



# Newsletter 8

22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026



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## National Curriculum Tests

Our Year 6 children, along with Year 6 children across the country, undertook tests in reading, grammar, punctuation and spelling and mathematics last week. Well done to **all** our children who have worked extremely hard and fully applied themselves. We are very proud of you!

## Cultural Diversity Day: Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

What a wonderful way to end the half term with our Cultural Awareness Day celebration, a day filled with compassion, curiosity, confidence and opportunities to truly shine our light. This year, we focused on the continents of Africa and Asia, celebrating the many family backgrounds, cultures and traditions that make our school community so special.

The children approached the day with great curiosity and enthusiasm, learning about the cultures, traditions and languages of different countries around the world. In KS1, pupils explored China, Nepal and Sri Lanka, while KS2 focused on Nigeria, Zambia, Zimbabwe and Namibia. Through art, language activities, storytelling and food tasting, the children developed a deeper understanding and appreciation of one another's cultures.

It was wonderful to see the confidence of our children shining through as they proudly wore colours representing different countries and traditional dress, shared their learning and embraced new experiences throughout the day. Above all, the event reminded us of the importance of compassion, listening to and learning from one another, celebrating our differences and recognising the strength of our diverse community.

Thank you to all the parents and family members who joined us for our celebration worship at the end of the day. A special thank you goes to the families who generously gave their time to visit school, share information about their home countries and cultures, and provide delicious food for the children to experience and enjoy. Together, we truly saw our community shine its light.

## Change to the length of the School Day

A letter has been emailed to you this week confirming that the proposed change to the length of the school day. Has been approved.

Our finish time for **all children** will be **3:20pm from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026.**

## School Trips

Several class trips will be taking place next term.

- Y5/6 Residential Trip to PGL Little Canada, Isle of Wight, Mon 15<sup>th</sup> - Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Jun
- YR Trip to Sacrewell Farm, Tue 9<sup>th</sup> Jun
- Y1 Trip to Lincoln Zoo, Tue 23<sup>rd</sup> Jun
- Y2 Trip to Woolsthorpe Manor, Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Jun.
- Y5 Curriculum Enrichment Day, Walton, Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Jun.
- Y4/5 Theatre Workshop (in school), Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Jun

Letters for all these trips have been sent to parents. If you have not yet given consent/made payment, please do as soon as possible, so that your child may take part in these valuable learning visits/activities. Thank you for your support.

## Class Collective Worship

Don't forget to come along to our class Collective Worship next term. Parents and families of children in these classes are invited to join us on these dates. See below:-

- Year 6: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June, 8.55 - 9.15am
- Year 5: Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June, 8.55 - 9.15am
- Year 2: Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June, 8.55 - 9.15am
- Year 4: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 8.55 - 9.15am
- Year 1: Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July, 8.55 - 9.15am
- Year R: Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July, 8.55 - 9.15am

## Packed Lunch Days

Please note packed lunch menu only days have been arranged on a number of days next term:-

- Every Friday - Picnic Fridays
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June - YR26 Teddy Bear Picnic
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day

These are available to order from The Farm Kitchen, via your account, as usual. If your child normally brings their own packed lunch to school, please ensure they do this as normal on these days.

## Term Dates

Term 6 begins on: **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 8.50am.**

Term 6 ends on: **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 3.20pm.**

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

## Attendance

If you need to take your child out of school during term time, please remember to complete an Absence Form





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ahead of the absence taking place. Forms 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 (e.g. family holidays, birthdays, another family member's appointment etc) will be unauthorised unless the absence is considered 'exceptional'.

Any unauthorised absences of 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.

### Free School Meals Entitlement (FSM)

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 or contact the school office should you have any queries. 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.

### 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 diarrhea to avoid passing on infections.

Please use this helpful link for the NHS to check if your child can attend school or not: [Is my child too ill for school?](#)

### School Transport

If your child is starting primary school or transferring to secondary school in September 2026, they may be eligible for school transport. If you think your child is eligible please apply for transport as soon as possible. Early transport applications are encouraged to ensure that transport is in place in time for the start of the September term. Applications can be made online at the website below.

For more information about the home to school transport policy and online applications please go to [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-college-transport](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-college-transport).

Queries can be emailed to [schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk)

