

Being our Best Selves



Ludworth Primary School

Ludworth Life

2nd
October
2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy and successful week has flown by at Ludworth, with our classrooms full of wonderful learning, creativity and enthusiasm. It has been lovely to see children continuing to settle into their routines and embracing opportunities across the school.

Kind Hands, Kind Feet and Kind Words

This week, we have had a small number of incidents where children have not demonstrated the kindness and respect that we expect at Ludworth, and where some pupils have been hurt physically or by unkind words.

We would be grateful if all parents and carers could reinforce with their children the importance of using **kind hands, kind feet and kind words** both in and out of school. While disagreements and misunderstandings are a normal part of growing up, it is important that children know how to manage these situations appropriately.

Please remind your child that:

- Everyone deserves to be treated with kindness and respect.
- If they have a disagreement, fall out with a friend, or are feeling upset, they should seek support from a trusted adult rather than trying to resolve the situation themselves.
- Staff are always available to listen, support and help children work through problems.
- We should treat others in the way we would wish to be treated ourselves.

By working together, we can continue to ensure Ludworth remains a safe, caring and happy place where all children feel valued and respected.

Reception Success Share

We were delighted to welcome parents and carers into our Reception classrooms this week to celebrate the fantastic start our youngest pupils have made to school life.

It was wonderful to see children proudly sharing their learning, showing off their work and demonstrating just how much they have already achieved in such a short space of time. Staff have been incredibly impressed with how well the children have settled into routines, formed new friendships and embraced life at Ludworth.

Thank you to all the families who joined us. Your support plays such an important role in helping children develop confidence and a love of learning.

Governor Update

We would like to share an important update regarding our Governing Board.

After several years of dedicated service as Chair of Governors, Georgina Breeze has stepped down from the role. On behalf of the entire school community, I would like to express our sincere thanks to Georgina for her commitment and support. The role of Chair of Governors carries significant responsibility and challenge, and Georgina has consistently worked alongside school leaders to support the very best outcomes for our pupils.

We are pleased to announce that Eloise Sochanik, previously Vice Chair of Governors, has taken on the position of Chair of Governors for this academic year. Eloise already has a deep understanding of our school and community and will provide excellent continuity in the role.

We are fortunate to have a committed Governing Board who volunteer their time to support, challenge and work alongside school leaders, ensuring that decisions are always made in the best interests of our children. We are also pleased that Georgina will remain a member of the Governing Board to support a smooth transition and continue contributing her experience and knowledge.

I am sure you will join me in thanking Georgina for all she has done and wishing Eloise every success in her new role.

Attendance Matters

Every day in school counts. Excellent attendance supports children's learning, friendships, confidence and overall wellbeing.

Thank you to the vast majority of families who ensure their children attend school regularly and arrive on time each day. Even a small amount of lost learning can quickly add up and make it harder for children to keep up with new concepts and experiences.

If your child is experiencing difficulties that are affecting attendance, please contact the school so we can work together to provide support.

Supporting Our Community

As the weather begins to change and mornings become cooler, please ensure children come to school with appropriate coats and clearly labelled clothing. We also ask parents to regularly check that jumpers, cardigans, coats and water bottles are named, helping us return misplaced items quickly to their owners.

A reminder that our school community is built on respect, kindness and partnership. Thank you for the continued support you show our staff, pupils and fellow families each day.

Looking Ahead

Over the coming weeks, we have a number of exciting learning opportunities, educational visits and events planned across the school. Please keep an eye on communications and class updates to ensure you don't miss any important information.

Thank You

As always, thank you for your continued support. It is a privilege to work in partnership with such a caring and supportive school community.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Walker

Headteacher

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KEY DATES

Year 4 Squirrel Class Assembly
16th October - 9.00am

Year 5 trip to Jodrell Bank
21st October

Success Share
20th October - 9.00am-9.30am

Year 1 Harvest Festival Assembly
20th October - 9.00am

PTA Halloween Discos
20th October - 4.00pm-7.00pm

Year 3 Stone Age Experience
21st October

Success Share
21st October - 9.00am-9.30am

2027 New Parent Tour
22nd October - 9.30pm-10.30pm

SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR HALF TERM
23rd OCTOBER

SCHOOL OPENS FOR AUTUMN 2
2nd NOVEMBER

Individual School Photos
3rd November

Reception Reading Information for Parents
3rd November - 2.30pm-3.15pm &
5.00pm-5.45pm

New Parent Tour
9th November - 9.30am-10.30am

2026

OCTOBER

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NOVEMBER

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ATTENDANCE



Well done
HARE CLASS
for 100% attendance
this week!

