

# Weekly Newsletter Friday 22nd March 2024



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#### Message from the Head of School

#### Parking outside the school

We have received a number of complaints from parents about parking on Kesteven Road being unsafe for the children before and after school. It is an offence to park in the section of road with

yellow zig zags lines. The complaints have been passed to the police who will be doing spot checks on parking.

Please also be considerate when parking on roads close to school, we have also received complaints that parents are parking and blocking residents access to driveways and public footpaths.

May we also remind you, parking is not available on the school site at any time, please do not drive onto the school site at any time unless you have prior permission.

If you notice poor parking or any hazards that you feel could impact on the safety of our pupils please report to the police/council directly if you have any concerns.

#### **Sports Report**

The Year 5/6 Football Team had a very busy week last week, playing St. Gilbert's on Tuesday then a Football Tournament at Malcolm Sargent on Thursday.

On Tuesday the Football Team lost to St. Gilbert's but all the children made us very proud as a school with their behaviour and tried their hardest! The result doesn't reflect the hard work every player put in.

Following this, they played in a football tournament on Thursday. The tournament consisted of 2 group stages to decide the finals. In our group the school played against Malcolm Sargent A, Malcolm Sargent B and Uffington. Throughout these games the team really let their light shine as they showcased their skills, hard work and most importantly their teamwork they have been working on and improving upon each week. As a school we couldn't have been prouder of the teams behaviour, attitude and resilience on the day.

Mr Ranson and Mr Theodore



#### **Year Four**

This week we have been continuing our Geography unit of work on 'Where does our food come from?' We started learning about fair trade and why it is important not only for the farmers but for our climate. Since then, we have discovered that food can come from countries all around the world. We have been using atlases and rulers to measure the food miles for the food we have been eating. We then had to use the scale to convert our measurements into kilometres.















# Science Week Good Work Awards—Week commencing Monday 18th March



Congratulations to the following children, who were awarded Good Work Awards for their science work during Friday's worship:

Reception— Evie and Oswald

Year 1— Phoebe and Kwame

Year 2— Reuben and Archie

Year 3— Tayah and Henry

Year 4— Felix and Grace

Year 5— Archie and Elyla

## **Decorate a hat for Easter**



This year as part of our Easter celebrations we are holding an Easter hat competition. We would like you to decorate a hat and bring it into school on the morning of Wednesday 27th March. It could be a beanie, bonnet, cap or made completely from scratch. Collective worship councillors will judge the entries. Hats will be worn to our Easter service where prizes will be awarded for each year group.

Good luck and we look forward to seeing your creations.

Collective worship councillors

#### **Brilliant Bookworms**



Thank you to all of our families who have supported our Brilliant Bookworms session this week. It was lovely to see many children enjoying reading with an adult.

The next Brilliant Bookworms session for Reception, Year 1 and 2 is Thursday 23rd May, 3pm-3.20pm. Parents and carers are invited to this session to spend some time sharing a book with your child. You are then able to take your child home with you when the session finishes.

## **Key Dates**

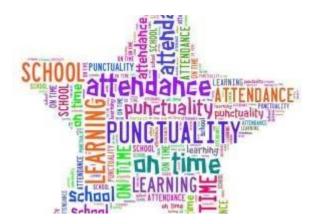


Wednesday 27th March - Parents Evening (no after school clubs on this day)

Wednesday 27th March - Church service for Pupils - wear an Easter Hat for the competition

Thursday 28th March - last day of Term 4

#### **Attendance**



Congratulations to Reception who have won our Attendance trophy this week.

Please see below for a breakdown of attendance across the school.

Reception—97.92%

Year 1-97.32%

Year 2—96.38%

Year 3-91.35%

Year 4-93.06%

Year 5-96.33%

Year 6-94.44%

Please note that registration closes at 8:55am. Children arriving after this time will be marked as late and will miss out on key learning.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/626669cb8fa8f523b7221b98/UKHSA-should-l-keepmy child off school guidance-A3-poster.pdf



#### Term 4 Value—Hope

This term our value is hope. We will be exploring hope in lessons and through our worship. Through this value children will express and reflect on a range of their own and other peoples' hopes. Each class will look at a particular theme of hope - hope for ourselves, families, friendships, environment, fairness, the whole world and our futures. The children can decide what they would hope for and consider what they could do to help to realise their hopes. We would like to promote hope for positive things.

Talk to your children at home about this value. Are there ways they can show this in activities they are taking part in outside of school? Teachers would love to know about how the children are demonstrating this value both at home or in other settings!

#### Psalm 28:7

The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him.

