



# Inspire Believe Achieve

We enable our children to be the best that they can be, through our vision of "Inspire Believe Achieve" rooted in the belief that "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

October 2023

## Head of School Update

The first weeks of the new school year have certainly flown by! Children across the school have settled well and are working hard in their new classes.

Pupils have also been enjoying a new addition to our outside space with the installation of our reflection area. Children are invited to use the area for moments of quiet reflection and it is proving to be very popular.



Classes from Year 2 upwards have been busy undertaking their Class Parliament elections in the first few weeks of term. Two pupils from each class have been selected to take on these roles, along with representatives who will make up the school's Worship Council. We have also decided on the Y6 pupils who will take on the roles of Pupil Principals & deputy Pupil Principals. We are delighted to announce that Alana and Thomas will be our Pupil Principals, with Harry and Teegan as deputy Pupil Principals.

We have many events to look forward to over the coming term. Our Harvest Festival will take place on 13<sup>th</sup> October and we invite parents and carers to meet us at St Mary's Church, Whaplode for the service at 9:30am. Could we ask that any donations to the Harvest Festival are brought into school that morning so that we are able to arrange their collection by Holbeach Community Larder.

In the coming weeks, pupils from Key Stage 2 will be busy representing our school at a number of Elite Sports football tournaments. We look forward to seeing how well they get on and will be sure to share the outcomes of these events with you.

Finally, our Swimming Pool Committee will be sharing details of their upcoming fundraising event, the Hedgehog Hunt, which will take place before half term.

## Term Dates:

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October.  
Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October to Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December.  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February to Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

## Other Dates:

2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	School photographer in
13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Harvest Festival (9.30am start at church)
20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Break up for half term

## School Photographs

Wrates will be in school on the morning of Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October to take individual photos. We will also arrange for photographs to be taken with siblings in school.

## Reception 2024

If you have a child who is due to start school in Sept 2024, please visit our website to see our virtual tour. We will be holding open morning & afternoons during November. Please see the school website for further details.

## Calling Y6 Parents!

Although Y6 has only just started, it's time to start thinking about making your application for secondary school places, in readiness for next September. Please go online at [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions) to make your application before noon on 31<sup>st</sup> October.

## Safeguarding

We believe that safeguarding is an important part of our work with children and young adults, and is the responsibility of us all. If you have concerns about the safety of any child, you should let somebody know. Both Miss Muir and Mrs Adie are the designated safeguarding officers within the school.

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