



LING MOOR
A PRIORY ACADEMY

November Newsletter

September has seen the children make an incredibly positive start to the new academic year. When we return to school after the summer break, it really is a pleasure to witness our Ling Moor Family back together again. The children have really settled in well with their new teachers and the slightly different routines. On the first few days back from the summer break, the children were welcomed with what felt like a huge hug – a good to see you, a genuine how are you and an expectation of a successful year.

All of the children have risen to this expectation and we are already seeing some impressive learning.

Our new **Foundation Stage** children have really impressed with the start that they have made. The children are independent, able to organise themselves and most importantly they are full of enthusiasm to learn. As they get to know us and we get to know them, we can already see that they are going to be successful. Their curiosity to explore their new learning space and thoughtfulness about looking after each other has shone. It already feels like they have been a part of the Ling Moor Family for a long time.

Year 6 have set the tone for the year ahead in many ways. One example of this is their visit to the Holocaust Centre. This visit is a very important one for our young people but requires maturity, thoughtfulness and wisdom. You will not be surprised that our Y6 excelled on the visit and were congratulated on the level of maturity they showed. When meeting a Holocaust survivor, they asked incredibly thoughtful and compassionate questions – questions that helped deepen their understanding and knowledge.

Throughout the school, the children are already showing us that they are keen to achieve their best but also ensure that others are able to achieve well – helping others be the best they can be.

In October, we will have our first round of **parent/teacher meetings** and the teachers are looking forward to sharing the progress your child has made so far. If you would like to see the curriculum your child will learn this year, please do take a look the curriculum sections on the website.

John Sisman

Headteacher

Congratulations!

The Ling Moor 2025 baby trilogy was completed as we returned to school. The second instalment arrived towards the summer holiday with the Miss Rideout having a beautiful baby girl. In September Mrs Walsh welcomed a very handsome baby boy into the world. We are delighted that mums and babies are all doing well and we are really delighted for all of them.

Uniform

The high standards of uniform are throughout the school with the children looking ready for learning as they return to school. If you have any questions about uniform, please do take a look at the uniform section on the website.

As shared last year, please can you be mindful of extreme haircuts/colouring. We are happy to clarify things before the hairdresser is visited. We would also ask that you are mindful of jewelry in particular earrings that should be a simple stud earring.

Swimming

Due to changes at the local leisure centre, the swimming program will look a little different this year. We are moving to an intense block of swimming rather than less frequent weekly sessions. We are currently working out the logistics of this and will keep the year affected groups updated once we have a plan in place. Needless to say, the importance of swimming lessons outside of school does not diminish and we are incredibly thankful to all of you who commit to swimming lessons.

Running

Great to hear that so many of the children are attending the Boultham Park junior park run. Keep it up! If you've not been, it is well worth a try. <https://www.parkrun.org.uk/boulthampark-juniors/>

We are now a Park Run school so as many children attending as possible is a wonderful thing!



Parking

As we always ask, we would appreciate all of you who are driving to school to park with our neighbours in mind – being sensitive where you park and not leaving engines idling. Where possible, please do walk to school or take the opportunity to park a little further away and walk a little further to the school.

We have made changes to the front of school (with the gates being closed) to ensure the children are safe as they leave school.

For those of you who are dropping off at Bubbles, please can you avoid using the staff car park where possible

Free School Meals

We would urge all our families to check whether they are eligible for Free School Meals. Due to recent changes to those eligible – particularly those in receipt of universal credit. Not only does the status ensure that children continue to receive a free school meal when they move into Year 3, it also enables the school to claim extra funding to benefit the children’s education.

[Please follow this LINK](#)

Thrift shop

The thrift shop is available each day at the front of school. It is a tiny amount of the uniform we have available so if you cannot find the sizes you need, please do let the office team know. We continue to ask for a small donation for thrift shop items with any proceeds raised used to make the children’s break times even better.

Social Media

If you would like an up-to-date window into life at Ling Moor, please do follow us on X. If you search for @LingMoorAcademy you will find lots of amazing #LingMoorLearning

In coming months, we are likely to move our online presence to Instagram and will be sharing with you when this is to be launched.

KEY DATES

Friday 5th December	Year 6 trip East Kirby Wartime Christmas
Tuesday 9th December	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 10th December	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance
Thursday 18th December	Christmas Dinner Day
Friday 19th December	Last day of term (non-uniform day)