



A Warm Welcome Back

Welcome back to what has been a purposeful, calm and joyful start to the new school year. It has been wonderful to see our children return so positively and to welcome our new Reception pupils into the St Anne's family. They have settled in with such confidence and are already developing a wonderful sense of belonging within our school community.

As we begin a new year together, we are looking forward to continuing to help every child to shine their light. Our three core values of Compassion, Curiosity and Confidence will continue to underpin all that we do.

There is lots to look forward to this term, with many exciting opportunities for our children and the wider St Anne's community to learn, celebrate and spend time together. We hope that many of you will be able to join us at some of the events below. Please remember to check our Important Dates document regularly for the full list of events and activities taking place throughout the term.

Key September Dates for your Diary

Friday 18 September 8:30–9:15am

Macmillan Coffee Morning – School Hall

Please join us for our Macmillan Coffee Morning and help us raise money for this very worthwhile cause. All parents and carers are invited to come along for a coffee, cake and chat!

Donations of cakes and biscuits (No nuts please!), shop bought or homemade, would be warmly welcomed and can be dropped off at the office from **Thursday 17th September**.



On this day we are also inviting our children to come to school in non-uniform **'wearing something green'** for a suggested voluntary donation of £1.00 or £2.00 if you would like your child to receive a cake.

We are now operating as a 'cashless' school so please make donations (which will be sent direct to Macmillan) via our Just Giving page:

[St Anne' Macmillan Coffee Morning](#)

Friday 18 September 9:15am

Mental Health Support Team Parent Workshop – School Hall

An opportunity for parents and carers to find out more about supporting children's mental health and wellbeing. This session will be led by a member of the Mental Health Support Team from the NHS Lincolnshire Partnership. The aims for the workshop are:

- To understand what regulation and co-regulation means.
- Introduce skills used in supporting regulation.
- Discuss useful tools adults can use to understand and support regulation for the children in their care.
- Practice ways to be mindful.

Please see the attached flyer.

Wednesday 23 September 3:30–3:45pm

Meet the Teacher Sessions

All parents and pupils are warmly invited to come into school, meet your child's teacher and visit their classroom. Teachers will give a brief introduction to the expectations and routines for their class and the year ahead.

These sessions are intended as a whole-class introduction. If you have an individual question or concern about your child, please arrange a separate time to speak with the class teacher on a one-to-one basis.

Tuesday 29 September

Belton House – Whole-School Trip

We are delighted that the whole school will be visiting Belton House for a day of exploration, learning and fun together. This is a wonderful opportunity for our children to develop their curiosity, enjoy time with their friends and make some special memories together.

Friday 25 September

First Celebration Collective Worship of the Year 8:55-9:15 - School Hall

Invitations will be sent out next week to parents of pupils receiving the first certificates of the year, but all parents/relatives are warmly welcome to join us.

We are excited about the year ahead and all that we can achieve together as a school community. Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Let's make this a year in which every member of our St Anne's family has the confidence to shine their light.

Birthday Tradition

We are continuing with our birthday tradition of celebrating our sense of belonging at St Anne's. Children





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have the option to wear non-uniform to school on their birthday. It's a simple way for every pupil to have their special day recognised and to "shine their light" once a year.

Here's how it works:

- If your child's birthday falls on a weekday, they may wear non-uniform on that day.
- If their birthday is on a weekend, they can wear non-uniform on the Friday before.
- If their birthday is during a school holiday, they can wear non-uniform on the last day of term before the break.

This is entirely optional - if your child would prefer, they are very welcome to wear their school uniform instead.

Influenza Vaccinations

Influenza vaccinations for children take place on **Wednesday 7th October**. The annual vaccination is free and is a quick and simple spray up the nose. You will have received information directly from the Lincolnshire Community Healthy Services Team to give consent for your child to receive this.

Safeguarding – End of Day Collections

Please don't forget to ensure you have completed and returned a Collection form for your child/children so that class teachers have a record of who can collect your child at the end of the school day. If they are to be collected by someone not detailed on the collection form, you must email the office with a password that the person collecting should say to the class teacher.

Important Events

Please see attached a list of Important Events up until the Christmas break.

Attendance

If you need to take your child out of school during term time, please remember to complete an Absence Form which can be collected from the office or downloaded from our website. If the absence is for a doctor's, hospital or dental appointment a copy of the appointment letter should accompany the form.

Please note absences for any other time off school during term time (eg family holidays, birthdays, another family member's appointment etc) will be unauthorised unless the absence is considered 'exceptional'. Any unauthorised

absences of over 5 school days, whether this is cumulative or over separate occasions within a 10 week period will be subject to a fixed penalty fine being issued.

Term Dates

Term 1 ends on: **Friday 23rd October at 3.20pm.**

Term 2 begins on: **Monday 2nd November at 8.50am.**

Our full list of Term Dates for this academic year can be downloaded from our school website.

Y7 2027 Applications for Secondary School

If your child is due to start Secondary school next September please ensure you complete an application at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk Applications should be made by **Friday 31st October 2026.**

Reception 2027 Applications

Children born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023 are due to start Reception in September 2027. Parents can apply for a place at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk from **Wednesday 16th November 2026.** Applications should be made by **Wednesday 15th January 2027.**

Absence & Illness

Please can **all** absences be reported at the school office via telephone, email or parentmail (not via class dojo, adults in the playground or breakfast club staff). Please ensure you specify the nature of your child's illness, as 'unwell' or 'under the weather' are not sufficient to ensure our records are accurate. Please remember to keep children off school for **48 hours** after the last episode of sickness or diarrhoea to avoid passing on infections.

Free School Meals

If your financial situation has recently changed, you may find your child is entitled to Free School Meals based on benefits. Please visit [Free School Meals](#) to apply. Even if your child is in YR, Y1 or Y2 and gets lunch each day, it is still worth applying as you will be entitled to additional assistance in school.

