

Welcome Message from Headteacher

Dear Parents,

My name is Linda Bowman and I am delighted that Langton Primary School is Collaborating with Foston, Stillington and Terrington Federation. I am looking forward to working with the whole team across the Federation, but will concentrate my time being Head of School across Langton and Terrington.

I have been a teacher for 33 years and before moving to North Yorkshire was a Headteacher at two small, rural primary schools in Suffolk. I have children and grandchildren, as well as two dogs which I enjoy walking. I love watersports and go swimming every week.

I look forward to getting to know your children and working with you all as we go forward. Please feel free to come and talk to me when you are at school.

With regards,

Linda Bowman



Letter from Executive Headteacher

Please find attached a letter from Mrs Sarah Moore regarding a reminder of recent changes to our leadership structure.



School Meals

It is becomingly increasingly difficult to provide a two course school lunch at a reasonable cost and both ourselves and North Yorkshire Catering work together to keep the costs as low as possible whilst still ensuring the meal is nutritionally balanced. Occasionally there are changes which have to be made to the lunch menu, and where possible we will email parents before the day so that you are able to decide whether to send your children in with a packed lunch instead. Sometimes however, these are very last minute changes, possibly due to the cook not receiving an order on time or specific items being out of stock on the day of delivery. In these circumstances it may not be possible to inform parents of the change prior to the day, but there will always be an alternative choice or a jacket potato choice. We ask for your understanding that on these occasions it was out of our control to inform you earlier, and that as the meal has been cooked and served we are unable to reimburse the cost of it.



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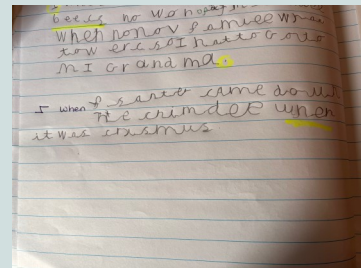
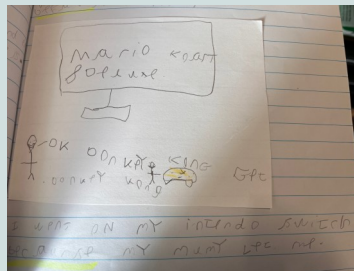
NURSERY AND RECEPTION (EYFS) (CLASS 1)

This week Early Years have loved beginning to explore this terms topic 'Habitats'. This weeks focus is woodlands and the children have loved exploring the outdoors as we searched the local area for woodlands, using a woodland hunt tick list to help us identify key elements. Nursery loved collecting natural objects to bring back to the classroom before creating their very own small world woodland.



KS1 (CLASS 2)

It has been lovely to welcome the children back into school after our Christmas holidays. They were all very excited to share their time at home with me. They used conjunctions to write some lovely sentences about their holidays- have a look at some of them.



KS2 (CLASS2)

It has been lovely welcoming all the children back after the Christmas break. This week in Key Stage Two, we have time travelled to Ancient Egypt looking at different artefacts and what life was like back then. Pupils explored vocabulary to describe what they might see, smell, hear and feel whilst they are there.



INFORMATION

Extra-Curricular clubs.

Please find below our extra-curricular clubs for next half term. To book a place, please email the school office. For our extra-curricular clubs, these are available on a block basis only. Wrap around care is also available to 5pm daily with Mr Dias-Leo or Miss Cooke.

Please can all outstanding payments for ParentPay be brought up to date especially for the afterschool clubs (Forest School and Craft Club).

Can all the wraparound policies sent out be returned to the office ASAP.

	Monday	Friday
Club	KS2 Maths Club	Science Club
Leading Adult	Miss Tordoff	Miss Cooke
Time	3.30-4.30pm	3.30-4.30pm
No. of sessions	4	5
Age	Key Stage 2 (Year 3 - 6)	EYFS – Key Stage 1 (Reception-Year 2)
Cost for the block	Free	£20
Maximum	13	12

Ks2 cross country.

KS2 Cross country 17th January 2024 afternoon.

