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# Langtoft Primary School

## Newsletter #126

### Term 1/Friday 5 October 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

We are enjoying a good start to the new school year. It is business as usual in the classrooms. This week we have reminded the children of our expectations on their behaviour when moving around the school building and what to do when they hear the bell ring at the end of a playtime.

I hope you were able to attend the *Curriculum Event* on Tuesday. The aim was to share with you an overview of what your child will be learning in their new class and how you could support this at home. Thank you for attending: there was a very high number of you in school.

We look forward to being able to update you on how well your child is working within the expectations we shared, especially with regard to homework, to reading and to attendance.

This will be done during Teacher/Parent Consultation appointments at the start of Term 2. **A letter is attached to this Newsletter** that you can print off and return to school to request an appointment with your child's teacher.



This year we are offering three Parent/Teacher Consultation appointments to our families: the traditional Autumn and Spring ones and an extra third one in Summer. If well attended and useful to you, we shall endeavour to offer the third appointment as a regular fixture in our annual school calendar.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL MEET THE NEW MEMBERS



Our new School Council has been elected and is pictured here, proudly wearing their all-new 'gold' badges. Each child in Y2 to Y6 was able to vote in an election for two children from their own class to represent them. This year, and in response to a point raised by a child, the children voted for two peers, irrelevant of their gender.

The School Council have a new role this year. That is to share with me the points

discussed during *Friday Free Speech*. Every other Friday, teachers in Y2 to Y6 will host a 15-minute session where the class can raise and discuss any issues that are bothering them. The ground rule is: no names are to be used and no moaning. The two Councillors from each class record the key points and bring them to me for further discussion as a council. Having met with the School Council already, I am impressed with the confident way in which they have shared the views of their classes with me. They have demonstrated that they can bring the views of others to the meeting without prejudice.

It is important to thank all of the children who put themselves forward for the role of School Council. I am pleased that so many of the children want to work on behalf of their class mates to make our school an even better place to learn and play.

## **MINI POLICE** 'WE'RE HERE TO HELP'

Democracy continues to play an important role in the decision-making of our school. This time in the form of electing our very first Lincolnshire Mini Police Force. The children in Y5 and Y6 were invited to present to the children in Y4 to Y6 a speech lasting no longer than one minute in which they persuaded the voters why they would make a great member of the mini police. 28 children put themselves (brilliant!) for the ten positions available. It was clear that each nominee had thought carefully about what they could offer. What a shame we could only choose ten of them.



Our mini police are pictured here with PCSO Michelle Laughton (far right) in their hi-vis jackets and caps. Their first task is to patrol the playground noting down examples of good behaviour and not-so-good behaviour to be shared in assembly on Fridays. In November they will be helping the school to promote national anti-bullying week before working with PCSO Michelle in the wider community to promote awareness of such issues as scamming and graffiti.

The mini police are elected to serve for two years.

# SCHOOL GAMES CROSS COUNTRY

This time last year I wrote of this competition: Never before have we had such brilliant results in the same competition. What a great result for our school. Well done to all of the children who took part and who contributed to the final positions.

I need to write something similar this year! Such brilliant results in the same competition. What a great result for our school. Well done to all of the children who took part and who contributed to the final positions.

**Year 5/6 Boys: Gold medal winners;** Charlie Janaway, William Burgess, Joseph Toulson, Archie Andrew, Jack Hammond, Freddie Fisk, Finlay Smith, Lewis Wingfield, Oscar Worrall and Tom Davis.



**Year 5/6 Girls: Silver medal winners;** Rihanna Chapman, Maya Sangiorgio, Heidi Goodley-Gray, Faye Scott, Emily Seaton, Lauren Brawn, Chloe Seaton, Isla Jenkins, Isabella Cunnington and Ruby Stokes.

**Year 3/4 Boys: Silver medal winners;** Harley Warner, Harry Burgess, Harry Baker, Aaron Sadler, Chester Cooper, Joseph Knowles, Herbie Hefferon, Dylan Baldock, Toby Twell and Aydan Feetham.



