



Wisdom Courage Respect



Newsletter 19
5th July 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and members of our school community,

It has certainly been a busy fortnight with lots going on in school. I think the highlight for me was attending the Royal Opera House 'Create Day' with Year 4 and some Year 5 pupils on Tuesday at St Wulfram's Church in Grantham. The children were amazing and the Royal Opera House and Inspire Plus both commented to me about their wonderful behaviour. Well done to all involved!

Many children have enjoyed accessing clubs after school this year. A huge thank you to the staff who have given up their time to run these. Please remember next week is the last week of clubs as we do not run clubs in the last week of term.

Staffing for next year

We are pleased to inform you that, following a successful round of interviews, we have appointed Mrs Amelia Stockwell-Dalton as a new teacher to join the team. Mrs Stockwell-Dalton has recently moved to Lincolnshire from London and is very excited to be joining us on 11th July for our moving up morning. Please see the details of all class teachers for next academic year below.

Class England (Reception) – Mrs Dickinson

Class France (Year 1) – Miss Footitt

Class Morocco (Year 2) – Mr Kidd

Class China (Year 3) – Mrs Stockwell-Dalton

Class Chile (Year 4) – Mr Bignell

Class India (Year 5) – Miss Bennett

Class USA (Year 6) – Mrs Green

Due to our current limited space, moving up morning for children currently in Key Stage One will take place on Thursday 11th July and for children currently in Key Stage Two this will be on Monday 15th July.

Building work

Further work will begin on Monday morning and some site equipment will be placed in the school car park. Please be aware of this and can we ask all families to show extra caution when accessing the school site. Other areas of school will be sectioned off. We will be working closely with the building team to minimise the impact as much as possible.

Music lessons – Year 3 and above

In the last newsletter, I shared the link to request music lessons for children next academic year through the Lincolnshire Music Service. We have now purchased an electric piano for school and are keen to increase the number of children accessing piano lessons. Please apply using the link below.

[Enable Children To Learn An Instrument | LMS !\[\]\(bff896c19919791b89ab521f039b410a_img.jpg\) \(lincsmusicservice.org\)](https://www.lincsmusicservice.org)

Sports Day

We are so pleased to be going ahead with Sports Day this afternoon but please do remember to dress for the forecast. It now looks like we may even see some sunshine!



Summer reading challenge

If you are looking for an interesting and engaging way to keep your child reading over the summer, the summer reading challenge is taking place at both Grantham and Sleaford libraries. You can sign up online using the link below. Once you've signed up, you set a reading goal and each time your child reads/shares a book you can add it to their profile and leave a review. Children earn digital rewards and a certificate. We would love to see these back in school in September.

[Summer Reading Challenge](#)

Helping Hands Grantham

A community group called Helping Hands has been set up in Grantham and we have been asked to share the details. Families can seek support with clothing, uniform etc free of charge and additional support can be signed posted as required. This service is for all families, not only those currently claiming benefits. Please see the attached poster.

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 8th July

Tuesday 9th July – Y6 Performance at 6pm
Thursday 11th July – Moving up morning for Key Stage One and Early Years visits, Y6 Performance at 6pm
Friday 12th July – WellFest, Reserve Sports Day, Y6 Party

Week beginning 15th July

Monday 15th July – Moving up morning for Key Stage Two
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.



'Together, we can make a difference
to the lives of those in our community
who need our help the most'

Helping Hands Grantham



DONATE



Donate your unwanted clothing, toys, furniture, household goods or old bikes.
NO DVDs, VIDEO'S BOOKS OR SOFAS



Volunteer your time to help us serve our community. Whether you can spare 1 hour a month or 4 hours a day, please get in touch. Variety of roles available, and training is provided.



Help us by donating money, or offering to host some tombola's, raffles of lucky dips. All money raised is to help pay the bills and maintain the building.
NO WAGES PAID AS EVERYONE GIVES THEIR TIME FREELY

OUR FACILITIES

- We work closely with third party services to ensure the support is sourced and provided.
- Our mission is to create a one-stop community hub, where everyone has access to the resources and support they need.
- We have household items and clothing to support the most vulnerable in our community.



OUR STORY

Helping Hands Grantham and On Yer Bike Grantham is a new community group based in the heart of Grantham, run by a team of volunteers who offer their time, free of charge for the benefit and love of the community. The community group is the brainchild of two incredible ladies, Karen Oliver and Sandra Mullin MBE. Their extensive experience in supporting vulnerable members of the community and fundraising skills speaks volumes about their commitment in making a positive impact.



NEED HELP?

Get in touch - either via email, the website or in person. You will be supported to answer some questions so that we can assess your immediate needs and ensure you are receiving the correct benefits and support. All information provided will be confidential and you will be treated with the upmost respect.

We are open Mon - Fri, 10am to 2 pm and the first Sat of every month 10am - 2pm

CONTACT US



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