

Wisdom Courage Respect

Dear Parents, Carers and members of our school community,

Cycle and Scoot to School Week

We are excited to be taking part in 'Bike and Scoot to School Week' starting 5th October. LCC are also running a competition to 'Bling your Bike or Scooter' on Tuesday 6th October. All children who decorate their bike or scooter (safely) and bike/ride to school that day will be entered into a county wide competition. I look forward to seeing your creations! You can follow the link below for further details.

[Cycle to School Week 2026 - Bikeability](#)

Food in School

You may have heard in the media that regulations around food in schools are changing. We will keep you updated but remind you that we encourage healthy snacks for break time. Please remember, chocolate, cake and crisps are not permitted at morning break.



Attendance Matters – and Fluffy

We have very high expectations around attendance and aim to have every child in school every day. We are obviously aware that children are sometimes unwell and unable to attend and ask you notify the office by email on enquiries@ancaster.lincs.sch.uk clearly stating the reason for absence. Where medical appointments are required, please ensure these do not interrupt registration times (9:00 and 13:15) as this would impact your child's overall attendance. If your child's attendance shows that they are persistently absent (under 90%) or at risk of persistent absence, I will be in touch to discuss a support plan. If you have any questions about this, please do get in touch.

Please remember, holidays in term time are unauthorised and, if taken, you are likely to receive a significant fine from the Local Authority.

The class in school with the best attendance each week get to have Fluffy, Ancaster's Attendance Alpaca, with them for a week. Last week Fluffy enjoyed a few days with Class France and this week

he's having fun in Class Morocco. Well done to Year 1 and Year 2 for their excellent attendance 😊.

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Side/Field gate

The opening of the side gate which opens onto Ancaster Playing Field is working well. This gate is open from 8:45 to 9:00 and 15:25 to 15:35 each day, the same as the main gate. Whilst building works are ongoing, this should help to relieve some pressure at the front of school, allowing families who drive to park away from the main school and walk in across the playing field. Please ensure you are parking safely and sensibly at all times.

SEND - Parent Feedback Request

We are always keen to work closely with all our parents and welcome feedback. This year, part of our School Development Plan is linked to our engagement with parents of children with additional needs. If you have any feedback on what we already do well and how we can improve, or other ways we can support, please get in touch with me to share your feedback or arrange a meeting. We are in the process of changing the way we document provision for children with additional needs and the how this is then shared with parents is a key factor.

We know children make the best progress when we all work together as a team 😊.



Ancaster CofE Primary School

OFSTED (Good) - 'Ancaster CofE Primary School is thriving. It is a happy place'.

SLAMS (Good) - 'The inclusive ethos allows all to belong and flourish'.



Open Morning

16th October 2026 at 9:30am

Open Day

We are pleased to be offering an Open Morning again this year on Friday 16th October at 9:30am. If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2027, or know someone who has, please do share the details and get in touch. For anyone who cannot make Friday 16th, we will make separate arrangements for a school visit.

Best wishes, Mrs Lucy Jackson, Headteacher

Newsletter 2

18th September 2026

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 cooler 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.

Online Safety

Internetmatters.org is a great place to start if you are looking for ways to support your children in online 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 Autumn Term

Week beginning 21st September

Week beginning 28th September

Thursday 1st – Open the Book Worship

Week beginning 5th October – Cycle or Scoot to School Week

Tuesday 6th – Bling Your Bike Competition

Thursday 8th – Grandparents Day in Class England - 14:00

Friday 9th – World Mental Health Day

Week beginning 12th October

Wednesday 14th – Eco Day

Thursday 15th – Harvest Festival 9:15 KS2, 10:15 KS1 and Early Years

Friday 16th – Open Day at 9:30am for September 2027 starters

Week beginning 19th October

Tuesday 20th – 'Flu Vaccinations

Friday 23rd October – Last day of Term 1

Please note, we return to school on Monday 2nd November

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.



PEDAL MORE



STRESS LESS



Take a step (or pedal) in the right direction and join Cycle to School Week, 05–09 October 2026!

Cycling keeps you active—boosting your mood and reducing stress. Making you feel better in the classroom.

cycletoschoolweek.co.uk

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WIN PRIZES
Best 10 decorated cycles
or scooters win a £40
voucher for Halfords!
5 KS1 and 5 KS2

BLING YOUR BIKE DAY

TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2026

Decorate
your bike!
Be creative!



RESPECT OUR LOCAL HEROES ON THE ROADS

Because we all want a better future



Road Workers work hard and long hours to keep our roads safe and smooth for everyone, including us as we go to school.



Thank you!

A kind smile and a 'thank you' goes a long way.
Let's show them we care!

Lincolnshire
COUNTY COUNCIL
Working for a Better future

PET SERVICE

All pets welcome!

Celebrating the animals we love and cherish ♥

SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

@ 3PM

St Martin Ancaster

All creatures great and small are very special! ♥