

Wisdom

Courage

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# Newsletter 2 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and members of our school community,

We have had a great couple of weeks in school, with our postponed Sports Day definitely being a highlight. Thank you to all the families who were able to join us. The children all enjoyed a variety of activities and lots of fun was had by all. Please see our school Facebook page for some great photos of the event.

#### **School Attendance**

Good school attendance is vital to support children in making progress both academically and socially. Please ensure holidays are taken outside of term time. You can find term dates here - School term times - Lincolnshire County Council

We have been asked to share the following link with you to support you in assessing whether you should send your child into school when they are unwell.

Is my child too ill for school? Is my child too ill for school? - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

If your children arrive at school late, you may be asked to complete a new form to explain the lateness. This is so we can track late arrivals, where children are missing the vital start of lessons each day.

#### **Parking**

We have received complaints from local residents about some inconsiderate parking at the beginning and end of the school day. Please can all parents/carers ensure they are parking safely and with consideration to the local community. We know how tricky this can be but ask that parents/carers walk if possible.

The school car park is strictly reserved for staff, visitors and parents/carers who need to use the disabled space.

Thank you for you support in this matter.

## Midday Supervisor and Cleaner required

We are still looking for a new member of our midday supervisor and cleaning teams. The hours would be daily, 11.45am – 1.15pm for the midday role and 3.30-5.30pm for the cleaning role. Please pop into the office if you are interested in applying for either or both roles and Mrs Moore will be able to provide further details and discuss the application process with you.

#### **Celebration Worship**

We are really excited to relaunch Celebration Worships this week. The children have been instrumental in guiding changes to the format. Parents will be informed by Thursday if their child's achievements are being celebrated on the Friday. Parents can join us from 2.45pm ready for a 2.50pm start. We will alternate each week between Key Stage Two and Key Stage One/Early Years.

#### **Online Safety Workshops**

We are pleased to have secured face to face Online Safety Workshops for children in Year 2 to Year 6. These will take place on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October from 9am to 3.15pm in conjunction with Lincolnshire County Council's 'Stay Safe' Partnership. All workshops will be age appropriate and cover areas such as identifying how the choices children make online may impact them in the real world, identifying the positive uses of online technology and, for our oldest pupils, the use of social media.

#### **Harvest Festival**

Our Harvest Festival Celebration will take place at St Martin's Church on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October. Parents are welcome to join us at 9.15am for Key Stage Two and 10am for Key Stage One and Early Year. We will be collecting donations for Grantham Foodbank. We hope you can join us in this special event.

Best wishes,

Mrs Lucy Jackson (Headteacher)

#### **Harvest Festival Collection**

# During the last week of this half term, we will be collecting for the Grantham Foodbank.

Any items can be brought into school from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

The foodbank are currently requesting the

following items -

Pasta

Tinned Fruit

**Breakfast Cereals** 

Tea Bags

**Tinned Soup** 

**Baked Beans** 

Shower Gel

Soap

If you have a little something to share, this would be gratefully received.

#### Safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone.

If you believe that a child may be a victim of neglect, abuse or cruelty call Children's safeguarding - 01522 782111 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm). This is Lincolnshire Children's Services who will take the information and log any details you wish to share.

## **Changeable weather**

Yet again we seem to be having unusual weather for the time of year. Please ensure children are well equipped for the day ahead – which may include sun hats or raincoats!



#### **Key Dates for the Autumn Term**

## Week beginning 25th September

29<sup>th</sup> September – Celebration Worship for KS2 29<sup>th</sup> September – PTFA Welcome Disco

# Week beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> October

5<sup>th</sup> October – Online safety workshops Y2-6 6<sup>th</sup> October – National Poetry Day and Celebration Worship for KS1 and EY

# Week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> October

16<sup>th</sup> October – Start of Black History Week 19<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Festival at St Martin's Church

9.15am KS2 (Y3-6)

10am KS1 and EY (YR-2)

20<sup>th</sup> October – Last day of Term 1 (non-uniform day for donations for PTFA raffle – more details to follow)

**Half term** – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Monday 30<sup>th</sup> inclusive.

Children return to school on Tuesday 31st October.

# Week beginning 30<sup>th</sup> October

30<sup>th</sup> October – School closed

31st October - First day of term 2

1<sup>st</sup> November – Flu vaccines in school

3<sup>rd</sup> November – New starters open morning

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# 'Give thanks in all circumstances'

1 Thessalonians 5:18