



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

11th September 2025



Windows, Mirrors and Doors

Now into our second week at school, we are so pleased at how the new school year is developing. All our new starters are settling in beautifully. Each day we gather together to celebrate being a school family and reflect on the wealth of experiences we learn from each day. We are starting to bring talk about our learning using the terms – 'Windows, Mirrors and Doors':

Windows: Giving pupils opportunities to become aware of the world in new ways. Learning about life in all its fullness. This includes both the things that amaze them and also challenge them.

Mirrors: Giving pupils opportunities to reflect upon their experiences. To meditate on life's big questions and to consider some possible answers. Learning from life, by exploring their own insights and perspectives and those of others.

Doors: Giving pupils opportunities to respond, to do something creative in order to express, apply and further develop their thoughts and convictions. Learning to live by putting into action their beliefs and values.

We hope in the weeks and months to come that children will begin to use this idea to enjoy the world around them, reflect and apply what they learn well.

We have so much planned for the year ahead. Please do take a few minutes each week to read through this update so that you don't miss anything!

Next Week

- Fri 12th Sep - Celebration Assembly
Junior PE Lessons
- Sat 13th Sep - 11+ VR Test at QEHS
- Mon 15th Sep – Y5/6 PE Lesson
- Wed 17th Sep - FOSS Meeting (6.30pm)
- Thur 18th Sep – Infant and Year 3/4 PE
Secondary Transfer Info session
(6.30pm online) – [click here](#)
- Fri 20th Sep - Closing date for School Council
Nominations
No Celebration Assembly
Junior PE Lessons

Secondary Transfer

No sooner have our Year 6 children started their last year at primary school – the Secondary Transfer window opens! On Monday, Year 6 pupils will have been given a letter regarding this. A copy can be read by [clicking here](#). To help you understand the process, Mr Hebborn will be giving a short presentation online on 18th September at 6.30pm when you can ask questions and hopefully gain some support for the process. [Click here to join](#). Local secondary schools will likely be holding open evenings in the next few weeks – we would encourage you to attend them.

The deadline to apply for a place in Year 7 for September 2026 is 31st October.

Open evenings that we are aware of (there will be more) are:

De Aston – 17th September
Lincoln Castle Academy – 24th September
William Farr – 25th September
Pembroke Academy – 18th September
Priory LSST – 2nd October
Queen Elizabeth High School – 15th October

Please check school websites for more information.

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Residential Visit

Our residential visit to Castleton is looming closer and we're getting excited! After school on Thursday 25th September we'll be having a drop in session for parents and pupils to discuss any final arrangements. We'll be writing to you in the next few days with kit list information and itinerary.

Importantly, we have an online form that we would be grateful if you could complete please for the contractor leading some of the activities during the visit. Please click the link below to complete for your child:

<https://forms.gle/Tzqtcx2WpTAtSDzt9>

Roles & Responsibilities

(eg House Captains, Early Years Prefects, School Council)

Children play an important part in leading our school. We'll soon be appointing and electing pupils into key roles. Year 6 pupils have been given application forms for Early Years Prefect posts and House Captain positions. Pupils from Year 1 to Year 6 have been given information about School Council Hustings and elections. Closing date for applications and nominations are next Friday – 19th September.

Music Lessons

We continue to work with the Lincolnshire Music Service (LMS) to provide whole class music lessons during curriculum time.

LMS can also arrange individual music lessons for pupils that would like their child to learn to play an instrument. These can be arranged directly with LMS. Please [click here](#) to find out more (including booking/cancellation deadlines and term times). For those pupils who have already booked lessons, these have now resumed.

Guitar lessons are provided by Mr Stephenson. His lessons have now resumed (Thursdays). If you would like to find out about guitar lessons, please contact him directly on 07969308975.

Bikeability

Pupils that have joined us this term will need to register for the training – please see the links below

for the forms which we'll need to send off to the contractor running the training as soon as possible.

Year 3/4 Bikeability – 17th October 2025

On 17th October our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils will have their Level 1 Bikeability Training – playground only.

Year 5 Bikeability – 20th and 21st October 2025

On 20th and 21st October our Year 5 pupils will have their Level 2 Bikeability Training (playground and road). We'll also include any Year 6 pupils who haven't already done the course.

Year 6 Bikeability – 8th December 2025

On 8th December our Year 6 pupils will have their Level 3 Bikeability Training (playground and road).

With the training just six weeks away, please ensure that your child's bike and helmet is in a safe condition. If you need help sourcing/borrowing a bike to use – please speak with the school office – we can hopefully help with that.

