



'Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.' Proverbs 22:6

12th December 2024

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

"From the first day of term to the last, the small moments in a school day make a real difference to your child."
#AttendanceCounts"

Next Week

Tomorrow – Celebration Assembly
Year 3/4 PE lessons
Year 5/6 PE lessons

Mon 16th Dec - Nativity Performance (2pm) Church*

Tues 17th Dec - Nativity Performance (10am) Church
Christmas Lunch
Christmas Jumper Day
No Infant PE lessons
Young Voices
Scamps Christmas Party

Wed 18th Dec - Pantomime Visit (8.45am arrival).
Coach departs at 9am.

Thur 19th Dec – No Piano and Guitar lessons
End of Term Service (1.30pm)*

*Children may be collected directly from church after the afternoon nativity and end of term service. We'll escort any uncollected pupils back to school and supervise them until 3.30pm.

Nativity

This year's nativity will be a traditional nativity retelling the story of the birth of Christ accompanied by some well loved traditional Christmas Carols. We do hope that you can join us for one of our performances which will be in the church as follows:

Monday 16th December (2pm)
Tuesday 17th December (10am)

Nativity Costumes

We have costumes for all pupils for the nativity. Mostly these will go over school uniform. Teachers have sent home slips with any specific requirements (eg – white tights for angels). Our second

performance on 17th December is also our Christmas Jumper Day. We are therefore asking pupils to bring their Christmas Jumper to school to put on after the morning performance.

Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day (Tuesday 17th December)

On 17th December, Good Lookin' Cookin' is serving a hot Christmas lunch. On this day, we all eat together, decorate tables, have party hats and crackers and encourage children to wear a Christmassy jumper. If children bring a pack up, they might like to have something special in their lunch. Don't feel obliged to buy a Christmas Jumper – why not decorate one you already have? In return for wearing a Christmas Jumper, we ask for a donation (up to £2 suggested but importantly whatever you can manage) towards School Council's Nominated Charity – The Little Princess Trust.

Don't forget – we also have a nativity performance that day.

Pantomime! Wednesday 18th December



PLEASE NOTE – THE COACH WILL DEPART AT 9AM (PROMPT). CHILDREN SHOULD ARRIVE AT 8.45AM THAT DAY.

PLEASE DO NOT ORDER A HOT MEAL THAT DAY – SEND IN A PACK UP INSTEAD.

THANK YOU FOSS FOR FUNDING THE COACH AND SWEETS FOR THE INTERVAL!

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End of Term Service (Thursday 19th December)

Thursday at 1.30pm will be our Christmas End of Term Service in the church.

Parents are very welcome to join us for this service which marks the end of term and celebrates the birth of Christ.

The service will finish by 2.30pm after which children can be collected from the church. We'll escort any uncollected pupils back to school and supervise them until 3.30pm

Young Voices

TRANSPORT

Tickets are booked and T-shirts are ordered. It is now time to sort out the transport for our Young Voices Choir to get to Sheffield.

This year, we have teamed up with Ingham School to share a coach to the venue, leaving school in the morning and arriving at Sheffield arena around lunchtime for an afternoon of rehearsals before the evening concert.

For the one way transport that we have booked, we ask payment of £9.60 per pupil to cover the cost of the coach. Please can this contribution be paid by Friday 13th December – please use the following bank details to make BACS payment:

Account Name: Lincolnshire County Council
Sort Code: 20-50-39
Account Number: 63509095

IMPORTANT: Please quote S36000 and your child's surname in the transaction reference e.g. S36000Hebborn

ON THE DAY

The big day of the Young Voices Concert will soon be here – 10th January 2025! After the Christmas Break, tickets that have been purchased for the event will be distributed to parents.

The links below provide all the information you need including what children should bring.

Please [click here](#) for parent information about arrangements including collecting children after the concert and parking at Sheffield Arena.

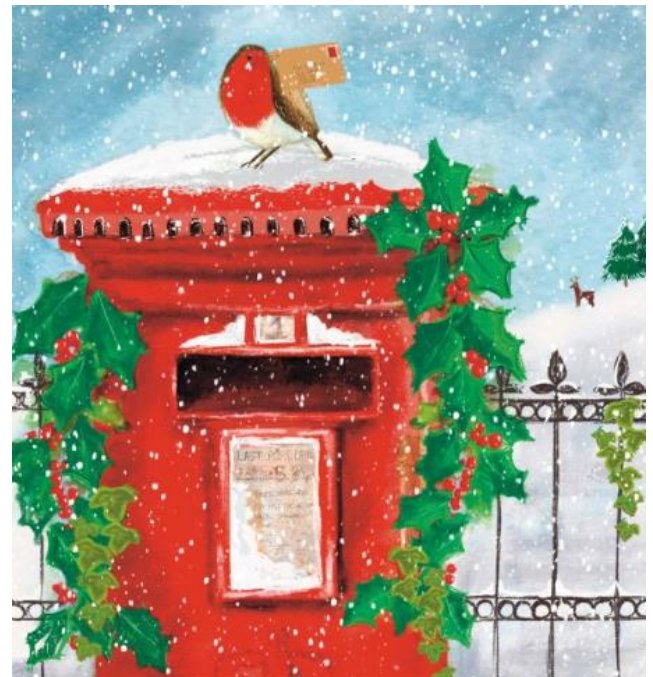
Please [click here](#) for a guide to share with your child to help them prepare for the day.

Young Voices have also provided this help sheet [click here](#) that also includes information about booking parking.

