



Ancaster CofE Primary School

Newsletter 5 – 16th November 2012

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Special Mentions



In our celebration assemblies, this week and last, certificates were given to:

Class 1 – Alecia Clark, Alice Pellett, Logan Everett and Emily Herrick

Class 2 – Jack Marsh, Josh Welby, Shaun Pellett and Hayden Everett

Class 3 – Jasmin Pellett, Jasmine Hendry, Harrison Taylor and Ashlee Hayter

Class 4 – Whole Class, Tiegan Everett and George Fisher

Class 5 – Kirsty Crawford, Morgan Mason, Josie Taylor and Jack Jonson

Our 'Mega Mathematicians' are –

Tyler Walters, Jaydon Dixon-Hardy, Justin Dixon-Hardy, Harry Demetriou, Ellen Stafford, Mya Baker, Mitchell Seng, Gus Phillis, Eliza Batchelor, Sam Taylor, Olivia Allen, Harry Spencer and Ben Elmes

Our 'WOW Writers' are –

Brogan Greenhalf, Archie Vangasse, Charlie Baker, Grace Turner, Holli Batchelor, Charlotte Hinbest, Eva Lunn, Willow Hanks, Harvey Greenhalf, Mya Baker, Maisy Pattison, Libby Stafford

Team Point Running Totals:

Maia: 394, Saturn: 387

Apollo: 586, Minerva: 500

Parent View – The easy way to tell Ofsted how our school is doing



Ofsted are always keen to hear your views on how your child's school is doing. They have replaced paper questionnaires, usually only given out during an inspection, with an online questionnaire. This can be accessed by visiting:

<http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>. There are 12 questions to complete and these will provide both Ofsted and us with valuable data on what we're doing well and areas where we can improve. A link to access the site has been added to our website in the 'Ofsted' section via the 'Parents' tab.

Please remember, our door is always open and we'd love to hear first-hand what we're doing well and will do our best to respond to any issues or concerns you may have.



All week we've been raising the children's awareness to Children in Need through our assembly theme 'Needs and Wants'. The children have been incredibly responsive and thoughtful and we have enjoyed our super day dressed inside out and in our spots and stripes.

We've had lots of copper donations - **THANKYOU!** The winning class, which was Class 4, raised a total of £26.69.

Our total count for today is £76.03, which in coppers, I'm sure you'll agree, is brilliant. We will of course let you know if this total rises as donations continue to come in through the day.

PTFA News

The next PTFA meeting is on Thursday 22nd November, this will also be the AGM. If you want to come and say hello and offer any of your time to either being a trustee and being on the committee or even just offering your time to help at the events, we would love to hear from you!

Next meeting: Thursday 22nd November 3.30pm in Class 2.

Fireworks Success



It was great to see so many people turn out for the Fireworks last week. As well as being great fun, we raised £826 for the school. PTFA will of course let you know where the money is spent.

Thank you for being there and showing your support.

Class 5 – Play in a Day!

Class 5 had a great day today working with Konflux theatre, learning and performing a play based on the theme of Cyberbullying. They will be sharing their learning and experiences with the school next week during Anti-Bullying Week.

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Open Morning Friday 7th December

9.30 – 11.30am

Whether your child is already at school with us or hoping to join us in September, why not come along to our Open Morning. You can:

- Take an informative tour of the school from our pupils
- Join in with learning in each class
- Talk to the staff and pupils
- Share in our celebration assembly
- Have coffee and cake with members of our PTFA
- Learn of our mission, aims and successes
- and of course ask all the questions you want.

There will be lots of information available including our school brochure, any spare admission packs and examples of school and governor newsletters which keep you up to date throughout a school year.

Staying Safe

Our pupil questionnaire last term found that whilst on the whole pupils feel safe in school, many were very upset by the story surrounding April Jones. We have listened to pupils further via our 'chatter groups' and have requested that Mark Barr, our local PCSO come and chat with the children about Stanger Danger and Staying Safe. He is visiting KS1 on Monday (19th) and KS2 on the 26th and 27th November.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 29th Nov: Cluster Schools Netball Tournament at school 1 – 3pm
Friday 30th Nov: Class 1 & 2 – Trip to Belton House
Friday 7th Dec: Open Morning, 9.30 – 11.30
Friday 7th Dec: Xmas Fayre – pm, times tbc
Thurs 13th Dec: Choir performing at Walton Girls Primary Choir Festival – time tbc
Mon 17th Dec: Choir Christmas Concert, 6pm
Tues 18th & Wed 19th Dec: KS1 Christmas play performances from 2pm.
Thurs 20th Dec: Class Parties from 1.30pm onwards
Fri 21st Dec: Last day of Term – Fun and Games Day
Church Carol Concert – date & time tbc

Does your child need a place in September 2013? Or does someone else you know need one?

Admission packs for new starters in Foundation Stage for September 2013 have arrived in school and will be available from the school office for you to collect on Monday (19th November). As per last year, there will be no application form in the pack as these are now online. If however, you do not have computer access you will need to make a telephone application or ask for a paper application, by contacting the Education Team at the Customer Service Centre on 01522 782030. We've had lots of enquiries so make sure you get yours completed soon.

Visit: www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Say NO to Bullying Anti-Bullying Week 19th – 23rd November 2012



Every year we raise children's awareness of bullying and teach them about what bullying is and how to ask for help. This year is no different and next week they will be taking part in activities to develop their understanding further. It is a great week that supports the work we do in school ALL YEAR to ensure our children are SAFE and HAPPY. We are very proud of our pupils and whilst we have helped children this year solve some of their friendship fall outs, we have zero incidents of bullying recorded in our log so far. Pupil Questionnaires have been incredibly positive with 91% of our pupils in KS2 saying they knew what to do if they were being bullied and that they could get help from adults in school.

Foundation Stage photos – Sleaford Standard will be in school on Friday (23rd) in the afternoon to take a photo of our class of Foundation stage children.

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