



Lindisfarne Class - January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back Lindisfarne! We hope that you all have had a lovely Christmas break, and your children are looking forward to coming back to our classroom. Please find below all the information that you will need for this term.

Curriculum



This term we will be having a historical focus, learning about the Stone Age right through to the Iron age, we will be learning about how life was during these periods and using our powers of deduction about different artefacts. Our science topic this term is Rocks and Soils, where we will be learning about different types of rocks, how they are used and different types of soils. In RE, we will be exploring Humanism and what is a 'Good Life'. We will be looking at Humanism as an example of a non-religious worldview. Our PSHE focus this term is respect. We also have Children's Mental Health Week 9th-15th February and Safer Internet Day on 10th February. In PE, we are focusing on dance.

Homework

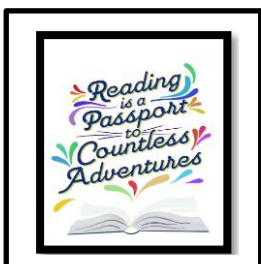
Homework will be given out on a Friday and will be due in the following Wednesday. It will comprise of one piece of English (usually a grammar focus) and one piece of maths. It is expected that each piece should take approximately 20-30 minutes to complete. If you don't understand the homework or are 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 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 have books at home that your child would like to read and you are unsure 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



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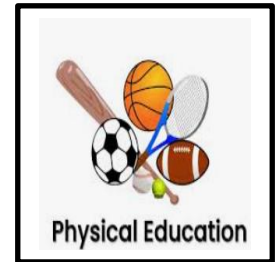
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to make the best progress and be able to understand what they are reading. Extra dojos will also be awarded for each book quiz successfully completed, so it is important that you understand what you are reading. Some of our children may not be able to progress onto AR but we will still be supplying them with a sharing book and a book that is 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 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



Class Dojo is now only being used for the purpose of the dojo point system for individuals and houses. We have now fully replaced our messaging system with Bromcom/MCAS. All important messages and letters are now being shared using Bromcom/MCAS as this is the system that all LAAT Trust schools use.

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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