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Grandparents' Day

School starts for all children at 8:55am. School finishes at 3:05pm for the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 and 3:15pm for Key Stage 2.

Please note: these are times when class lessons finish. Please allow 5 to 10 minutes for your child to pack his/her school bag and put on their coat.

Please do not send your child before 8:45am when staff become responsible for children on the playgrounds. Children arriving before 8:45am are not allowed onto the school premises and must wait outside the gates.

Late

Please can parents ensure that their children arrive at school before 8:55am.

The gates close at this time, and any child arriving after this point is late. Parents have a legal duty to ensure their child attends school on time.

Lateness has a negative impact on everybody at school. Being late can:

- Disrupt lessons It is unfair on the teachers and other children in the class if another child enters the classroom once lessons have started.
- Affect the achievement your child and others
- Embarrass/upset your child when the class have already started their work

Being late adds up to loss of learning:

5 minutes late every day adds up to 3 days lost each year,

10 minutes adds up to 6 days lost each year, 15 minutes adds up to 10 days lost each year, 20 minutes adds up to 13 days lost each year, 30 minutes adds up to 19 days lost each year.

Being on time means not missing out! Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Term-time Absence

Due to Government legislation, head teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are **exceptional** circumstances. Applications due to work commitments must include evidence provided from the parent's

emplover.

Forms to apply for term-time absence are available from the school office. If you have any queries concerning this issue, please speak to the office staff who will be pleased to help!

Absence from School

If your child is absent from school please contact the school by leaving a message on the answerphone on each day of the absence Starting School in 2020? When your child returns to school, please follow this up by a letter explaining the reasons for absence.

Toast

Toast will be available on Tuesday break times. Please send any money in a purse or named and sealed envelope to avoid any confusion. 20p a slice



The annual Grandparents' Day has been arranged for Friday 22nd May 2020, which is the last day of term 5. Further details will be sent out later next term, however, knowing the date gives families the opportunity to begin arrangements.

Headlice

We have had a number of cases of head lice reported by parents. Please see the link below to help prevent and treat. http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Head-lice/Pages/Introduction.aspx

Threadworms

Locally, along with other schools nationally, there seems to be a rise in threadworm cases.

Threadworms (pinworms) are tiny worms in excrement. They're common in children and spread easily. You can treat them without seeing your GP. You can buy medicine for threadworms from pharmacies. This is usually a chewable tablet or liquid you swallow.

Treat everyone in your household, even if they don't have symptoms. Please see https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms/ for more information.

Ordering School Meals

Remember to order your child's school meals online

http://www.schoolmealsonline.co.uk/

If you experience any difficulty when ordering, please contact our school meal provider on 01522 246424 or email admin@schoolmealsonline.co.uk Lunchboxes

If you want ideas on how to make a healthy packed lunch: www.nhs.uk/change4life/Pages/healthy-lunchbox-picnic.aspx ...have got some great ideas for you, and in no time you'll have delicious lunchbox ideas for all the family.

Take the lunchbox list with you when you shop - it will help you avoid reaching for tempting, less healthy foods, and it could save you time and money too!

Healthy Snacks at Playtime Just a gentle reminder that your child needs a healthy

snack for break time and a water bottle to take into their class. Whilst some of the cereal bars do offer health benefits, they also contain a high level of sugar which is detrimental to your child's teeth, leading to tooth decay. Fresh fruit and vegetables, raisins or cheese for their morning snack are the best choices and we would ask children to save their other snacks for lunchtime. If your child has access to fresh water throughout the day, then they are able to remain hydrated and concentration levels are improved, aiding good progression. Many thanks for your support and understanding in this area.



Is your child starting school in September 2020? Visit https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/ to apply for a place.

The online admissions system is available for parents and carers who would like to apply for a Reception/Foundation Stage place. Children who are born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 are due to start Reception in September 2020.







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Science Project

A huge well done to all the children in Mrs Hall's class who completed their homework project on Animals and Habitats. The children were clearly inspired and had created many different types of habitats using very a variety of materials. They took great pride in presenting their work to the class and many of them had done some in-depth research, expanding on their classroom learning. A big thank you to parents, grandparents and all family members too who got involved in supporting your child with this fun, learning experience at home!







SATs week for Key Stage 2 is nationally arranged for the week beginning 11th May 2020. All Year 6 children will be participating in the tests. Year Two SATs testing will take place throughout May, and therefore children need to be in school during this time.

Year One Phonics Screening will be taking place during the week commencing 8th June 2020 and is a Government requirement.

Therefore, please ensure your child is in school during this period. Absences during this time may be classified as unauthorised.

Upcoming Events

This Academic year: 2019-2020

Term 3 ends – Friday 14th Feb 2020 Term 4: Monday 24th Feb – Thursday 2nd Apr 2020 Term 5 : Monday 20th Apr – Friday 22nd May 2020 Term 6 : Tues 2nd Jun – Tues 21st July 2020

Academic Year 2020-2021

Term 1 Thursday 3rd Sept – Thursday 22nd Oct 2020 Term 2: Monday 2nd Nov – Thursday 17th Dec 2020 Term 3: Monday 4th January – Fri 12th Feb 2021 Term 4: Mon 22nd Feb – Wed 31st March 2021 Term 5 : Monday 19th Apr – Friday 28th May 2021 Term 6 : Mon 7th Jun – Wednesday 21st July 2021



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