Bikeability

Year 5 pupils will be having their Bikeability Training on 7th and 8th January 2025 – the second and third day back after Christmas. If your child needs to borrow a bike and helmet – please let us know so that we can try and source one for you. If providing your own bike and helmet, please make sure they are roadworthy, ready for the training sessions.

Christmas Post Box



If children would like to send greeting cards to their friends, they can post them in our special Christmas Post Box in the school hall from where House Captains will make daily deliveries to classes. Please include first and last names on envelopes as well as the class name.

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Scampton Church Services

Christmas Eve at 4pm – Please join us for a family celebration of Christmas! We encourage all families to make a Christingle and bring it to the service to light during the service. Candles are available from school and in church – please take one. [Click here](#) to learn how to make your Christingle.



Scamps Christmas Party

The Scamps Christmas Party will take place on Tuesday 17th December after school. Places are limited to 20 children – please book soon to secure your child's place.

Please note – Young Voices will also be taking place that afternoon. It will be fine for children to join the party after the practice or attend the whole party if they wish.

Phonics Workshop

On Monday 13th January at 4.30pm there will be a workshop for parents led by Mrs Skelland and Mrs Hull explaining how we teach phonics and early reading in school with suggestions about how you can support your child at home. This will be most suitable for parents of children in Reception and Year 1. We can provide childcare during the session.

Lost Property

Lost property will be laid out at the front of the school at drop off and pick up next week. Unclaimed items will be recycled.

FOSS

Don't forget, you can raise money for the school by registering with Easy Fundraising ([click here](#)). When you make online purchases with many well known retailers via this site, the school receives a commission. These commissions really add up!

Holiday and Food Activities for the Christmas Break

Parents of pupils who are eligible for Free School Meals should have received an e-voucher for their child to attend a local holiday club during the Christmas Break. Please [click here](#) to find out how to book places.

Food vouchers have also been sent by email to eligible families. Please look out for the email!

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Attendance

New National Legislation for all schools has required a change to the school's Attendance Policy. This can be viewed by [clicking here](#). The legislation, rightly places greater emphasis on punctuality and ensuring good attendance to school. Late arrival to school after registers have closed may be considered an unauthorised absence. As such a new National Framework for Fixed Penalty Notices in respect of unauthorised absences has been established – a summary of this can be viewed by [clicking here](#).

Furthermore, it should be noted that the DfE does not consider a need or desire for a holiday or other leisure or recreational activity in term time to be an exceptional circumstance. At Scampton Church of England Primary School 'exceptional circumstances' will be interpreted as:

"... being of unique and significant emotional, educational or spiritual value to the child which outweighs the loss of teaching time (as determined by the headteacher). The fundamental principles for defining 'exceptional' are events that are "rare, significant, unavoidable and short". By 'unavoidable' we mean an event that could not reasonably be scheduled at another time, outside of school term time, regardless of parental profession or who has planned or paid for the holiday or absence (including grandparents or other family or friends)."

If you have difficulty getting your child to school, please let us know – we may be able to help you by for example putting you in touch with someone that can offer a lift.

If you are emailing us to report a child's absence or to inform us of an early collection, please can you use the enquiries@scampton.lincs.sch.uk email address. This email address is monitored most frequently and seen by multiple people so communicates such messages to everyone that needs to know quicker.



Our attendance and Punctuality Policy can be viewed by [clicking here](#)

Starting School in Reception September 2025

Please [click here](#) for information about starting school in September 2025.

The application window opens tomorrow!

Summary of important dates:

- 15 November 2024: online system opens for parents and carers
- 15 January 2025: national closing date for parents and carers to apply
- 16 April 2025: parents and carers are sent their offer letter via e-mail or post depending on how they applied.

Height and Weight Checks for children in Yr 6 and Reception

Next term, the School Nursing Team will be visiting school to carry out height and weight checks for children in Reception and Year 6. Please [click here](#) for more information about the programme.

If you do not want your child's height and weight to be measured, or your child has a medical condition that affects their height or weight, please contact the School Nursing Team by emailing BS_NCMP@lincolnshire.gov.uk or by calling the Single Point of Access (SPA) on 01522 843000.

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Dates for your diary

16th December – Nativity (afternoon performance)
17th December – Nativity (morning performance)
17th December – Christmas Meal and Jumper Day.
18th December – Pantomime Visit
19th December -Children break up for Christmas
6th January – Children return to school

Term Dates

Our term dates for the next few years are available to view by [clicking here](#).

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Little Bear Cubs



**Is your child due to start
school in September 2025?**

If they are, why not bring them to a fun play afternoon. It's usually on the last Monday of every month. It would give you the opportunity to get to know the school and the staff who work in the early years. Come and join us on the afternoons below.

Between 1.30 – 3.15 pm

Monday 25th November
Monday 27th January
Monday 24th February
Monday 24th March

If you have any questions please contact the school on 01522 730340

LINCOLN CATHEDRAL
FESTIVE FAMILY DAY
SAT 7 DEC, 10AM-3.30PM

THIS EVENT IS INCLUDED WITH YOUR CATHEDRAL ADMISSION

Christmas CRAFTS Make your own
Christingle

At the Table for the Nation
ALSO Take a Christmas Trail and enter the prize draw

MAKE
An advent wreath to take home

COLLAGE
A 3D Angel decoration

NATIVITY
Story times in the stable corner

Find out more about all of our Christmas activities, services and events at...
www.lincolncathedral.com

LINCOLN CATHEDRAL

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Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfoc>.

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