# St. George's Learning Together



This week at St George's Learning Together the families spent the afternoon at Forest School, exploring what learning nature has to offer.

St. George's Learning Together sessions are on Thursday's 1:15pm – 3:15pm

Term 5 dates:

Thursday 25th April

Thursday 2nd May

Thursday 9th May

Thursday 2nd May

<u>https://forms.gle/4jMZhpN5JyiLGFSJ9</u> please sign up here if you would like to take part with your child.





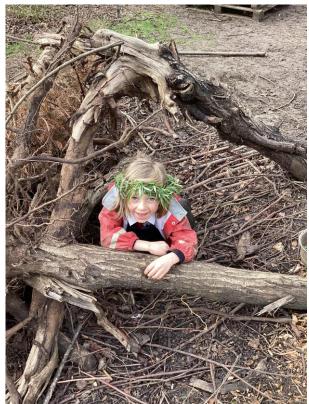
























# **Support for parents**



#### EDAN Lincs Domestic Abuse Service 01522 510041 https://edanlincs.org.uk/

Providing support and assistance to men, women and children suffering, or fleeing from domestic abuse in Lincolnshire

**Healthy Minds Lincolnshire** https://www.lpft.nhs.uk/young-people/lincolnshire/young-people/inced-more-help/healthy-minds-lincolnshire#<sup>1</sup>

Providing support and treatment for children, young people and their families, who are experiencing emotional wellbeing difficulties.

Place2be <a href="https://www.place2be.org.uk/">https://www.place2be.org.uk/</a>

Place2Be is a children's mental health charity working with pupils, families and staff in UK schools.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>https://www.lpft.nhs.uk/young-people/lincolnshire/young-people/i-need-more-help/healthy-minds-lincolnshire

#### MIND https://www.mind.org.uk/ 0300 123 3393

Providing support for people living with a mental health problem or supporting someone with a mental health problem.

Family Lives https://www.familylives.org.uk/ 0808 800 2222

Providing early intervention and crisis support to families.

#### Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum https://www.lincspcf.org.uk/

LPCF is specifically tasked with working alongside the Local Authority and Health to help ensure that the services they plan, commission, deliver and monitor meet the needs of children with Disabilities and Special Educational Needs. You will need to register with them for free before being able to access the resources and support.

#### **Online Safety**

My Family's Digital Toolkit has been created specifically for parents to find the right information to stay on top of their children's internet safety and help build healthy digital habits at home. My Family's Digital Toolkit - tailored online safety advice | Internet Matters<sup>2</sup>

#### How can I help my child think critically about the influencers they follow?

Supporting parents to have conversations with children about online influencers and finding positive role models within the online world.

Helping children think critically about online influencers | Internet Matters<sup>3</sup>

#### **Family Hub Free Online Course for Parents**

Free online courses for parents, grandparents, teens and carers have been made available through a paid partnership between Lincolnshire County Council and the Solihull Approach.

The courses for parents are designed to provide support through all stages of bringing up children, from pregnancy and birth to caring for toddlers up to teenagers. They include specific courses for teenagers, and for parents and carers of children with additional needs. Parents' courses can be accessed via: Family Hubs courses<sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>https://www.internetmatters.org/digital-family-

toolkit/?utm source=email Sprint 07 Dec PrimarySchool&utm medium=email&utm campaign=Schools&utm content= digital-life CTA SendHome MFDTK Link&step=1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/question/how-can-i-help-my-child-think-critically-about-the-social-media-influencers-they-follow/

#### **Household Support Fund**

The Government has announced that the Household Support Fund payments have now ceased. Lincolnshire EYPP and FSM eligible pupils will have received their final payment in December for the 2023/24 financial year and no further vouchers will need to be distributed.

You may find these links useful if you require further support:

- Citizens Advice Bureau <a href="https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/">https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/</a> where parents can input their postcode to access information regarding their local branch.
- The following link also provides specific information on help with paying bills <a href="https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/budgeting/budgeting/get-help-with-bills/">https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/budgeting/budgeting/get-help-with-bills/</a>.
- There is also information regarding local food banks which is available on the following website https://lincolnshirefoodpartnership.org<sup>5</sup>







2 - George's Food Hub is open at St. George's every Monday from 2:45pm until 4:15pm.

They will be based in the portacabin at the end of the car park, pop in to see what is on offer - all on a pay as you feel basis.

Please note, car parking will not be available on the school site.



After a technical blip, it has been necessary to create a brand new Facebook page. If you followed/liked the old page please unfollow that now and like our new page - <a href="https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61556518687266">https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61556518687266</a>.



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Website: www.st-georges-stamford.lincs.sch.uk<sup>6</sup>

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