

# Weekly Newsletter Friday 24th May 2024



## St. George's Church of England Primary School

### Message from the Head of School

The children thoroughly enjoyed our Pentecost service this week. Well done to our Collective Worship council for leading the service and thank you to Reverend Topham for supporting our pupils. We celebrated the ascension of Jesus into heaven and the giving of the Holy Spirit with Reception and Year One making windmills and candles to represent the wind and fire. Year Two read thoughtful prayers with Year Three, Five and Six sharing their version of 'Spirit in the Sky'. Year Four learnt how to say 'Let your Light shine' in a variety of different languages and we all finished with our school song 'City on a Hill'.

### 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 through 101 if you have any concerns.

### Smart Watches

Please remember that the children are not allowed to wear SMART watches in school. A watch that counts steps **only** is fine, but any smart watches/device that is able to send/receive calls or messages or take photographs is treated the same as mobile phones and are not allowed to be used on site.

Thank you to the emergency services who have visited our Reception class to teach them about their jobs. The children have loved it and gained from much from the first hand experiences.

**Year 3 and 4 football**

On Tuesday our Year 3 and 4 football team represented St. George's at the Football tournament. They were excellent ambassadors for our school and showed amazing teamwork. They showed great football tactics and skills. Everyone on the team was fully involved and showed great passing, goal keeper saves, goals and some extremely close shots. The team came 3rd place in the competition. Well done to all!

**Key stage 2 girls football**

Girls in Key stage 2 represented St George's in a football tournament at Borderville Sports centre this week. They showed great teamwork and determination to win two matches and draw one. They had great fun and really enjoyed themselves. Well done and thank you to the parental supporters.

Thank you to all our parents who attended the Brilliant Bookworms session this week,  
we hope you enjoyed sharing a story with your child.

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

Term 6 dates:

Thursday 13th June - Exploring the Natural World

Thursday 20th June - Encouraging Reading for Pleasure

Thursday 27th June - Practical Maths

Please follow the google form link below to sign up for any Learning Together sessions or you can telephone/ email the office staff to let them know you will attend.

<https://forms.gle/C8sr8tQhELXCymuv6>

If you have a child who will be starting with us in Reception in September 2024, we have some sessions available for parents and children. These sessions will be from 1:30pm to 2:30pm and will take place on:

Thursday 6th June *Focus on independence*

Thursday 4th July *Focus on Fine Motor Skills*

Thursday 11th July *Focus on School Readiness*

If you would like to take part with your child please follow the google link below to sign up for, or let the office staff know.

<https://forms.gle/iXY1RyDkrahY1DJ38>

#### **Year Five**

It has been another busy week in Year 5! We began our week with a very exciting virtual session with Liz Pichon - author of the much loved 'Tom Gates' books! Liz spoke about how she gets inspiration for each book and then we got the opportunity to doodle alongside her to create our own Tom Gates inspired diary covers.

We have also been busy scientists this week, specifically thinking about reversible and irreversible changes. We carried out some investigations to see if we could separate mixtures by filtering and sieving. It was lots of fun!

In history, we have been studying the Ancient Greeks and particularly how each city was governed. We have been learning about the different types of democracy and then we had to debate as a whole class focusing on the question - *'should every citizen over 18 have been allowed to vote on decisions and laws because they all lived in Athens?'*

Every single member of the class put forward their opinion and the debate was brilliantly carried out. Well done to all of Year 5 for your hard work this week!

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

Reception— Hattie and Isla

Year 1— Rosie and Oliver

Year 2— Elizabeth and Fable

Year 3— Yevgeniy and Bo

Year 4— Bella and Esther

Year 5— Brooke and Isabella

Year 6— Amelia and Cassie

Monday 3rd June - Back to school

Tuesday 4th June - Year 6 Church Schools Festival

Tuesday 11th June - Reception visit to Rutland Park Farm

Thursday 20th June - Sports morning

Tuesday 25th June - Year 5 Inspiring Scientist Day at Casterton College

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

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

Reception—100%

Year 1—95.42%

Year 2—91.30%

Year 3—92.95%

Year 4—93.15%

Year 5—99.33%

Year 6—97.92%

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-I-keep-my-child-off-school\\_guidance-A3-poster.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/626669cb8fa8f523b7221b98/UKHSA-should-I-keep-my-child-off-school_guidance-A3-poster.pdf)

**Term 4 Value—Dignity**

We show God's love to each other when we do something to help others. We can learn to show God's love to the people around us first. Dignity is one of the most important things to the human spirit. It means being valued and respected for what you are, what you believe in, and how you live your life. Treating other people with dignity means treating them the way we'd like to be treated ourselves.

**Genesis 1:27. So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.**

God loves all people: boys, girls, the elderly and young people, everywhere around the world. Each person is precious, unique and loved by God, because God made us, that means we are all very special, and very important, no matter where we live, what we look like or what we have. We are special because God made and loves us.



message from the Lincolnshire City Centre Learning

Malicious Communications has been an ongoing problem we have had in Lincolnshire for the last few years now. It is one of the top 5 crimes in which our 14-16 year olds have received a criminal conviction for. Online behaviour is something we talk regularly to children and young people about across the county within our online safety sessions. We want to also make sure parents are aware of these laws and the potential consequences our online behaviour can have in the real world, for our children's futures. We have attached a document which outlines the different laws regarding online behaviour, this is to accompany our video aimed at parents [Stay Safe Talks - Malicious Communications \(youtube.com\)/ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Akl9CgpP9t8We](#)

#### **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:

**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/i-need-more-help/healthy-minds-lincolnshire#>

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

**Place2Be** is a children's mental health charity working with pupils, families and staff in UK schools. Place2be <https://www.place2be.org.uk/>

**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](#)

#### **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](#)

#### **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](#)

**Free online courses for all parents, carers, grandparents and teens Nurturing emotional health and wellbeing from bump to 19+ years**

Lincolnshire County Council has partnered with the Solihull Approach to offer free access to expertly designed online courses for parents, carers, grandparents and teens living in the region.

Sign up to understand your child's feelings, as well as your own, as you go through life as a family. Learn to understand the changes in your child's development and how to support them, whilst also strengthening your relationship.

[www.solihullapproachparenting.com/online-courses-lincolnshire](http://www.solihullapproachparenting.com/online-courses-lincolnshire)

- Citizens Advice Bureau <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/> 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 <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/budgeting/budgeting/get-help-with-bills/>.
- There is also information regarding local food banks which is available on the following website <https://lincolnshirefoodpartnership.org>

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 - <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61556518687266>.

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