

# Ancaster Church of England Primary School

### Newsletter 3-9 Cotober 2015



Dear Parents and Carers, welcome to Newsletter 3- I hope this communication finds you well. What a wonderful two weeks it has been since the previous newsletter was published, we have had performance poetry, Y5/6 marching workshops, brilliant biker breakfasts, pizza making fun, individual photographs, parent parties in Class France and harvest visits to church! The atmosphere in school is absolutely amazing, everyone is incredibly focused and the learning outcomes of pupils across the school are absolutely stunning. I am so proud of every child in the school-keep up the hard work everyone! Whilst half term is fast approaching, there are still a couple of weeks until we break up for the October break (22<sup>nd</sup> October) and there is still lots to achieve in this time. I am very much enjoying being on the gate each morning and catching up with you all; please catch me at this time if you would like to discuss anything with me. Alternatively, you can make an appointment to see me via Mrs Beard in the school office. Have an enjoyable 2 weeks and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Best Wishes, Sam Eden (Headteacher)

#### Be the Best You Can Be!



Our certificates for achievement were awarded to the following children in our special Friday assembly-well done all;

Class France-Lexie Green and Ava Godson Class India-Skye Creasey, Emilis Sulma, Skye Chapman and Liam Walsh

Class Madagascar-Michael Lawson, Amy Sadler, Lilly Evans and George Bailey

Class Australia-Lily-Belle Turner, Amy Sadler, Harry Askham and Charlie Askham

Class USA-Keira Nettleton, Eliza Batchelor, Ava Roberts and Keira Clark Monk

**Class Iceland-**Lois Taylor, Sam Taylor, Oliver Undy and Chloe Gresham.

### **Wow Writers and Mega Maths**

Riproaring Readers from each class who share their learning in assembly are celebrated. Over the past week, these children were;

Riproaring Readers-Alice Pellett, Harvey Greenhalf, Emily Maughan, Ryan Chapman, Finley Harrison, Harry Green.

Well done to everyone for being the best you can be!

### **Our School Values**

Friendship Achievement Respect Creativity Honesty

### Pizza Making Fun!

On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October, Farmer Ronnie Ownsworth and Cola Jennings came into school for a wonderful day of learning linked to the promotion of 'Love British Food Week' and 'Lincolnshire Day'. The children in Key Stage 2 had an amazing time making pizzas from fresh produce to represent the Lincolnshire Flag. A huge thank you must go to both ladies for the fantastic fun, plentiful learning and the very generous resources!

#### Year 1 and 2 Flu Vaccine

For the first time ever, each child in Year 1 and 2 across Lincolnshire is being offered the nasal spray flu vaccine. Parents of Y1/2 children have been sent all of the information they need to register for the vaccine to take place in school. Please ensure that these completed forms are back in school as soon as possible and note that these vaccinations will take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015 administered by the School Nursing Team.

## Governors Focus-Zoe France (Clerk to Governors)



My name is Zoe France and I have been Clerk to Governors for three years. My role involves recording what happens at Governor meetings, supporting Governors and ensuring that the Governing Body meets all the regulations. It can be quite challenging to keep up with all the changes in the rules and regulations, but I enjoy making the Governing Body as efficient and effective as it can be.

I have lived in Sleaford for 11 years with my husband Craig, my 16 year old daughter Becky and our cat, Misty. My favourite subject at school was Maths and it still is my favourite subject, having recently completed an Open University degree in Maths and Statistics. To counter all those equations, I am learning ballroom and latin dancing – next stop Strictly!

I enjoy being a Clerk at Ancaster and I am proud to be part of such a fantastic school."



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### PTFA Meeting-Thursday15th October

Our PTFA will be meeting on the date above at 3.45pm. We would love to see new faces joining us and welcome anyone wanting to join forces to help fundraise for the pupils of our school.

### JPCSO Graduation



Congratulations to our JPCSO children who recently graduated from the course, which involved a year's worth of work with our fantastic PCSO Barbara Mooney. She has been teaching the children about the modern British value of the rule of law with a focus on the three children who were elected to hold the post of JPCSO. Well done to Jack Wright, Will Davies and Harvey Greenhalf on a fantastic year!

### Open Morning

Thursday 5th November

9.30am - 11.30am

Whether your child is already at school with us or hoping to join us in September, why not come along to our Open Morning. You can:

- Take an informative tour of the school
- Join in with learning in each class
- Talk to the staff and pupils
- Share in our celebration assembly
- Have coffee and cake at breaktime with staff and other key members of the school community
- Learn of our mission, aims and successes and of course ask all the questions you want any answers too.

We very much look forward to seeing you at this special event. Please spread the word to any members of the community who may also be looking for a place for next September, it is always great to see the school full of people from the existing, and new, school community.

#### **Brand New Scooter Pods in School**

A huge thank you to Dr Bike for installing our brand new scooter pods in school which have been used by many since they were opened. They have helped alleviate congestion in the bike shelters and are a funky and bright addition to the area. The pods were officially opened at the Biker Breakfast with 79 bikes/scooters on site...a brand new record! Well done everyone.

### **Parent Sharing Opportunities**

This year we will be holding family sharing in Terms 1, 3 and 5. This term, these opportunities will take place week commencing 19th October and are the children's opportunity to share with you the learning that has taken place over the course of the term. The dates of the sharing are as follows;

Class France-Monday 19<sup>th</sup> at 9am Class USA-Monday 19<sup>th</sup> at 3pm Class India-Tuesday 20th at 9am Class Australia-Tuesday 20th at 3pm Class Madagascar-Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9am Class Iceland-Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3pm

Please try to support your child by attending. Children are so incredibly motivated by their parents coming into school and helps inspire children to strive to be the best they can be.

### **National Poetry Day Fun**

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October was National Poetry Day and the school celebrated by reading, writing and performing poems as part of a very special worship.

### **Harvest Festival-Thank You**



Thank you to everyone who came and supported the Harvest Festival in church. What a wonderful celebration full of learning, song and harvest gifts. We will ensure that each kind donation is sent to Grantham Foodbank to be given to those who are less fortunate than others.

### Year 6 Residential to Castleton



Our fabulous Year 6 pupils will be travelling to Castleton next week for their residential trip; we wish them well in their adventures. There will be much learning taking place over the course of their 3 day stay, as well as lots of laughter and fun. We will keep our fingers crossed that there will also be lots of sleep (for the children and the adults).