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Langtoft Primary School

Newsletter #110

Term 4/Friday 3 March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Storm Doris took off part of the roof and Mrs Bussey and Mrs Graves announced their pregnancies. Quite a start to March! Please join with me, to congratulate Mr and Mrs Bussey and Mr and Mrs Graves on their great news. We wish them a happy and healthy pregnancy.

REMINDER PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Thank you for returning requests for an appointment to meet with your child/children's class teacher/s. Confirmation of your appointment date and time is in your child's book bag today.

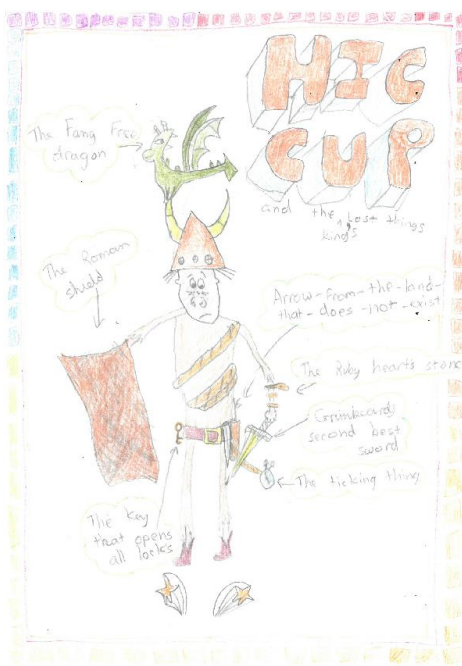
REMINDER AFTER-SCHOOL AND LUNCHTIME CLUBS

Please check your child's book bag today for a form for you to request the club/s your child would like to attend in Terms 4 and 5. Regrettably (and to ensure adequate supervision) there is a limit on the number of children able to take part in some clubs. Please return requests by **Wednesday 8 March** at the latest. Thank you.

NEW WORLD BOOK DAY EVENTS

Well done to all of the children who entered our World Book Day Art Competition. The many great entries made judging the competition especially tricky for our School Council. After much deliberating, five pieces of artwork were selected to each receive a £5.00 book token to spend at the book fair.

The winners were:



Ned Bailey, Year 6
(left)



Alicia Goodson, Year 2
(right)

MR STINK!

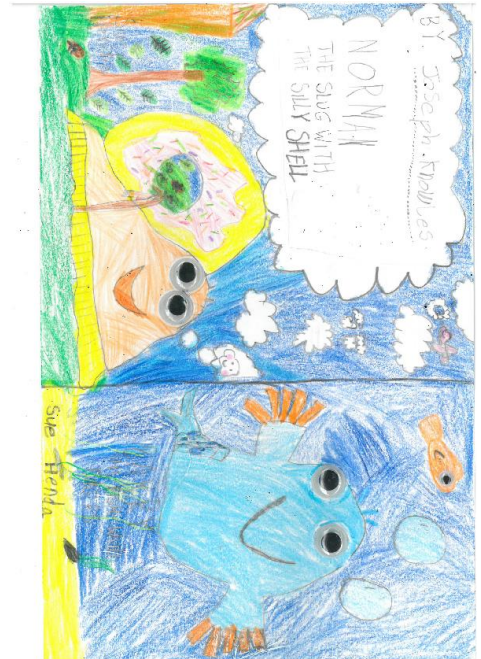
Jack Hammond, Year 3
(left)



War
Horse



Joseph
Knowles, Year 2
(right)



Florence Bailey, Year 5 (left)

(Apologies to Joseph and Flo: the computer was in a bad mood and wouldn't let us rotate your picture!)

Thank you to the FOLS for organising last night's *Bedtime Story* event. We enjoyed sharing stories with the children – and their teddies!

Another thank you to the FOLS for running today's *Book Swap*. What a lovely way for the children to discover a new book. Thank you if you supported the event by allowing your child to bring in a book or two to swap.



The children looked great today in their costumes depicting a favourite book character.

A difficult task for each teacher was to nominate just three children to go through to the final to receive a £5 book token.

The final winners are pictured left:

If you forget to send your child with £1 for today's event, please send it along on Monday.

REMINDER SPONSORED EVENT

We have teamed together with *Sports For Schools* by arranging for GB athlete Clare Cunningham to visit our school during the afternoon of **Monday 6 March**. The athlete will coach each class of children in a short fitness circuit for which the children are being invited to collect sponsorship. The day will end with an inspirational assembly led by the athlete. **The children should come to school on Monday dressed in their indoor PE kit.**



We have already shared with the children during an assembly last Monday details of the forthcoming event. On that day, each child brought home a sponsorship form so that they could collect sponsors ready for the event on Monday. A ParentMail was also sent out on Monday with a link to a video of what the event will entail and the exercises involved so that the children can practise at home.

The School Council representatives for each class have been set the task of deciding one question per class that can be asked of Clare during her assembly at the end of the day.

