



Wisdom Courage Respect



Newsletter 18

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Dear Parents, Carers and members of our school community,

It's hard to believe that we are entering the final few weeks of the school year. It looks like we can expect an increase in temperatures over the next couple of weeks so please ensure all children have hats and water bottles in school each day. We recommend using long lasting suncream before school. Children are encouraged to reapply during the school day but please ensure bottles are clearly labelled with children's names.

Safety around school

As you will all be aware, the school gates and playground can get very busy in the morning during drop off and pick up times. Please can we ask all parents/carers to be mindful of the younger and more vulnerable children in school. We also ask that children push their scooters or bikes (at walking pace) once they are inside the gates rather than riding on them. Many thanks for your support with this.

Music lessons

We have a number of children in school who access music lessons from Lincolnshire Music Service. If your child will be in Year 3 or above in September and you are interested in booking lessons, please follow this link to the Music Service's new website. [Enable Children To Learn An Instrument | LMS !\[\]\(cf531ed27e91483460120fcc057b3901_img.jpg\) \(lincsmusicservice.org\)](https://www.lincsmusicservice.org)

Temporary Classrooms Update

Please see below a statement from Lincolnshire County Council about the delays to the arrival of temporary classrooms on the school site. We are expecting preparations to begin for this within the next few days. An area of the car park will be blocked off and also areas of the playground and field. All work will be overseen by the school but is being conducted by the property team at LCC. If you have any questions about this, please do get in touch.

Statement from Lincolnshire Local Authority -

As you will know, at the start of May, Lincolnshire County Council had to close two classrooms at your primary school out of an abundance of caution.

Incoming water has been causing ongoing issues for some time, such as damp. Although this was initially believed to be the result of a roof leak (and this was where we targeted our repairs), further investigation suggested there was a more widespread issue, which has potentially caused damage to the walls and ceilings. The extent of the damage is currently being investigated by specialist contractors. This work will help inform what action is needed to remedy the situation.

We had hoped to use temporary classrooms as a replacement until a long-term solution could be found.

Unfortunately, new legislation means this has taken longer to arrange than previously expected. However, we expect contractors to be on site in early July and for teaching to resume in a more appropriate, classroom-based environment from September.

We apologise for this unavoidable delay and can reassure you that a permanent solution will be found.

WellFest – Change of date

Due to many children from Year 6 having a secondary school open morning on 28th June, we have changed the date of our WellFest to Friday 12th July. During the day, children will be looking at all sorts of ways to support their own wellbeing including physical exercise, healthy eating, connecting with friends and ways to seek support.

Sports Day

We are all looking forward to Sports Day on Friday 5th July at 1.30pm. We hope this year that the weather will be kind to us. Further details will follow once we know the impact of the work due to take place to prepare for the temporary classrooms.

Attendance

We love being part of your child's life and it is a privilege to watch them learn and grow. Our curriculum is carefully planned to build on prior knowledge and consistent attendance ensures every child has the best chance to achieve outstanding progress. Please support us by booking holidays during school breaks. The term dates for the next academic year can be found using the following link - [School term times – Lincolnshire County Council](#).

We are aware that LCC are updating their policies and we are expecting much stricter rules/ enforcement from September. Once we know more details about this, we will share them. However, we are expecting increased fines. As a school, we can only authorise absence under exceptional circumstances and this is closely monitored by the attendance team at LCC.

Pharmacy First

We have been asked to share a 'Pharmacy First' poster with all families about what clinical appointments are available at pharmacies rather than needing a GP appointment. Please find the poster at the end of the newsletter.

Best wishes,

Mrs Lucy Jackson, Headteacher

Naming items

Please ensure all items coming into school are clearly named. This helps us return items to the correct owner quickly if they get misplaced. As we move into the colder months, this will include hats, scarves and gloves 😊.

Many thanks for your help in this.



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. The out of hours number is 01522782333 or email lscb@lincolnshire.gov.uk.

