

LING MOOR A PRIORY ACADEMY

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As we head to much needed warmer months, it has been wonderful to see the children being able to explore the outside spaces around school. We are really proud of our Academy site and the spaces the children are able to learn in. Alongside this, lots of the children continue to experience other sites through visits – a really important part of our curriculum.

Year 4 had a really special day investigating Viking York. They visited the Yorvik centre and Dig as well as spending time in the city to understand who the Vikings were and their legacy. Year 1 spent time at Woodside Wildlife Park. It was a really special day of observing animals and learning all about them. Year 3 also spent time out of school visiting the Collection and

taking part in various workshops to enhance their History knowledge.

To continue with the important visits, we do rely on parental contributions to make the visits work. We have asked the teachers next year to share the proposed visits with you in September alongside the approximate costs. We hope that this helps everyone to save and plan for them as without the contributions, we risk the visits not going ahead.

Foundation Stage stayed a little more local in their outdoor experiences visiting Asda to learn about how supermarkets work. Even more locally, they have spent time focusing on road safety, using the roads around school to practice Stop. Look. Listen. so that they are safe when crossing the road.

Within the school grounds, Year 5 have been getting themselves in knots creating some amazing shelters. Working with Mr Small, they have really impressed with their resilience and determination to overcome challenges and learn. Our outdoor learning is something that we are aiming to grow over time with more experiences and resources.

A part of improving the outdoor experience could well involve having our very own Ling Moor chickens. The Foundation Stage children have welcomed their very own, freshly born chicks to the Ling Moor Family and thanks to Miss J Abernethy we had a visit from some grown up chickens. The awe and wonder of the new chicks was amazing and for the children to be able to see the grown up chickens, helped them with their understanding of life cycles.

Learning about nature through our feathered friends was also a theme in Year 6. The Year 6 children have already grappled with DNA extraction in science and their knowledge of genetics has continued by carrying out investigations inspired by Darwin's finches. Sweets, spaghetti and different types of beaks helped them investigate natural selection and how animals are adapted to their environment.

We are full of pride for our Year 6 students. They are an incredible group of children who demonstrated such resilience and

determination during their SATs assessment week. Whatever the outcome we know that they collectively gave their very best and demonstrated true Ling Moor learning.

We already know that our current Year 5 (otherwise known as Future Year 6) are going to be great role models for our Ling Moor family. They are an incredibly mature and focused group who are pushing each other to really high standards.

Good bye Miss Stumm and hello Mrs Walsh

We are sure that you will join us passing on our best of wishes to Miss Stumm who will be getting married over the half term. We will be wishing Mrs Walsh a warm welcome to the Academy when we return back to school.

St Barnabas Heart Trail

We are delighted to be participating in the St Barnabas Heart trail this summer. Schools were challenged to make their heart out of recycled materials. Over the last 5 years, Generosity and Passion have connected us to St Barnabas - our charity partner. St Barnabas have done so much caring for members of our Ling Moor Family.

Our Heart Trail design is based on that shared partnership and collaboration. A woven heart made from recycled lost property (those jumpers that didn't find a home and were beyond repair) shows our commitment to Lincolnshire. The reverse is a celebration of our values and those values that connect St Barnabas with Ling Moor. Woven and painted by the children (sprinkled with a little Fairy Workshop magic), the heart also captures the joy of shared endeavour and community working together. We are sure that you'll all agree that the children's artwork on the design is beautiful.

In the summer term, we will be holding a non-uniform day to support St Barnabas.

Thrift Shop

When you are planning for new uniform in September, please remember that the Thrift shop has a wide range of stock of high quality uniform that is available for a small donation. If your family has grown out of uniform and it is in a good condition, please do think of donating it to the Academy.

Free School Meal eligibility

Whilst all children in Foundation Stage, Year 1 and Year 2 are all able to have a free school meal, it is really important to access the support if you are eligible. For every child eligible, the Academy receives extra funding that benefits our Ling Moor family. Information about eligibility can be found here:

Apply for free school meals –

Lincolnshire County Council

Upcoming Dates

Foundation Stage Sports Day – 26th June 2.00pm to 3.00pm

Y1, 2 & 3 Sports Day – 27th June 1.30pm to 3.00pm

Y4, 5 & 6 Sports Day – 28th June 1.30pm to 3.00pm

School Disco – Thursday 29th June

Year 6 Performance – Thursday 13th July

Ling Moor Family Picnic – Friday 14th July

Year 6 Leavers Assembly – Wednesday 19th July