**Year 3/4 Girls: Silver medal winners;** Harper Graham, Lola Williams-Nolan, Savannah Luciano, Alicia Goodson, Faith Harwood, Freya Stewart, Jessica Hutchcraft, Eleanor Reedman, Lucy Preston and Rebecca Board

## CLASS ASSEMBLY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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.

Class	Date
Y6	Wednesday 7 November 2018
Y5	Wednesday 5 December 2018
Y4	Wednesday 8 May 2019
Y3	Wednesday 3 April 2019
Y2	Wednesday 6 February 2019
Y1	Wednesday 5 March 2019
FS	Wednesday 17 July 2019

- 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 seek permission for this from the school office on the day of the assembly. Video recordings are for private home use only and should not be shared with others or uploaded onto social media sites.

We look forward to welcoming you to our assemblies.

## THE GOLDEN BOOK OF GREATNESS SEPTEMBER 2018

Last month's entrants into *The Golden Book of Greatness* were:

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September 2018			
Jessica Gordon	Spencer Scrivens	Eva Neal	Olivia Upward
Alfie Price	Jack Hammond	Robin Gove	Aydan Feetham
Maisie Moulds	Harry Burgess	Aaron Sadler	George Jackson
Joseph Knowles	Matthew Bryan	Harley Warner	Eliza-Petal Adams
Lily Fletcher	Tallulah-Rose Williams-Nolan	Emily Gray	Astrid Fairhead- Abrahams
Noah Baldock	Layla Pasby		

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## OPEN DAYS

**Thursday 1 November 2018 and**

**Thursday 8 November 2018**

**Was your child born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015?**

If so, now is the time to be choosing a school for your child for September 2019.

You are welcome to visit our friendly school and see for yourself what we have to offer. We will be holding two open days starting at **9.30 am** on

**Thursday 1 November and Thursday 8 November 2018.**

Both sessions will be identical and will last approximately 1 – 1½ hours.

Please call us if you would like to attend one of the sessions. Our telephone number is 01778 343419 or you can email us at [enquiries@langtoft.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@langtoft.lincs.sch.uk)

We are closed for the half term holidays  
Monday 22 October – Friday 26 October 2018 inclusive.

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~ Learning for Life ~

**‘This school continues to be good.’** (Ofsted, 2017)

## **SAFEGUARDING** STAYING SAFE ONLINE

At our *Curriculum Event* on Tuesday, we laid out on table tops advice from our Safeguarding Governor, Mr Tony Upward, written to help parents/carers to help their children stay safe online. Many of you found the information to be of interest and so we have attached it to the email that carried this newsletter.

## **MYMATHS** ACCESSING ON iPADS



At our *Curriculum Event* we also issued log in details for your child to access MyMaths – an online maths homework platform. Those of you accessing the resource via an iPad have encountered difficulties because Flash player and Apple do not mix. By downloading the free Puffin Academy app (<https://itunes.apple.com/gb/app/puffin-academy/id716707933?mt=8>) and accessing MyMaths through the app, you should be able to gain access without any further issues.

## **NEW** HARVEST FESTIVALS

On **Thursday 18 October**, we shall be celebrating harvest by hosting two assemblies for parents/carers to enjoy. **At 9.15am** Foundation Stage and KS1 children will be hosting their harvest assembly in the school hall and at **2.15pm** it will be the turn of the KS2 children.

This year we shall continue to support the Peterborough Soup Kitchen (see below) and, at the request of the Rev. Carolyn Bailey, a local charity, LINC's Rural Support Network. Rev. Carolyn writes:

This year we thought we would support a local charity, LINC's Rural Support Network. This is a charity that supports all who live and work in rural areas, especially those in agricultural work. This year has been especially challenging: on top of the uncertainty around Brexit, there was weeks of torrential rain, and the snow at the beginning of the year followed by the drought-like conditions this summer. This year's crops have been badly affected as have the planting of crops for next year.