Parking

We ask all members of our school community to park with care and respect for our children and other road users.



Rule 243 of the Highway Code

This rule in the Highway Code makes it very clear that we **must not** park near a school entrance, anywhere that would prevent access for the Emergency Services or on a bend. Please take care and make sure you follow the Highway Code.

Park and Stride

The car parks at the playing field and social club are available for use for any parents to 'park and stride' each day. This may help with congestion and therefore help keep our children as safe as possible.

Online Gaming

The UK Safer Internet Centre has published a blog post about online chats in games, highlighting some of the risks to children and young people. The blog provides practical suggestions for keeping children safe when using online chats.

[My child is gaming with strangers – what should I do? - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Key Dates for Summer Term 2

Week beginning 24th June

Tuesday 25th June – 9am Deadline to return 'Bags 2 School'

Wednesday 26th – Ancaster's Got Talent

Friday 28th June – PTFA Disco

Week beginning 1st July

Tuesday 2nd – Year 4 Create Day

Friday 5th – Sports Day and PTFA refreshments

Week beginning 8th July

Tuesday 9th July – Y6 Performance at 6pm

Thursday 11th July – Moving up morning and Early Years visits, Y6 Performance at 6pm

Friday 12th July – WellFest, Reserve Sports Day, Y6 Party

Week beginning 15th July

Wednesday 17th July – Reports home

Thursday 18th July – 9.30am Y6 Final Worship at Church

Friday 19th July - Last day of term

Children return to school on Wednesday 4th September 2024.

Term dates can be found here –

[School term times – Lincolnshire County Council](#)

Useful Contacts

Childline: 0800 1111

Lincolnshire Prevent Team: 0207 340 7264

Young Carers Helpline: 01522 553275

NSPCC Whistle Blowing Helpline: 08088 005000

Domestic Violence: 0808 2000 247

Samaritans: 01522 528282

Lincolnshire Social Services: 01522 872111

Anxiety UK: 08444 775774

Healthy Minds Lincolnshire is a children and young people's emotional wellbeing service. For further information, please visit their website

www.lpft.nhs.uk/young-people

If you are wishing to contact Healthy Minds regarding suitability for a referral into the service of a child or young person in your care, please contact the Here4You line on: 0800 234 6342

If you wish to contact school for additional support, our Mental Health Lead is Mr Kidd and our SENDCO is Mrs Tomlinson. Both can be contacted via enquiries@ancaster.lincs.sch.uk.

To all local parents and schools in Lincolnshire

Most pharmacies can help you with several common conditions without needing a GP appointment.

NHS
Providing NHS services



Speak to your pharmacist if you suspect you have

Earache

(Children aged 1 to 17 years)

Visit your
Pharmacy First!

Did you know that pharmacies can now offer clinical appointments with medication available if required for four clinical conditions particularly relevant to school age children?

- Ear ache (children aged 1-17)
- Sore throat (over 5s)
- Infected insect bites (over 1s)
- Impetigo (over 1s)

GP practices are busy and it can be difficult to get a same-day GP appointment. When your child is off sick from school with any of the above conditions, by going straight to your local pharmacy you can have a consultation with a trained clinical professional and receive advice and even medication if it is needed, meaning they could be on the road to recovery and back at school as soon as possible.

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Speak to your Pharmacist if you suspect you or your child have

Infected Insect Bite or Impetigo

(Children and adults age 1 and over)

Visit your
Pharmacy First!

NHS
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Speak to your Pharmacist if you or your child have a

Sore Throat

(Children and adults age 5 and up)

Visit your
Pharmacy First!

All Lincolnshire community based pharmacies offer the Pharmacy First service. Remember – if your child has an ear ache, sore throat, impetigo symptoms or suspected infected insect bite think

Pharmacy First!

For more info on community pharmacy services visit
www.lincolnshirepharmacies.co.uk

