

# **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

# February 2024

# Head of School Update

It would seem that spring is most definitely in the air if the recent sunshine is anything to go by and the school is bustling with children who are busy learning!

Just last week, pupils from Year 5 and 6 spent four days training for their Bikeability award. They spent over eight hours outside in rain, sunshine and gales, developing their confidence riding their bikes on the roads around the village. The instructors were very pleased with their behaviour and resilient attitude, and we were very proud of them all.

We look forward to welcoming you into school for a number of events planned in March. Parents evenings have been booked in for Tues 5<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, followed by every class holding their Celebration of Learning for the Spring term during the week of 18<sup>th</sup> March. We will send further communication out with specific dates for each class in the coming weeks. We will also be holding our annual Book Fair from 19<sup>th</sup>- 25<sup>th</sup> March which is a fantastic opportunity to purchase new books for your children. It is also an excellent way for us to increase our book choices in school through the commission from book sales.

We are delighted to have been awarded the Lincolnshire Reading Pledge's bronze award which is a recognition of the work we do as a school to celebrate and promote reading. We will continue to work hard in this endeavour and will be aiming for the silver award in the coming year.

Pupils from Year 6 will be getting packed and ready to say farewell to their loved ones, as they head off for their Hilltop residential visit at the start of the February half-term holiday. We hope they all have the most amazing time making some very special memories whilst challenging themselves in all kinds of ways. We look forward to hearing all about their adventures on their return!

## Term Dates:

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:

Thur 8<sup>th</sup> Feb Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Feb Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Feb Fri 1<sup>st</sup> March Mon 4<sup>th</sup> March Tues 5<sup>th</sup> March Thur 7<sup>th</sup> March 18<sup>th</sup>- 22<sup>nd</sup> March Tues 26<sup>th</sup> March Thur 28<sup>th</sup> March Thur 28<sup>th</sup> March Y5 pupils to Singsation at UAH Y6 pupils to Hilltop Pupils return after half term Class photographs Y6 visit to Duxford Parents evening World Book Day Parents evening Celebrations of Learning Y4 Easter Experience at St Mary's Church Easter Service at church End of term

# **Safeguarding**

We believe that safeguarding is an important part of our work with children and young adults. Safeguarding is the responsibility of all of us. 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 leads within the school.

## Bingo

With the summer swimming season just a few weeks away, our swimming pool committee are busy organising a variety of fundraising events. On Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> March, they will be holding a bingo night at Weston Village Hall. Further details of this event will be sent out shortly so dig out your dabbers and be ready for eyes down!

# 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 to ensure the safety of our pupils. Once the decision has been made to close the school, parents will be informed via our usual communication systems. The information will also be broadcast on the local radio:

- 1. Lincs FM
- 2. BBC Radio Lincolnshire

We will also update the school website, the school Twitter account & Lincolnshire County Council will put it on the school closures page at: <u>https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures</u>

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