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*Newsletter 8*  
*9<sup>th</sup> January 2026*

Dear Parents, Carers and members of our school community,

Welcome back and Happy New Year to you all! We are so sorry that the start to term was severely disrupted for two days by the heating issues and the burst pipe. Thank you to our whole school community for the support you have shown to us at this difficult time. We are pleased to report that the issues are now resolved. We currently have a number of dehumidifiers running to dry out the front of school. We are in touch with our insurance providers and hope to act as swiftly as possible to get school back to normal.

Yesterday in Collective Worship, I showed the children some photographs of the damage and the piece of pipe that had burst. It's amazing that such a small crack can have such a huge impact! I have included a couple of images below.



### **Spring Term**

As we move through the Spring Term, we have lots planned in terms of enrichment. This includes class identity days for Humanities and DT. We also have two visits booked in from Inspire+, one on the theme of resilience and one for the Legacy Tour. Other events we are looking forward to include celebrating National Storytelling Week, Children's Mental Health Week, Safer Internet Day, World Book Day and Science Week. What a busy time we have ahead! Please keep an eye on the Key Dates section on page 2 which always gives you an outline of the weeks ahead.

### **Parent/Carer Meetings**

Please note the dates of the next Parent/Carer Meetings which will take place on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Well done to Mr Kidd**

I am pleased to inform you that Mr Kidd has successfully completed the National Professional Qualification in Senior Leadership, having completed 18 months of learning about school leadership and successfully passing the final assessment. Well done, Mr Kidd!

### **Inspire + Impact Report**

We are proud to work closely with Inspire+ who support much of our PE and sporting provision in school.

Inspire+ are a charity and their annual Impact Statement can be viewed here - [Impact and Updates - Inspire+](#)

### **Anxiety in Children**

Whilst we know that returning to school after a break is a positive experience for most children, there are some children who can find this particularly difficult. Just like adults, children can feel worried and anxious at times. If anxiety is getting in the way of your child's day-to-day life, or their anxiety is getting worse, please do speak to your child's class teacher. We have support we can offer in school and we know that working together with parents to support the children in our care leads to the best outcomes.

Please see the link below to the NHS website for further information.

[Anxiety in children - NHS](#)

*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](mailto: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 Safety**

Internetmatters.org is a great place to start if you are looking for ways to support your children in on line safety. You can get advice by age group and support in how to set controls on devices.

[Keep Children Safe Online: Information, advice, support - Internet Matters](#)

## **Key Dates for the Spring**

### **Week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> January**

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> – Inspire + Collective Worship - Resilience

### **Week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> January**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – World Religion Day

### **Week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> January**

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> – Open the Book Collective Worship

### **Week beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> February**

National Storytelling Week

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> – Inspire+ Legacy Tour

### **Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> February**

**Children's Mental Health Week**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> – Safer Internet Day

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – Last day of Term 3

**Half term is from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February.**

### **Week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – First Day of Term 4

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> – Class Identity Day (DT theme)

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](http://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](mailto:enquiries@ancaster.lincs.sch.uk).