



Dear Parents

Message from Mrs Joyce, Acting Head of School

With the term coming to an end today, I would like to take the opportunity to thank parents for their understanding and continued support this term. We have appreciated the correspondence between home and school, allowing us to implement various measures over the term in response to the COVID cases. On our return to school on the 1st November, it is our intention to return to the routines we had at the start of the academic year. We will of course continue to be vigilant and review on a weekly basis.

I would like to congratulate all the children who chose to sit the 11+ entrance papers in September. I am pleased to say that all the children were successful- a 100% success rate! Well done to all of them. For our year 6 parents, please ensure that you complete the online application for your child's secondary school before October 31st 2021.

I hope that you all enjoy the October break, and as a staff, we look forward to the children's return next term.

<u>Attendance</u>

Our average attendance figure, for the week beginning 18th October 2021, was 82.9%. The percentage remains low due to isolating children and other seasonal illnesses. However we have welcomed back a number of our children this week and it has been lovely to see them returning to school. We have not had as many reported cases this week so fingers crossed for a happy and healthy half term for all and a positive start to Term 2!

Recommended Reads

Fancy a visit to Bourne Library this half term?







Bourne library is still open 9am-5pm Mondays, Wednesdays and 9am-1pm on Saturdays. You need to make an appointment to browse the books but can collect reserved books, and also return books, in the foyer without an appointment.

BORROWBOX FREE Online Library App



Information from the app – 'The BorrowBox app makes it easy to browse, borrow and listen to your library's eAudiobooks and eBooks anywhere, everywhere. If BorrowBox is available through your local library, you can simply login with your member details to access the library's collection of eAudiobooks and eBooks.

'Borrow Box – your library in one app. FREE.' ***Our closest 'online' library is Peterborough and accepts residents of Lincolnshire***



Year 2 Throne Design and Technology Sessions

This week, Year 2 have been continuing to look at self-supporting thrones as part of their design and technology lessons. Last week they created some brilliant prototypes and experimented with joining card in different ways. The children were brilliant at remembering the vocabulary for the different types of joins they were using. This week, they applied that knowledge to create their own throne for 'King Pup' (one of our class teddy bears!). Lots of the children's designs could support the teddy bear due to their hard work and perseverance. Some designs were so strong that they even held very thick atlases! Great work, Year 2.





Information for Year 4, 5 and 6 parents: Bourne Academy Virtual Open Evening

As well as holding an Open Evening which could be attended in person, Spalding Academy has created a Virtual Open Evening, which is now available to view on the following links. There are also links to all schools who are part of the South Lincolnshire Academies Trust as there are parents who have visited more than one school.

Bourne Academy Spalding Academy Giles Academy www.bourneacademy.org/bourne-academy-virtual-open-evening www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/spalding-academy-virtual-open-evening www.gilesacademy.co.uk/giles-academy-virtual-open-evening

PTFA - After School KS2 Christmas Craft Club

The PTFA are running a Christmas Craft Club for KS2 children in Term 2. It will run in the Year 3 classroom from 3.20 - 4.15pm on Tuesdays, for a 4 week block, starting on **16th November**.

There will be a cost of \pounds 10 per child for the duration of the club to cover the cost of materials. The children will be making a variety of Christmas decorations over the weeks.

There are 25 places available and they will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. This is a popular club so please do book early.

If your child is interested in joining us for 4 weeks of craft fun, please could you return the permission slip (found at the end of this newsletter) and payment in a named envelope to the School Office. Thank you.

Please email us on <u>thurlbyptfa@gmail.com</u> if you have any further questions.

Kind regards, Thurlby PTFA

<u> PTFA - Dare to be Different Day</u>

It's been lovely seeing our children choosing ways to be different today: crazy hair styles; painted faces and nails; brightly coloured socks and mix and match outfits.

Thank you to all our families for supporting this event and raising lots of money for our school.













<u>Lincoln's Pumpkin Trail</u> We have received the leaflet opposite promoting a family event happening in Lincoln over the next week.

It includes details about the <u>Lincoln</u> <u>Pumpkin Trail</u> which is now in its 4th year, and is a fantastic way to explore the Cathedral Quarter whilst uncovering some fascinating facts along the way!

For more things to do in Lincoln over the half term week, you can also visit their <u>events page</u>.



Spooktacular Half Term Fun - Lincoln's Pumpkin Trail Is Back

Families and friends can take part in a free challenge this October by following Lincoln's Pumpkin Trail. In its fourth year and with prizes on offer, the trail is a fantastic way for residents and visitors to explore the city's cobbled streets.

The Pumpkin Trail challenges families and friends with finding pumpkins hidden in the windows of shops and businesses along The Strait, Steep Hill and the Bailgate to just beyond Newport Arch. There will be a series of fun quiz questions to answer and facts to learn at each stop along the way.

This year's Pumpkin Trail runs from Saturday 17th October to Sunday 31st November . To take part, you can pick up a free map from the Visitor Information Centre or the shops and businesses involved, download and print the map at home or complete the trail online: <u>Visit Lincoln Pumpkin Trail</u>

Certificates and stickers are available for everyone who takes part. Participants who complete the full trail can enter the prize draw for the chance to win one of several great prizes including afternoon tea for two adults and two children at Bell's Tea Shop, a £10 pick-a-mix bag from Goodies of Lincoln, a bag of goodies from the Visitor Information Centre, autumnal treats from Coffee Bobbins and much more.

To enter the prize draw, completed quiz sheets should be posted into the Visitor Information Centre or submitted online at <u>visitlincoln.com</u> no later than 8th November. Winners will be announced on the 15th November



PTFA Pumpkin Hunt

We also have an exciting event close to home - don't forget to come along and support the PTFA Pumpkin Hunt on Sunday 31st October.

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Mrs H W Joyce Acting Head of School

Upcoming Calendar Dates

Sunday 31st October -

Monday 1st November -Friday 5th November -Monday 8th November -Monday 15th November -Tuesday 16th November -Tuesday 23rd NovemberYear 6 - Deadline to apply for secondary school transfer PTFA Halloween Pumpkin Hunt 1-3pm Start of Term 2 Year 5 - Bikeability Consent forms to be returned by today KS2 Dance Club starts today Reception 2022 entry - online system open for parents PTFA Christmas Craft Club starts today Flu vaccinations in school

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PTFA – KS2 Christmas Club

I would like my child to attend the PTFA Christmas Craft Club and enclose ± 10.00 .

Name:

Signed Parent/Guardian:

Payment can be made by cash or cheque (made payable to ThurlbyPTFA)