The Peterborough Soup Kitchen supports homeless and disadvantaged people in the city. The charity kindly requests the following items: **coffee, corned beef, jars of sandwich paste, tinned hotdogs, instant and tinned custard, tinned rice pudding, sugar, chocolate spread, fresh fruit (but not vegetables), crisps, cakes and biscuits,**

You are invited to support either or both of the charities. Donations for the Peterborough Soup Kitchen can be brought to school in 'hampers' (i.e. shoe boxes) or in bags. Donations



Peterborough Soup Kitchen  
Feeding the homeless and disadvantaged since 1983

to the LINC's Rural Support Network can be in the form of money presented in a sealed envelope. **We thank you in advance for your support and generosity.**

Please note that we can only provide up to a maximum of two chairs per family (not per child). Pushchairs and prams will need to be parked in the Main Entrance and parents/carers intending to video record the festivals will need to arrive in enough time to 'sign in' at the office. Thank you.

## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD INVITATION**

In your child's book bag today there is a leaflet giving information about a project called *Operation Christmas Child*. Mrs Knowles (parent of Joseph in Y4) will, for the third year running, be coordinating the project on behalf of Bourne Baptist Church. If you wish to put together a box of Christmas gifts to send to children throughout the world who, due to war, poverty, famine or natural disaster, would otherwise not receive a Christmas present, please bring your completed box to the Main Entrance of the school by Thursday 1st November at the latest. Mrs Knowles will collect them at the end of the school day on 1st November.

The leaflets give guidance about what can and cannot go into the boxes and include instructions on how to pack and wrap the completed package. Should you want any more information about the project or to show your children videos about where the presents go, please visit <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

## **OCTOBER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**WEDNESDAY 10 to FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER** Y6 residential visit to Kingswood. Yes! Mr Dolby, Mrs Smith and Mr McCullough to accompany.

**TUESDAY 16 OCTOBER** Tempest Photography will visit today to take photographs of individual children and of sibling groupings. Parents with pre-school children are welcome to come in to the hall between 8:30am and 8:50am for family group shots.

**THURSDAY 18 OCTOBER** Harvest Festivals in school hall. For the children in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 classes, the service will begin at 9:15am and for Key Stage 2 classes the start time is 2:15pm.

**THURSDAY 18 OCTOBER** Review of progress of pupils with special educational needs and disabilities with parents and teachers. Appointment times to be arranged nearer the time.

**FRIDAY 19 OCTOBER** End of Term 1.

**MONDAY 29 OCTOBER** School closed for staff training. This may be different for other schools so check if you have a child at another school.

**TUESDAY 30 OCTOBER** Term 2 begins.

Yours faithfully

**Mr J McCullough**  
**Headteacher**

### DIARY DATES

Y3/Y4 School Games Tag Rugby	Tuesday 9 October 2018
Y6 Kingswood Residential visit	Wednesday 10 to Friday 12 October
Tempest Photography	Tuesday 16 October, morning
Harvest Festival in school hall. Limited to two persons per child.	Thursday 18 October: Foundation/Key Stage 1, 9:15am and Key Stage 2, 2:15pm
F.O.L.S. Halloween Disco. This is a drop-off and pick-up event. KS2 children are invited to bring £2 to spend at the tuck shop.	Thursday 18 October 2018: FS/KS1 6:00 – 7:00pm, KS2 7:15 – 8:15pm
Progress Review meetings with parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities	Thursday 18 October, morning.
Term 1 ends	Friday 19 October
SCHOOL CLOSED Training Day	Monday 29 October
Term 2 begins	Tuesday 30 October at 8:55am
Parent/Teacher consultations (Autumn)	Tuesday 30 October and Thursday 1 November
Scholastic Book Fair	Wednesday 31 October to Tuesday 6 November, after school until 4:00pm
Progress Review meetings with parents of children for whom the school receives Pupil Premium	Thursday 1 November, morning
Open Day for parents of children starting school in September 2019	Thursday 1 and Thursday 8 November, 9:30am
Reading Workshop Part 2 for parents of children in the Foundation Stage class	<b>REVISED DATE:</b> Tuesday 6 November, 9:00am and 6:30pm
Y4 School Games Hockey Festival	Wednesday 14 November (by invitation)



