



Inspire Believe Achieve

Our aim is to inspire and encourage our children to believe in their ability to succeed through learning. This vision will enable them to achieve and succeed in reaching their full potential and beyond, now and for their future.

January 2022

Head of School Update

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break and managed to keep safe and well. The school is all set for what promises to be another busy term, and we are hopeful of a happier new year for us all.

It has been fantastic to see the projects created by our children over the Christmas break. These will be displayed in the school hall or in classrooms as pupils embark on this term's exciting projects. Thank you for your support in this, during what is such a busy time at home.

Thank you, again, for your support during the last term, especially with our fundraising efforts. Christingle donations for The Children's Society raised £141.49 and Christmas Jumper Day raised £135.10 for Save the Children. The Swimming Pool Committee's Christmas fundraising raised a staggering £822 with an additional £282 from the sale of pupil designed Christmas cards.

Our pupils in Reception and KS1 gave a wonderful Christmas performance which is still available to view via the link sent out to parents. We are very proud of all that our youngest people achieved and it ended the term with a lovely festive feel. The school continues to work within guidance sent out by DfE around the coronavirus pandemic and we continue to review and revise systems and procedures accordingly. We continue to limit mixing between classes where possible to limit spread when cases are identified.

The new Reception classroom build continues at pace. We now have the basic framework in place, and whilst there is still much work to be completed, so far everything is on track. All pupils have dealt incredibly well with the changes around school since the build began, and we are so proud of how sensibly they have approached things.

School Value

This term's value is perseverance. Over the coming weeks, pupils will learn about this value via whole school and class workshops. A values newsletter will be sent out to parents in the coming days with links to Bible stories and activities which can be undertaken at home.

Term Dates:

Children return: Tuesday 4th January
Monday 21st February to Thursday 31st March
Wednesday 20th April to Friday 27th May
Monday 6th June to Friday 22nd July

Other Dates:

4th Jan Term starts

New Intake Deadline

If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2022, please ensure that you have completed your application for a school place before the deadline.

School Closure due to weather or emergencies

The decision to close the school is never taken lightly. We appreciate that many pupils live within walking distance of the school but we also have to take into account where our staff live and their ability to travel to and from school safely in order to ensure the safety of our pupils.

Once the decision has been made to close the school, the information will be broadcast on the local radio:

- Lincs FM
- BBC Radio Lincolnshire

We will also update the school website, the school Twitter account and Lincolnshire County Council will put it on the school closures page at:

www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures

Safeguarding

We believe that safeguarding is an important part of our work with children and young adults so will keep this reminder in all of our newsletters. Safeguarding is the responsibility of all of us. If you have concerns about the safety of any child, you should let somebody know. Both Mrs Flack and Mrs Adie are the designated safeguarding leads within the school.

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