

NSPCC Number Day

In order to support the excellent work of the NSPCC, the children and staff took part in a 'Dress up for Digits Day', creating and wearing some fabulous outfits, all with a Number Theme. In addition (a number themed word there), the children's usual Maths lessons were replaced by a number of fun-filled maths activities and games which all helped the children to apply their maths knowledge in a real-life practical context. A big thank you to all the children for taking part in this special day, to you the parents who helped prepare the many amazing outfits the children wore and for your generous donations to this worthy cause; and to the staff who planned and supported the children to have fun whilst learning. Collectively we have raised **£208.75** for charity! We look forward to Number Day 2027.....



Y3 & Y4 Forest Activities

Year 3 and 4 enjoyed a fantastic afternoon in the forest, led by Mrs Conlon. The children took part in a range of hands-on activities linked to their Science topic, States of Matter. They created pewter medallions and made candles using elm and wax, exploring how materials change through heating and cooling. The session ended perfectly with a hot chocolate and melted marshmallows enjoyed around the fire - even more scientific learning in action!



EYFS Africa Day

The children had a wonderful and immersive Africa Day. We compared our homes and town with homes and villages in Africa and learned about the different animals that live there. The children enjoyed observational drawing of African animals, learning African dance moves, and creating African-inspired jewellery and repeating pattern lions.

Inspired by Handa's Surprise, the children drew fruit and talked about the different fruits in the story. They also made savannah pictures and colourful African masks. At snack time, the children tried a range of fruits including mango, pomegranate, passion fruit, pineapple, banana and papaya.



Valentine Discos

A huge thank you to the PTA for organising the fantastic Valentine's Discos. The events were a great success and thoroughly enjoyed by the children. We are also very grateful to the staff and volunteers who gave their time to help on the day - your support made it all possible. It was wonderful to see the children dancing, smiling, and having such a great time together.



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World Book Day

We are looking forward with great excitement to celebrating **World Book Day on Thursday 5th March**. This year our theme is award winning author and former children's laureate, **Julia Donaldson**.

We would like to invite children to come dressed as a character from a Julia Donaldson book. There are hundreds to choose from - Julia has written over 200 books!

Please see below for a link to the Julia Donaldson website, a few of her books and some costume ideas.

Thank you for your support with what is always a wonderful day in school.

Books - Julia Donaldson



Chester's Visit

Last week, we had the most wonderful visitor - Chester the dog! Chester is a seven-year-old Cavapoo who sadly woke up one day at four years old unable to walk due to a spinal disease. He underwent an operation on his spine and, with the help of a fantastic set of wheels, he is now able to go for walks and enjoy life to the fullest. He loves exploring the beach and racing along to his heart's content! Chester is even something of a celebrity, having appeared on *This Morning* on television, as he is very popular in the disabled dog community.

Thank you for visiting us, Chester, Emma, and Gareth!



The Deepings Library

Developing a love of reading for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers.

At Linchfield, we are proud of our reading for pleasure culture, supporting and fostering a love of reading.

The Deepings Library offers wonderful opportunities to foster that love of books before children start school:

We believe in starting a love of libraries at the very beginning, so we encourage babies and toddlers to come to rhyme time on a Friday 10.15-10.45am.

For our smallest members we host "book babies" on Tuesdays morning from 10.15am, come along and have a relaxing time with your baby.

Our army of experienced storytellers hold a popular story time on Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 pm.

There are also two weekend family Storytimes and craft to join in with on the first and third Saturdays of every month at 11am.

Diary Dates

Monday 23 February
 Friday 27th February
 Monday 2nd March
 Tuesday 10 March
 Thursday 2 April
 Monday 20 April
 Mon 11 - Thurs 14 May
 Tuesday 19 May
 Friday 22 May
 Tuesday 2 June
 Tues 2 - Fri 12 June
 Wednesday 24 June
 Thurs 25 - Fri 26 June
 Friday 17 July
 Wednesday 22 July

Term 4 Begins
 Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check Parents Information - 9.00 - 9:30am
 Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check Parents Information - 3:30-4.00pm
 Valerie Bloom Poet Visit
 End of Term 4
 Term 5 Begins
 Year 6 SATs
 Year 6 Residential Parent Meeting
 End of Term 5
 Term 6 Begins
 Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
 Year 6 Pop Up Restaurant
 Year 4 Residential
 Year 6 Fun Day
 End of Term 6