All KS2 children have been invited to take part in a cross-country event at Malton Sports Centre, this event is part of the school day. The children will be having their lunch before they leave the school site. They will travel with staff by coach to and from the event and should be home by the end of the school day.

Children are asked to come into school in their uniform and will get changed at school into their PE kits, they will also be wearing their school jumpers . Please can children bring in an extra set of jogging bottoms in on that day.

Ks2 Residential Trip.

Please can I remind parents the Residential Trip Payment is now on ParentPay.

Clubs/Wraparound Care.

Also if your child is booked into a club for this term and you have outstanding debt on either the Forest school or Craft club they may not be able to attend that club.

Also I need parents to have filled in the wraparound policy for the breakfast, afterschool wraparound and extra-curricular clubs. If you require a form please ask at the office.



INFORMATION

Attendance - Make Every Day Count

As a school we aim for 95% attendance from all our pupils. We realise this is not always possible when your child is poorly, but we kindly ask that if possible all appointments are made out of school time, again we know this cannot always be the case. We are sure you will agree we all want our children to succeed and good attendance is proven to give children the maximum learning time possible.

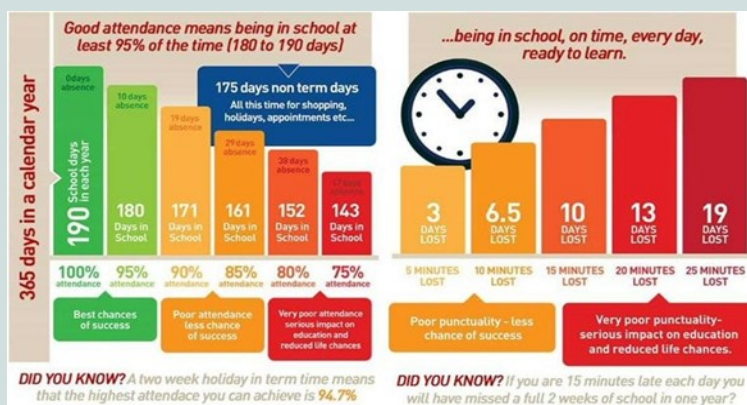
We have seen an increase in requests for holidays which is having a big impact on children's learning and wanted to point out to you what taking 5 days holiday in term time looks like in our schools.

Maths – 5 hours missed – Maths builds on prior learning each year to help children create that deeper understanding. Although our teachers address gaps in children's learning, making 5 hours up within school is impossible and addressing gaps missed, means time out of foundation subjects.

English – 7 1/2 hours missed – English centres around a text in all of our classes. When children miss days they can often miss key parts of the text or the build up to writing tasks or even the writing task itself which in some instances will not be built upon again until the following academic year.

Phonics/SPAG (Spelling/Punctuation/Grammar) – Nearly 2 hours missed – Phonics lessons at the early stages teach a sound a day and 5 days can mean 5 new sounds missed, impacting both reading and writing. SPAG Lessons can often be linked to English and children can be given the opportunity to use what they have learnt that day in their writing.

Foundation Subjects – Missing a week in a foundation subject misses a stepping stone which are topics that are only covered sometime once in every four years. Practical sessions can be missed which for a lot of children can be very beneficial to their learning.



Diary Dates

KS2 Cross Country (come to school in Uniform) (Consent on ParentPay)	Wednesday 17th January 2024
Sharing Assembly	Friday 9th February 2024
Spring-Half Term	Friday 9th February 2024 (Last day) Monday 19th February 2024 (First day back)
KS2 Residential Trip	Monday 19th February-Wednesday 21st February 2024
Parents Evening	Tuesday 12th March 2024 Thursday 14th March 2024
Easter	Friday 22nd March 2024 (Last day) Tuesday 9th April 2024 (First day back)
May Day Bank Holiday	Friday 3rd May 2024 (Last day) Monday 7th May 2024 (First day back)
Summer -Half –Term	Friday 24th May 2024 (Last day) Monday 3rd June 2024 (First day back)
Summer	Friday 19th July 2024 (last day)

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