Flu vaccinations for Foundation Stage to Y5	Tuesday 20 November
Progress Review meetings with parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities	Thursday 6 December, morning
F.O.L.S. Christmas Fayre in hall	Friday 7 December, 4:30 – 6:30pm
Foundation Stage/Key Stage 1 Christmas performance to parents/family. Limited to two persons per child.	Tuesday 11 December at 9:15am and Wednesday 12 December at 2:00pm
Key Stage 2 Carol Service in the church for parents and families	Wednesday 19 December at 10:00am.
Progress Review meetings with parents of children for whom the school receives Pupil Premium	Thursday 13 December, morning
M+M Productions present Peter Pan	Tuesday 18 December, morning
Term 2 ends	Wednesday 19 December
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SCHOOL CLOSED Training Day	Thursday 3 January
SCHOOL CLOSED Training Day	Friday 4 January
Term 3 begins	Monday 7 January
Progress Review meetings with parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities	Thursday 7 February
Progress Review meetings with parents of children for whom the school receives Pupil Premium	Thursday 14 February
Term 3 ends	Friday 15 February
Term 4 begins	Monday 25 February
Parent/Teacher consultations (Spring)	Tuesday 26 February and Thursday 28 February
Y5 Ironbridge residential visit	Wednesday 20 to Friday 22 March
Progress Review meetings with parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities	Thursday 28 March
Progress Review meetings with parents of children for whom the school receives Pupil Premium	Thursday 4 April
Term 4 ends	Friday 5 April

Term 5 begins	Tuesday 23 April
Y4 Stibbington residential visit	Wednesday 24 to Friday 26 April
Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs) for pupils in Y6	Monday 13 to Thursday 16 May, each morning
Progress Review meetings with parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities	Thursday 16 May
Sports Day	Wednesday 22 May, Foundation Stage/Key Stage 1 at 10:00am and Key Stage 2 at 1:15pm
Progress Review meetings with parents of children for whom the school receives Pupil Premium	Thursday 23 May
Term 5 ends	Friday 24 May
Term 6 begins	Monday 3 June
Y1 Phonics Screening Check	Week beginning 10 June
Deeping Sports	Thursday 13 June
Parent/Teacher consultations (Summer)	Tuesday 2 and Thursday 4 July. <b>TBC</b>
Progress Review meetings with parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities	Thursday 4 July
Progress Review meetings with parents of children for whom the school receives Pupil Premium	Thursday 11 July
Class Parties	Thurs 18 July, afternoon
Y6 Production – performance to families	Thursday 18 July, 7pm
Y6 Leavers' Assembly	Friday 19 July, 9:30am
Term 6 ends	Friday 19 July

## TERM DATES

### Academic Year 2018/2019

**Term 1** Term ends: Friday 19 October 2018

**Term 2** **Staff Training Day: Monday 29 October 2018**

School opens: Tuesday 30 October 2018  
Term ends: Wednesday 19 December 2018

**Term 3 Staff Training Days: Thursday 3 and Friday 4 January 2019**

School opens: Monday 7 January 2019  
Term ends: Friday 15 February 2019

**Term 4** School opens: Monday 25 February 2019  
Term ends: Friday 5 April 2019

**Term 5** **Bank holiday: Monday 22 April 2019**  
School opens: Tuesday 23 April 2019  
**Bank Holiday: Monday 6 May 2019**  
Term ends: Friday 24 May 2019

**Term 6** School opens: Monday 3 June 2019  
Term ends: Friday 19 July 2019

**Academic Year 2019/2020**

**Term 1** **Staff Training Days: Monday 2 September**  
**Tuesday 3 September 2019**  
School opens: Wednesday 4 September 2019  
Term ends: Friday 18 October 2019

**Term 2** **Staff Training Day: Monday 28 October 2019**  
School opens: Tuesday 29 October 2019  
Term ends: Thursday 19 December 2019

**Term 3** School opens: Monday 6 January 2020  
Term ends: Friday 14 February 2020

**Term 4** School opens: Monday 24 February 2020  
Term ends: Friday 3 April 2020

**Term 5** School opens: Monday 20 April 2020  
**Bank Holiday: Monday 4 May 2020**  
Term ends: Thursday 21 May 2020  
**Staff Training Day: Friday 22 May 2020**

**Term 6**      School opens:      Monday 1 June 2020  
Term ends:      Tuesday 21 July 2020