We ask that the sponsor form is returned to school on **Monday 6 March** – the day of the sponsored event - so that it can be 'signed off'. You will then have one week until **Monday 13 March** to collect and return the sponsorship money and form together to the black post box in the Main Entrance. Alternatively you can make your sponsor donations by setting up your child's fundraising page online, following this link before the deadline date: <http://www.sportsforschools.org/event/pe511>

Thank you in advance for sponsoring your children and helping the school and Britain's athletes in this way. The money raised by the children will be split between *Sports for Schools* and our school, where we can purchase some new sports equipment.

REMINDER CUTLERY FOR PACKED LUNCHES

I should like to remind you of the need for you to supply your child with their own cutlery (as needed) with their packed lunch. We did have once a supply of spare spoons and knives: these were lent out and never returned so now we have none left. [Thank you for your help.](#)

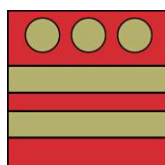
REMINDER CLASS ASSEMBLIES

I have pleasure in sharing with you the date of your child's Class Assembly this school year. A Class Assembly is a lovely way for the children to share with you their latest learning so we hope that you will be able to attend.

- Each Class Assembly takes place in the school hall and starts at 9:15am (unless otherwise stated).
- Sadly we have to limit the number of guests per child to two.
- If you wish to video record your child, you must sign the log we keep. This will be available on the morning of each assembly. Video recordings are for private home use only and should not be shared with others or uploaded onto social media sites.

Class	Date
Y4	Thursday 4 May
Y1	Thursday 8 June in church at 9.30am
FS	Thursday 13 July

REMINDER YEAR 5 BOURNE GRAMMAR ROADSHOW



Bourne Grammar School will be holding their information session in our school hall on **Tuesday 21 March at 3.15pm** for Year 5 parents and children. The session will be led by Mr Maddox, Headteacher and cover secondary selection (the 11+) and admission process.

UPDATE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN

I am the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead. It is amongst my responsibilities to promote the keeping safe of children not only in our school but in the wider community, too. Each month inside every newsletter there will be a safeguarding section covering a range of topics over the year. This month...

ROAD SAFETY. In December of last year, we arranged for Sara Bartlett from the Road Safety Team at Lincolnshire County Council to visit our school and lead sessions with the children on how to stay safe whilst walking about the village. It is with concern that I learn from a parent with children at our school that another parent mounted the kerb and drove along the pavement, nearly hitting a child on the way. We all know as parents ourselves how awful this sounds and are surprised that anyone would drive so irresponsibly...but it has happened outside our school and hope everyone reading this will think twice.

UPDATE SPORTING EVENTS

🏀 Y5/6 NETBALL LEAGUE

We took part in a local netball league against other primary schools in the area hosted by Baston C of E Primary School. The matches took place over three dates in Term 3. The children played well, considering the tough competition and their lack of experience. Overall our school came fifth with all of the children enjoying themselves and trying their best. Well done!

Thank you to Sports Coach, Mrs Oakley and parent, Mrs Hunter for leading the training sessions.

🎭 DANCE SHOWCASE

Mrs Britten writes: 'A total of 21 pupils from KS2 took part in the Spalding Dance Showcase on 21 February with Miss Porter and me. The children were amongst nine other primary and secondary schools that had all worked incredibly hard to choreograph pieces for the show. It was a wonderful opportunity to share ideas and to experience a variety of different dance styles.'



Thank you to Mrs Britten and Miss Porter for organising the children's training sessions.

We were treated to a performance of our children's routine in assembly last week. It was great to see the children enjoying dancing in front of an audience.

UPDATE THE 5Cs

In February, we were pleased to be able to award 5C badges to...

Caring	Conscientious	Considerate	Cooperative	Courteous
	Matthew Bryan Robert Theobald		Tom Davis	

UPDATE THE GOLDEN BOOK OF GREATNESS

February 2017

Daniel Phillips	Lola Williams-Nolan	Chester Cooper	Maisie Moulds
Freya Stewart	Annabelle Charity- Keefe	Aydan Feetham	Ryan Langham
Austin Elliott	Freya Stewart		

UPDATE CONSULTATION ON FOOD POLICY AND SEX AND RELATIONSHIPS POLICY

Thank you for returning a response to the consultation on our draft policies for food and sex and relationships. I shall forward the responses to the governing body for their consideration.

I should like to apologise for the mix-up encountered when the policies were sent out on ParentMail. A hiccup in the system meant that not everybody received the draft policies or did not receive them in time to respond. By correcting the error and extending the deadline, I hope that everyone that who wanted to respond had time to do so.

UPDATE EAR-RINGS IN P.E.

For a long time it has been our policy that children wearing ear-rings to school should remove them before the start of a P.E. lesson. Where this was not possible, they should be provided with tape from home and expected to tape over the stud.



We have recently been advised that this is poor practice and that ear-rings should be removed completely and not merely taped over. This year, we are working with Rupert Gibson of Agilitas Sport. Rupert organises many of the sporting competitions we attend with local schools and is delivering lessons to classes as part of our staff training programme. Rupert is not allowing children to take part in competitions if they are wearing ear-rings and is refusing to teach children in school who are

wearing ear-rings. This policy is based on the latest guidance. **With everyone's best interests in mind, I am informing you that children must remove their ear-rings before a P.E. lesson. Children who are unable to do so will not be able to take part.** Thank you for your understanding.

