



EVERY CHILD CAN ACHIEVE

Luddenham News

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Opal Visit

So wonderful to see so many of you make our Opal Parent's Day on Wednesday. We're grateful the weather was kind to us that day! Thank you for all the positive comments. Our journey is certainly not finished and we will continue to keep evolving, but I am so pleased you can see how far we have come. Thanks to Mr Crabb and the Opal Working Party, as well as the staff and you as parents for seeing the importance of this project and supporting us every step of the way. A huge thank you to the children, whose ideas and enthusiasm for this approach continues to amaze me.

Today we have our final audit and even though we are not where we had hoped we would be due to occasional setbacks, that can't change the fact that our lunchtime provision is so much better for everyone. We look forward to sharing with you, our mark.

Blue Balloon – World Diabetes Day

Your child should have bought home a blue balloon today. Why? Well...in assembly today we watched this video: [Type 1 Diabetes is Like a Balloon...](#) Can you imagine having to constantly think about something you cannot see, that affects your everyday life. Diabetes is just one condition that many of the love ones we know have to live with. There are many more. We hope by using the blue balloon as a symbol the children can try to have some understanding of what it could be like.

Thank you to all of you for supporting this day and wearing something blue today.

Change to the Menu

The school meal has changed in week 2 on a Wednesday. It is now changed from Cheese and broccoli pasta bake to a cheesy pasta with a side of broccoli.

Late Car Queue Collections – a reminder

We have noticed recently that we have some families collecting late from car queue. This is a polite reminder that considerably late collections or repeat offenders will be issued with a late fee. This late fee is £5 and will be charged to your Gateway account. Considerably late children, may be put in After School Club which will incur a fee of £7.50.

We understand that being late sometimes is unavoidable and will always work with you in exceptional circumstances to ensure your child is safe and looked after until you get here.

Please communicate as soon as possible so we can work with you on this. We never want to issue late fees, but please understand that Staff have things they need to do and they've already provided the additional time in car queue.

Thank you very much to those of you who collect before 4pm.

Children in Need

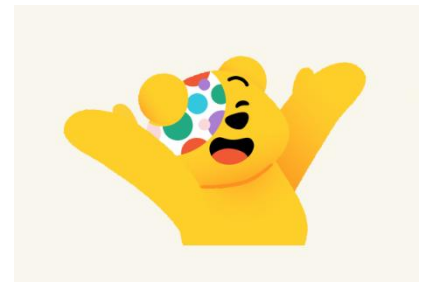
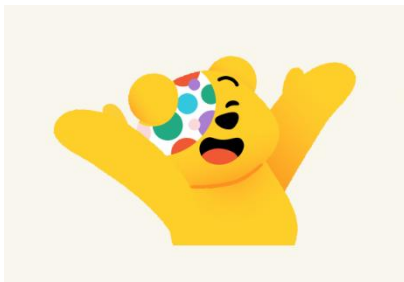
On the next few pages, you will see some of the Challenge 25's our children and families have set themselves.

The commitment and perseverance to achieve these challenges is nothing short of amazing.

We would like to say a massive thank you to all the children who participated in the Challenge Yourself to 25.

You have managed to raise **£1422.60** for children in need.

Well done to everyone who participated.



Well done for raising over a £100 for Children's in Need for the Challenge Yourself to 25. You managed 25 laps of your local park! WOW! That's amazing determination.



Congratulations for raising over a £100 for Children's in Need for the Challenge Yourself to 25. You set yourself the goal of 25 backwards walkovers! How fabulous!

Walking
towards your
25km.

Well done,
keep going!



Working towards your goal, 3.1 km.

Well done, what a fantastic
achievement.



Well done for completing
25 minutes per day
reading for challenge
yourself 25. One day you
managed to read for 1.5
Hours!

That's fantastic!

Well done on completing
the challenge 25, in
multiple sessions. What a
great bridge pose.





Congratulations on walking 20km in total and completing the last 5 this weekend. It's great to see the whole family is involved.

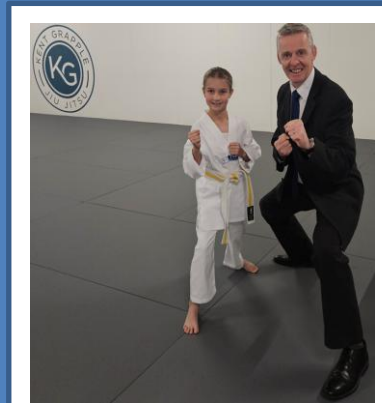
Superstar Corner...