If, over the next few weeks you are changing your child's bike – please can you consider donating the old one to the school. It would be great to have a few bikes that we can lend out for Bikeability each year. We would be happy to arrange for them to be repaired/serviced and kept at school.

[Click here for the Year 3/4 \(Level 1\) consent form.](#)

[Click here for the Year 5 \(Level 2\) consent form.](#)

[Click here for the Year 6 \(Level 3\) consent form.](#)

Fluenz Vaccine

On 20th October, the School Nursing Service will be visiting school to administer the annual flu vaccine. This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and

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friends by preventing the spread of flu. Please [click here](#) to complete a consent or decline for your child(ren). Please complete at your earliest convenience as the online system for your school will be closed prior to the visit to allow for essential administration to take place. You will need to enter the following code to ensure the completed form can be correctly allocated to your child's school (SCAMPTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL): EE120585

Further information can be viewed by [clicking here](#).

Celebration Assemblies

For those new to the school – our weekly Celebration Assemblies on Friday mornings are an important part of our week. It's a chance to celebrate school and individual achievements. Families and friends are welcome to join us. Our first Celebration Assembly this year will be on 3rd October.

Nut Free School

WE ARE NOW A NUT FREE SCHOOL

Children who suffer from nut allergies can develop a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction. If someone has a nut allergy it is not just eating nuts that can cause a severe reaction, just being touched on the skin or smelling the breath of someone who has had nuts or a product containing nuts can trigger anaphylactic shock (which can cause breathing and swallowing difficulties).

First aid staff in the school are trained to use the Epi-pens (an injection of adrenalin) which is required immediately if this happens.

We cannot have nuts in school in any form. So please can we ask that you have no nut products in the lunch boxes or brought into the school as treats.

For example:
Peanut butter sandwiches
Chocolate spreads
Cereal bars
Some granola bars
Cakes that contain nuts

Biscuits / Cookies that contain nuts
Peanut butter cakes
Some Asian food, including satay
Sauces that contain nuts

This list is not exhaustive, so please check the packaging of products closely.

We appreciate that this is an additional thing to check but we know that you recognise the importance of it. We do have to insist we are a nut free school. If this was your child you would expect that we all help, especially as it is a life-threatening condition.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.

Student Update Forms

This month, the school will be transferring our school management information system to a new platform called Arbor. The new system will bring additional benefits including allowing parents to log in directly to update contact details and other information. In recent weeks, new starter parents will have given up to date student information and we hope that existing parents will have let us know any changes to contact and medical information too. We will therefore NOT be sending home student update forms as we usually do at the beginning of the new school year. Instead, once our new school management system is up and running, we'll be asking you to do this exercise online.

You can check what information we share with third parties by reading our Privacy Notice ([click here](#)).

Scampton Church

*We welcome you if you can sing like Pavarotti, or like many of us, can't carry a note in a bucket.
We welcome you if you're more Christian than the Archbishop of Canterbury or haven't been in a Church since little Albert's baptism! We extend a welcome to those who are over 60 but haven't grown up yet and teenagers who are growing up too fast.
We welcome tired mums (or dads,) football dads (or mums,) starving artists, those who work too hard or those that don't work at all. Those who are inked, pierced or both. Those who have just completed their PhD thesis and those who can't spell a word or whose who are just here because Granny is visiting and wants to come to Church! We welcome you if*

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you're having problems or you're down in the dumps or you don't like organised religion; we've been there too! We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, have had religion shoved down their throat as a kid, or got lost down the Lincolnshire lanes and wound up here by mistake! We welcome tourists, seekers, doubters and bleeding hearts.

WE WELCOME YOU!

Please see below for forthcoming services.

EVERY Monday	10am - House Communion - Revd Sue Deacon's house, Parsonage Lodge, Scampton
1 st Sunday of month	7 Sept, 5 Oct, 2 Nov 10.15 FAMILY SERVICE
3 rd Sunday of month	21 Sept, 19 Oct, 16 Nov 10.15 FAMILY COMMUNION + children's colouring/playing area (9.45am for coffee & pastries!)

Scampton Church Quiz Night – 15th November

Scamps News

Over the summer, the Scamps Team have worked hard to launch a new online booking system. Please [click here](#) to register children and make your bookings.

FOSS

FOSS do a fantastic job for our school both raising money and organising events that bring us together. The first meeting of this year will be on Wednesday at 6.30pm. Everyone is very welcome! The meeting will be in the school hall. Please enter through the side gate.

Don't forget – FOSS have a great range of pre-loved uniform that can be purchased by either messaging through the Facebook Page or emailing foss@scampton.lincs.sch.uk.

