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## Newsletter 4

31<sup>st</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and members of our school community,

*I hope you all had a restful half term break. It seems that the last few weeks have flown by. There have been so many highlights and it has been a pleasure to see the children settle into their new classes. Our new starters in Class England have had a fabulous first half term at Ancaster and we are so proud of how well they have adjusted to school life.*



### **Harvest Festival**

Well done to all the children for the fabulous Harvest Festival. The children and staff worked so hard to prepare for the event and I am sure you will join me in thanking them all. I would also like to thank Reverend Georgie and the support team at St. Martin's Church for their hospitality. We were overwhelmed by the amount of produce donated by our school community and I am sure Grantham Foodbank were very grateful for all the items.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to join us for this special event and for the generous donations. It truly was a wonderful celebration.

### **Worship Theme**

The children enjoyed exploring the theme of 'Thankfulness' in worship time last half term. I have been impressed by how carefully the children have thought about what they are thankful for and the importance of expressing our thanks to others. We now move onto the

theme of 'Trust' and are excited to welcome a selection of visitors to our worships during the half term ahead.

### **Diversity Week**

In the week before half term, all the classes celebrated Diversity Week. The children considered our similarities and differences and looked at diversity as a whole. We enjoyed a fabulous worship on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October, where children from each class shared what they had been learning about. The children could see that our differences make us stronger as a school. Well done to all the children for their great work.

### **Open Morning**

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, we are holding our annual Open Morning for children and their families who are due to start school in September 2024. If you would like to join us, please contact the school office where Mrs Barratt will give you further details. We would love you to share this date with any families you know who may wish to join us on the day.

### **Parent/Carer Consultations**

We will be holding our Autumn Term Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. Further details will follow soon.

### **Staff Clubs**

Staff clubs will restart on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November. We would like to express special thanks to all the staff who have offered to give up their time after school to offer these extracurricular experiences.

### **PTFA Fireworks**

We hope many of you will be able to join us on Friday for the annual PTFA fireworks. Gates open at 5.30pm with fireworks at 7pm. For tickets please follow the link on ParentHub.

*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.

### **Parking**



We ask all members of our school community to park with care and respect for our children and other road users.

#### **Park and Stride**

The car parks at the playing field and social club are available for use from any parents to 'park and stride' each day. This may help with congestion and therefore help keep our children as safe as possible.

### **Changeable weather**

Please ensure children are well equipped for the day ahead. Coats will be increasingly important as we move into the colder months.



### **Key Dates for the Autumn Term 2**

#### **Week beginning 30<sup>th</sup> October**

**30<sup>th</sup> October** – School closed

**31<sup>st</sup> October** – First day of term 2

**1<sup>st</sup> November** – Flu vaccines in school

**3<sup>rd</sup> November** – New starters Open Morning  
- PTFA Fireworks

#### **Week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> November**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup>** – Staff Clubs start

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>** – Road Safety Workshops Y1-5

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>** – Individual photographs

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>** – Remembrance Day Worship

#### **Week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> November**

**Interfaith Week**

**Anti-bullying Week**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup>** – Children in Need

#### **Week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> November**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>** – Parent/Carer Consultations

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Parent/Carer Consultations

Term dates can be found here –

[School term times – Lincolnshire County Council](#)

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for small things,  
big things, and  
everything in  
between.

