

Wisdom Courage Respect

Dear Parents, Carers and members of our school community,

Good Luck Year 6

Our lovely Year 6 children will be sitting their SATs next week and I am sure you will join me in wishing them wisdom and courage as they make their final preparations towards these. We are so proud of the amazing young people they are. We hope they feel calm as they complete the assessments and remember that they have so many wonderful qualities that SATs do not test!

Online Safety Webinar

Please see below information about an online safety webinar which is free to access. It does require prior sign up. All events are recorded and sent out to those who are signed up after the event.

Online Safety Webinar for Primary Aged Parents – Wednesday 20th May 18:00-19:30

Learn about apps, games, social media and online risks – plus practical ways to keep your child safe.

Register via the link: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/staysafepartnership/2160048>

Wow – Walk to School

We are so proud to have topped the leaderboard for Lincolnshire again for participation and activity in the Wow - Walk to School Challenge. Let's hope we can get the top spot again in May and make it a hat trick!

New Lincolnshire mental health messaging service

We have been asked to share with you a new 24/7 mental health crisis text messaging service which launched on 1st April 2026. It provides an accessible alternative for people who may struggle with telephone or face-to-face contact. The service extends the NHS 111 option 2 mental health support delivered by the Lincolnshire 111 Mental Health Team, enabling confidential two-way messaging with trained healthcare professionals.

Anyone experiencing a mental health crisis can text from any mobile phone or start a chat online at www.chathealth.nhs.uk

Basic demographic details will be requested as standard, but individuals can choose to remain anonymous.

Dedicated text lines:

- Adults (18+): 07312 263027
- Children & Young People (under 18): 07480 635303

The team aims to respond to messages within two hours.

The service supports issues such as mood changes, withdrawal, anxiety, feeling overwhelmed, self-care difficulties, hallucinations, or thoughts of self-harm. It cannot provide prescriptions, diagnoses, home visits, Mental Health Act assessments, or hospital admissions.

For anyone already open to a mental health team, usual contacts should be used during office hours.

For life-threatening emergencies, people must still call 999 or attend A&E.

Power to Change Week – 18th May

Our Power to Change Ambassadors from Year 5 have been working hard to plan activities for Power to Change Week.

They are arranging a collection on behalf of Grantham Foodbank and welcome donations in the boxes provided in the library please.

- Pasta
- Pasta sauce
- Tinned fruit and meat
- UHT milk
- Tea and coffee
- Bottles of squash
- Toiletries (Soap, Shower Gel, Shampoo, Toilet rolls)

All classes will also be given an additional activity to complete including litter picking and a 'big tidy'. We will also be looking to make any lost property available at the end of the day on two occasions that week. We will share the days for this once we have a better idea of weather.

Best wishes, Mrs Lucy Jackson, Headteacher



1 ANCASTER COFE PRIMARY SCHOOL

78.1%

2 CAISTOR COFE AND METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL

62.5%

3 THE HARROWBY CHURCH OF ENGLAND INFANT SCHOOL, GRANTHAM

61.4%

4 WILLIAM ALVEY SCHOOL

60.8%

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 warmer months, this will include sun hats and sun cream 😊.

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.

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.

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.

Key Dates for the Spring Term

Week beginning 11th May – Year 6 SATS Week

Week beginning 18th May – Power to Change Week

Tuesday 19th May – Happy Shoes Day

Wednesday 20th – Reception Class trip

Friday 22nd – End of Term 5

Half term break – Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May

Year 6 children on residential from Sunday 31st May

Week beginning 1st June

Monday 1st – Start of Term 6

Wednesday 3rd – Year 6 finish residential

Friday 5th – Class Identity Day – PE, music and dance

Week beginning 8th June – Year 1 Phonics Screener and resits

Wednesday 10th – Year 6 Church Schools Festival

Thursday 11th – Parents/Carers meeting for new starts in Early Years in September 2026

Friday 12th – Sports Day (morning)

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

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.