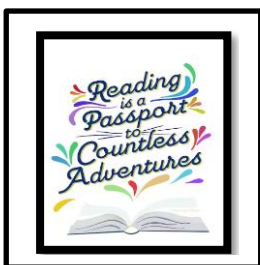
of one piece of English (usually a grammar focus) and one piece of maths. It is expected that each piece should take approximately 20-30 minutes to complete. If you don't understand the homework or are finding it difficult, please let me know as soon as possible so that I can help you. If homework is not handed in on time, it will need to be completed during a lunchtime.



In addition, there will be weekly spellings, which will be tested on Fridays. Spellings will need to be learned throughout the week so that they are retained. We recommend the 'Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check' method at least 3 (but preferably 5) times each week. You also need to know the meaning of the words you are learning so that you can then use them in your writing.

Reading

Please use the reading diaries for any reading completed at home. When completing the reading journal, please make sure you include the page numbers so that we can see whether the children are reading for the appropriate amount of time (20 minutes each day is recommended as the amount required for children to make maximum progress in their reading). Remember, this does not need to be reading with an adult every time (although it would be great if you did!) and it can be spread over the week. Children can write down the pages they have read to save time, but it must be signed by an adult. Dojos will be given each time a child reads at home and the more they read, the more progress they will make in their reading. If you



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have books at home that your child would like to read and you are unsure of if they fit into their AR levels, please message and I can check this for you. Children must read books at the top end of their book band to make the best progress and be able to understand what they are reading. Extra dojos will also be awarded for each book quiz successfully completed, so it is important that you understand what you are reading. Some of our children may not be able to progress onto AR but we will still be supplying them with a sharing book and a book that pitched at their reading level. Children are expected to read at least 3 times a week and if they do not achieve this, they will be required to complete this during a lunchtime.

PE

PE lessons will take place on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**. You will need a full PE kit, consisting of white t-shirt, black/navy shorts and trainers (these are better for outdoor PE as they offer more grip and sessions will mainly be on the field so the shoes will inevitably get wet and muddy). Please note, earrings cannot be worn for any PE. If you struggle to remove your earrings by yourself, you will need to take them out in the morning and then put them back in again when you get home. It is fine for anyone who has had their ears pierced for more than 6 weeks to remove the earrings for short periods without the hole closing up. Children with long hair must have it tied back for PE lessons so please bring hair ties or similar with you; thick plastic headbands and hairclips are not appropriate for tying hair back for PE.



Class Dojo



The class is set up on Class Dojo and I would prefer all messages to go via this format wherever possible although the reading diaries can be used for those times where this is not possible. We will be checking both regularly and will endeavour to reply to any messages promptly. If, however, you need to pick your child up early for any reason or if you send the message after lunchtime, please also phone the school office as it is not always possible for me to read messages while I am teaching. Anything sent in the evenings (after 6pm) or at the weekend will be responded to the next working day.

Using Class Dojo for messaging will be replaced by Bromcom/MCAS this year. All important messages and letters will also be shared using Bromcom/MCAS as this is the system that all LAAT Trust schools use. Class Dojo will still be used to record behaviour dojos which are given to the children for completing homework and good behaviour.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact team Lindisfarne. Thank you.

Kind regards,

Mrs Lacey, Mrs Kemp and Mrs Pick



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