Let us celebrate together your achievements outside of school this past week.



Congratulations on passing your taekwondo grading last week. You are now a yellow belt.

Well done!



Congratulations on your award as for Managers player last weekend for scoring an amazing two goals.

Well done!

🌟 Upcoming LSFA Events and what they are raising money for! 🌟

We've got a fantastic year of fundraising ahead, with lots of fun events planned for both the children and the grown-ups! 🥰

🎄 Christmas Raffle & Non-Uniform Day

Our next event will be the **Christmas Raffle!** There'll be a **Non-Uniform Day on Friday 5th December** to collect raffle donations.

🎬 Movie Nights – 15th & 16th January

We'll be kicking off the new year with two Movie Nights to raise money towards **class school trips**. Always a favourite with the children! 🎪

📺 Disco Party Bingo – 23rd January, 7:30pm

A night of music, prizes, and nostalgia! Funds raised will go towards **ongoing OPAL Play supplies**, helping us keep playtimes fresh, fun, and well-stocked with loose-parts resources.

✏️ Break the Rules Day – 16th March

Always a hit! This event will raise money for **class trips**, helping ensure every year group enjoys exciting and memorable experiences beyond the classroom. 🚗

🥚 Easter Egg Hunt & Raffle – 31st March

Funds raised from our Easter events will go towards **Rangers Day enrichment activities**.

🌈 The Colour Run – 22nd May

One of the most joyful events of the year! Money raised will go towards paying for the **school minibus hire**.

🏊 The Pool Party – 18th July, 6:30pm

We'll round off the school year with a splash! Funds raised will also go towards the school mini bus hire.

A huge thank you to everyone who supports our events - whether you volunteer, donate, or take part, every bit makes a difference to the children's experience at Luddenham. 🧡

🎉 DISCO PARTY BINGO NIGHT – Let's Make It a Sell-Out! 🎉

The amazing Disco Party Bingo team are kindly hosting this fantastic event to raise funds for our school!

It's a night full of nostalgia and great tunes 🎵

Mark off songs instead of numbers, sing along, reminisce, and enjoy those "I haven't heard this in years!" moments. 🎲 🎰

You don't have to dance (unless you want to!) it's simply a brilliant, feel-good evening with friends, music, and plenty of prizes to be won! 🎁

♥ Where your money goes:

All proceeds will go towards continuing to support our OPAL Play Scheme, helping us keep the playground full of fresh and exciting things for the children, replacing items when needed, and funding new outdoor projects. 🌱

If you'd like to see what Disco Party Bingo is all about, check out their Facebook page here: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1Zcjue4bmy/> — you might even fancy trying one of their Christmas events before ours! 🎄 🎵

Let's make this a night to remember — grab your tickets, invite your friends and family, and help make this event a huge success for our school! 🎉



5TH DECEMBER
NON UNIFORM DAY

IN EXCHANGE FOR CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
DONATIONS OR £1 VIA GATEWAY

DONATIONS OF ITEMS IN CANDY
CANE RED & WHITE, GLISTENING
GOLDS, WINTER WONDERLAND
(SILVER, BLUE & WHITE)
& FOREST GREENS

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL DONATIONS ARE
UNOPENED AND IN GOOD DATE.

PLANNING ON MAKING CHRISTMAS COLOUR
HAMPERS AND MORE!

UPCOMING LSFA EVENTS



Tuesday 25th November

Thursday 27th November

Friday 5th December

Monday 8th December

Wednesday 10th December

Friday 12th December

Monday 15th December

Tuesday 16th December

Wednesday 17th December

Friday 19th December

NCMP (Height & Weight YR & Y6)

No Pens Day

LSFA Non-uniform Day

Y1 Share the Learning 2:45pm

iRock Concert 9:15 am

Y3 Share the Learning 2:45pm

Rangers Day

Y5 School Trip – Houses of Parliament

Y4 Share the Learning 2:45pm

EYFS Nativity Performance 9:30am

Y5 Share the Learning 2:45pm

Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day

Talent Show

END OF TERM



Thank you to everyone for their support with events this week. When the weekend arrives, I wish you all a wonderful one.