**Whole School
Attendance -
97.2%**

Spotlight on Reading in Key Stage 2

Supporting Your Child's Reading in KS2

At Ludworth, we believe that reading is the key to unlocking learning, imagination and confidence. We want every child to develop the skills they need to become a fluent, confident reader, while also discovering the joy of getting lost in a great book.

This year, we have been looking carefully at our reading offer in KS2 and have made some changes to strengthen the support we provide at home and in school.

Two reading books to practise at home

You may have noticed that your child is now bringing home two reading books from our Reading Recovery (RR) collection.

These books have been carefully selected to match your child's reading age and current reading level. This means that the books are at an appropriate level for your child to practise their reading skills without becoming frustrated by text that is too difficult.

The books will be changed every Monday, giving your child a new pair of books to enjoy and practise each week.

Why two books?

Reading is like any other skill – practice makes progress.

Having the books for a full week gives your child the opportunity to:

- Develop their decoding skills by practising unfamiliar words.
- Build fluency by reading the same text more than once and becoming more confident and expressive.
- Develop comprehension by thinking carefully about what they have read.
- Build confidence as they become increasingly independent readers.

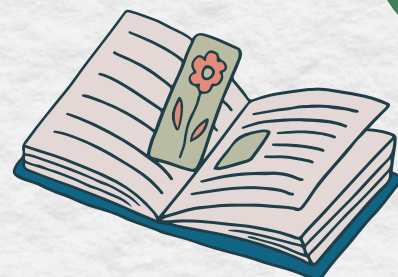
We have also provided reading bookmarks with age-appropriate comprehension questions. These give you some simple prompts to use when talking about the book with your child.

You don't need to ask every question – a relaxed conversation about what your child has read can be just as valuable!

Choosing a book from our library

Alongside their two RR books, your child will also bring home a library book of their choice.

This book is different. It doesn't have to match their reading level and it doesn't have to be read independently.



Your child might choose a book because:

- They love the story.
- They're fascinated by the subject.
- They think it looks funny.
- They love the illustrations.
- They want to share it with you.

They can read it themselves, read it with you, or simply enjoy having you read it to them.

We want children to have the opportunity to choose books for pleasure, because developing a lifelong love of reading is just as important as developing the technical skills of reading.

Our reading approach

Our approach is designed to give children the best of both worlds:

RR books → carefully matched reading practice to develop decoding, fluency and comprehension.

Library books → freedom to choose and explore books that develop curiosity, imagination and a love of reading.

We hope that this combination will help every child to become not only a better reader, but a child who genuinely enjoys reading.

How can you help at home?

The most important thing you can do is make reading a positive experience.

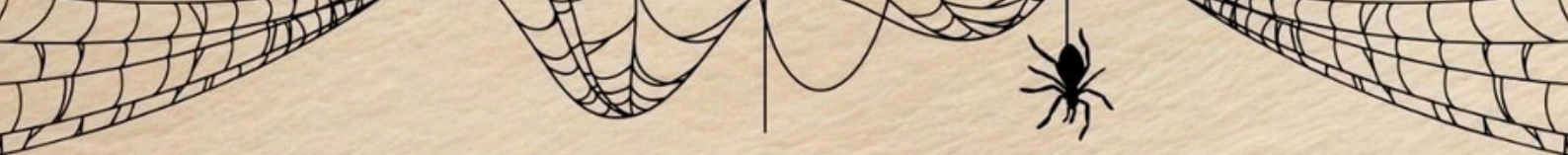
Try to find a few minutes each day to listen to your child read their RR book. Encourage them to reread sections they have already read - this is an important part of developing fluency.

Then, talk to them about what they have read. Ask questions, share your thoughts and let them tell you what they think.

And don't forget the library book! Reading to your child, sharing a story together or talking about a book they have chosen all count.

Together, we can help our children become confident, capable and enthusiastic readers.





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TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER

FANCY DRESS WELCOME
MUSIC-DANCING-GAMES

TICKETS £6 INCLUDES
A DRINK & SWEETS



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