UPDATE FOLS EVENTS

✚ LANGTOFT'S GOT TALENT

Langtoft's Got Talent 10th Anniversary shows took place over two nights last term. Both shows gave the opportunity for our children – past and present – to enjoy performing in front of cheering audiences!



The total raised so far is £2,138.79 - a fantastic amount. This does not include the sale of DVDs. Unfortunately FOLS were unable to secure match-funding this year so if any parent/carer or relative works for a company which would be willing to match-fund FOLS' large events, please get in touch.

✚ EASTER DISCO

F.O.L.S. will be holding their Easter Disco on Thursday 30 March. Unfortunately Y5 will be on their Ironbridge residential...but having a disco of their own!

FS/KS1 disco takes place from 6.00 – 7.00pm: £2.00 entry – refreshments provided.

KS2 disco takes place from 7.15 – 8.15pm: £2.00 entry – refreshments available to purchase.

✚ F.O.L.S. DRESS DOWN DAY

Children are invited to come to school in non-uniform on Friday 31 March. In return FOLS are asking for donations of chocolate, 'bottles' and unused gifts that will make great prizes for the Bingo Night and for the Summer Fete.

✚ FUTURE EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

Family Bingo	: Friday 28 April
Children's Movie Night	: Thursday 11 May
Summer Fete	: Saturday 1 July

AND FINALLY...

The School Council are finalising plans for **Comic Relief**. They will be writing to you soon...

Yours faithfully

Mr J McCullough
Headteacher

DIARY DATES

Academic Year 2016/2017

GB Athlete, Clare Cunningham visit to our school	:	Monday 6 March
Y5/6 Lincolnshire County Council DT class	:	Monday 13 March, pm
Parent Consultations (Y3, Y4)	:	Tuesday 14 March, 1 – 7pm
Parent Consultations (Y5, Y6)	:	Tuesday 14 March, 3.30 – 7pm
Parent Consultations (FS, Y1, Y2)	:	Wednesday 15 March, 1 – 7pm
Parent Consultations (Y5, Y6)	:	Wed 15 March, 3.30 – 7pm
Y6 Volleyball competition at Spalding High	:	Tuesday 21 March
Y5 Bourne Grammar School Roadshow	:	Tuesday 21 March, 3.15pm
Y2 Multi-skills at Bourne Grammar School	:	Wednesday 22 March, am
Comic Relief Day	:	Friday 24 March
Y5 residential to Ironbridge	:	Tuesday 28 – Friday 31 March
FOLS Easter Disco	:	Thursday 30 March
FOLS Dress Down Day	:	Friday 31 March
Y4 residential to Stibbington	:	Wednesday 19 – 21 April
Tempest Class Photographs	:	Monday 24 April
SEN Progress Review meetings	:	Thursday 27 April
Y4 visit to Langtoft Church	:	Thursday 27 April, pm
F.O.L.S. Family Bingo Night	:	Friday 28 April
Y4 Class Assembly	:	Thursday 4 May, 9.15am
SATs week	:	week comm. Monday 8 May
F.O.L.S. Children's Movie Night	:	Thursday 11 May
Y6 Bikeability Week	:	week comm. Monday 22 May
Y5/6 Cricket Tournament	:	Wednesday 7 June
Y1 Class Assembly in church	:	Thursday 8 June, 9.30am
Deeping Sports Track Events at Langtoft	:	Tuesday 13 June, 4.00pm
Sports Day (KS1 10.00am, KS2 1.30pm)	:	Wednesday 14 June
Alternative Sports Day	:	Thursday 15 June
Y5/6 Rounders Tournament at Spalding High	:	Tuesday 27 June
Y5/6 Athletics Competition at Spalding High	:	Tuesday 4 July
FS Class Assembly	:	Thursday 13 July, 9.15am
Y6 Leavers' Assembly	:	Wednesday 19 July, 9.15am

TERM DATES

Academic Year 2016/2017

Term 4 Term ends: Friday 31 March 2017

Term 5 School opens: Tuesday 18 April 2017

Bank Holiday: Monday 1 May 2017

Term ends: Friday 26 May 2017

Term 6 School opens: Monday 5 June 2017
Term ends: Wednesday 19 July 2017

Academic Year 2017/2018

Term 1 **Staff Training Days:**
Friday 1 and Monday 4 September 2017
School opens: Tuesday 5 September 2017
Term ends: Friday 20 October 2017

Term 2 **Staff Training Day: Monday 30 October 2017**
School opens: Tuesday 31 October 2017
Term ends: Tuesday 19 December 2017

Term 3 **Staff Training Day: Tuesday 2 January 2018**
School opens: Wednesday 3 January 2018
Term ends: Friday 9 February 2018

Term 4 School opens: Monday 19 February 2018
Term ends: Wednesday 28 March 2018
Staff Training Day: Thursday 29 March 2018

Term 5 School opens: Monday 16 April 2018
Term ends: Friday 25 May 2018
Bank Holiday: Monday 7 May 2018

Term 6 School opens: Monday 4 June 2018
Term ends: Friday 20 July 2018