

Wisdom Courage Respect

Dear Parents, Carers and members of our school community,



Mrs Tomlinson

Mrs Tomlinson, our wonderful SENCO, will be retiring at Christmas after over 19 years at Ancaster School and 38 years as an educator. Mrs Tomlinson has supported and enriched the lives of so many children and families at this school, and we wish her all the very best for her retirement. We will all miss her terribly! We will share details of Mrs Tomlinson's farewell nearer the time.

Please be assured that plans are in place to appoint a new SENCO and Mrs Tomlinson will be providing a thorough handover to the new team member.

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 to book a space. For anyone who cannot make Friday 16th, we will make separate arrangements for a school visit.

Cycle and Scoot to School Week

A final reminder that next week is Cycle/Scoot to School Week and Bling your Bike/Scooter is on Tuesday 😊. We are looking forward to seeing all the creations!

Cycle to School Week 2026 - Bikeability



Attendance Matters – Every child in school, on time, every day 😊

Fluffy had a great time visiting Class China last week. This week he has been awarded to Class USA who had a fantastic week with over 99% attendance - and they are also averaging 98% attendance for this year so far. Well done Class USA

The children have been learning

about the importance of good attendance, and arriving at school on time every day, in our Collective Worship. They were all so positive about why it's important to allow them to **be the best they can be**.

PTFA Disco

The PTFA 'Welcome back Disco' will take place on Friday 9th October. Please look out for further details from the PTFA which will be sent on ParentHub.

SEND - Parent Feedback Request

A reminder that 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 😊.

Best wishes, Mrs Lucy Jackson, Headteacher



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



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 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 and PTFA Disco (after school) 😊

Week beginning 12th October

Tuesday 13th – Harvest Festival 9:15 KS2, 10:15 KS1 and Early Years

Wednesday 14th – Eco Day

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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Best 10 decorated cycles
or scooters win a £40
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5 KS1 and 5 KS2

BLING YOUR BIKE DAY

TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2026

Decorate
your bike!
Be creative!