Recycle – reuse – help the environment!

You can also purchase new uniform supplies directly from Uniform Direct. Please [click here](#) to see the range of logo products available.

Parents also find MY NAME TAGS a great way to label clothing, lunchboxes, waterbottles etc. Go to www.mynametags.com to order yours. If you use the School ID 30023, the school gets a commission too.

School Meal Orders

School meal orders must be placed online by 10am on the Thursday before the week meals are required.

New starters to the school will need to register with Good Lookin Cookin via their website ([click here](#)) after which they can then place meal orders.

The school pays for Infant School Meals from a grant we receive – the size of which is based on school meal uptake on two key census days each year. We would therefore encourage ALL INFANT PUPILS to have a meal ordered on 2nd October (census day) to ensure the school receives the highest level of grant. For days that children bring in a pack up – please make sure that meals are not ordered as the school still has to pay for meals ordered and not taken. More importantly, it avoids food waste.

Early Years Outdoor Area Project



Our school is currently one of the nominated charities for which dividends from purchases at the Welton Co-op will be shared. When you use your Dividend Card at the Welton Co-op – a small amount of each sale is then distributed to nominated charities – our Early Years Playground Project will be one of those being supported. Work begins on 13th October!

Dates for your diary

13th Sep - First 11+ test at QEHS
17th Sep - FOSS meeting (6pm)
18th Sep - Secondary Transfer mtg for Y6 parents (6.30pm online)
20th Sep - Second 11+ tests at QEHS

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22nd Sep - School Council Hustings This Week
25th Sep - Residential Visit Parents Mtg (3.30pm)
26th Sep - School Council Elections
29th Sep - Little Bear Cubs
3rd Oct - First Celebration Assembly of the year.
6th – 8th Oct -YHA Castleton Res Visit
10th Oct -11+ results informed to parents
13th Oct - Works begin on EYFS playground
15th Oct - School Photos (individual) (pm)
17th Oct - Year 3/4 Bikeability.
20th/21st Oct -Year 5 Bikeability
20th Oct - Fluenz Vaccinations (all year groups)
23rd Oct - Harvest Festival (9.30am)
23rd Oct - Break up for Half Term
24th October – 31st October – HALF TERM
14th Nov - Children in Need Day
17th Nov - Admissions window opens for YR Sep 26
(Closes 15th Jan 26)
24th Nov - Little Bear Cubs
8th/9th Dec - Y6 Bikeability (TBC)
16th Dec - Nativity morning performance to parents
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18th Dec – School visit to pantomime in Scunthorpe
19th Dec - Last day of term (service at 1.30pm)
20th Dec – 4th Jan – Christmas Break
6th Jan 2026 – CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

Term Dates

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



Attendance

(Fines will be issued by LCC from September 2025)

For the last year you will have noticed a drive on our part to encourage parents **NOT** to take children out of school for holidays during term time. We have shared with you on multiple occasions the Lincolnshire County Council attendance policy adopted by the school which is very clear that taking children out of school during term time for a family holiday is not acceptable (regardless of parents' occupations including armed forces and farming). The legal framework and advice from the Local Authority states that: 'We understand that some employers may

restrict when holidays can be taken, and that travel costs can vary significantly throughout the year. However, **neither of these factors constitutes an exceptional circumstance**, according to guidance from the Department for Education, **Working together to improve school attendance (applies from 19 August 2024)** and **Resources for families | Children's Commissioner for England** and therefore cannot be considered, as a valid reason for authorising term-time leave.'

To date, there have been no fines issued to parents at this school however increased pressure from the Local Authority to reduce the number of holidays taken during term time and improve attendance overall means that with effect from September 2025, when pupils have ten or more **unauthorised** absences (equivalent to five days) during a rolling ten week period, **a fixed penalty notice will be issued by the Local Authority to each parent of each pupil.**

Each half day session (morning/afternoon) counts as an absence, hence 5 days = 10 sessions.

Example:

Within a ten week period, a child who has had two days unauthorised absences on one week and then another three days unauthorised absences over the next nine weeks (even if not consecutive days) will be liable for a fine of £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days, or £160 if paid within 28 days.

It is now generally required of all maintained schools to follow this practice. **Fines are not administered by the school nor does the school receive any revenue from fines.**

There are very few reasons other than illness or attending medical appointments that can be classed as authorised absences.

Please [click here](#) to read the school's attendance policy.

Relationships with parents are very important to us and we realise that issuing a fine may well not be welcome when it occurs however we hope that you will understand our position in this matter.

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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://qrcd.de/minfec>.

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