



14th October 2021

We were so pleased to welcome parents to the school this morning so at last you could see what we're getting up to in school after all this time when access into school has been increasingly restricted. We enjoyed speaking with you all and hope that you got a little more insight into how we teach Phonics, Maths, English and what our playtimes look like.

Thank you to our House Captains who did a great job giving guided tours and to FOSS for arranging refreshments. We are regularly adding posts to our school blog which is the best way to see what we are getting up to each week:

www.scamptonnews2021.wordpress.com

Do come to our Celebration Assembly tomorrow and find out more about this week's learning. It is outside to keep everyone safe and healthy so bring a coat.

Friday Celebration Assemblies for the time being are weather dependent as taking place on the school playground. Please assume that they are taking place first thing on Fridays unless we send you a text to let you know otherwise. Don't forget to bring your own cup for coffee being sold by FOSS.

Our school hall is very small with a low ceiling. It seems sensible not to be using it for 'events' involving the whole school family yet!

Harvest Pumpkin Hunt THIS WEEKEND!

On Saturday and Sunday there will be a number of pumpkins hidden around the village for children and their families to find. Each pumpkin has a letter for you to make a note of which when all put together will make a word. Find the word and post your entry through the school letter box (or bring it with you on Monday) and you might be one of the lucky winners in a prize draw taking place at the Harvest Festival.

You will need a map and entry form which can be bought at school on Friday or available to buy at The Dambusters Inn over the weekend if you forget your money tomorrow. **ENTRY FORMS £1**

Children need to be accompanied on the hunt by an adult. Please do not move the pumpkins – just make a note of the letter.

Harvest Festival

Our service on Thursday at 9.30am will include songs and prayers from each class and as before we'll be donating food that children will have brought in to foodbank charities.

It being our first venture into an indoor space with children and parents, we are asking that just one parent/adult per family joins us on this occasion so we can learn from the event with the hope of increasing capacity for future events such as the Nativity. Pre-school siblings will of course be welcome too. The service will start after children have been registered in school and led to the church as a class. We think it will be about 9.30am.

We are asking that pupils bring in to school donations of non perishable food (tins, dried food etc.). We will send this food both to the Lincoln Community Larder and to the 'Love Your Neighbour' Scheme operated by St Swithin's Church. More information about the Love your Neighbour Scheme is below:

Love Your Neighbour is the social response of St Swithin's Lincoln to the Covid-19 pandemic. Complementing the work of Foodbank and others in the city, it launched an emergency food and supplies depot to get essential provisions delivered to those in need. In particular it has partnered with several schools in the city to ensure that the most vulnerable families receive regular food parcels. Since the start of the pandemic, the team has created and delivered over 4,000 food parcels and created thousands of kids crafts.

At present they are in urgent need of the following food items which is what will be passed on to them from the donations that are received. All other items will go to Lincoln Community Larder:

Cereals
UHT Milk
Fruit Juice
Squash
Rice
Pasta
Meal sauces
Biscuits



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Thank you to everyone who helped at the maintenance morning last Saturday. The front of school looks great! Many more events are planned in the coming weeks and months including:

School Uniform Recycling sales (with Krispy Crème Doughnuts too!) – first sale – 5th November.

Christmas Cards made with your child's artwork.

Wreath making workshop (8th December)

'Break the Rules Day'

Harvest Pumpkin Hunt (16th/17th October)

Carols in the Woods (TBC)

Wine Tasting (...for adults!)

...and lots, lots more!



Little Bear Cubs



Is your child due to start school in September 2022?

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 27th September
Monday 18th October
Monday 29th November
Monday 31st January
Monday 28th February
Monday 28th March
Monday 25th April

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

The next Little Bear Cubs Session is This Monday. If you have, or know someone who has, a child due to start school in September 2022 – we would be delighted for them to come.

Secondary School Admissions

Applications for a Secondary School places close on 31st October 2021. This is for pupils who are currently in Year 6. Applications should be made online using [this link](#) where more details about the application process can be found.

School Photos

The school photographer will be in school on Monday afternoon. We'll do our best to keep children and their uniforms clean throughout the day so they are looking their best when they have their photo taken. We cannot share hairbrushes, so if you think a quick brush is going to be needed – please send one in.

If you would like a family photo taken to include pre-school siblings whilst the photographer is here, please call the school office.

Year 3 and 4 will have their PE lesson on Tuesday rather than Monday next week so please make sure children are in uniform on Monday.

PE Kits

Just a polite reminder that PE kits should include a PLAIN black tracksuit. Tracksuit tops or black sweatshirts should NOT have slogans or other print on them (a small logo of the manufacturer is acceptable).

Bottle Tops

As you may know, School Council have chosen Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance as their nominated charity this year. One way of helping is to bring in plastic milk carton lids. These it would seem have a value to the charity so we would like to send them as many as possible this year.

Lost Property – Last chance!

Lost property dating back to pre-pandemic times has been laid out on the front bench for the last week. Anything unclaimed by the end of tomorrow will be appropriately recycled.

Please, please, please label your children's things and regularly check that the label hasn't faded or come off after washing.

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Dates for your diary

PLEASE REMEMBER – CHILDREN BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM NEXT THURSDAY 21ST OCTOBER. 22ND OCTOBER IS A STAFF TRAINING DAY.

The following dates will be kept under review as regards any changes that may be necessary due to local and national COVID19 circumstances. Our hope of course is for everything to go ahead as planned provided it is safe and sensible to do so.

The following dates may be subject to change so at this point intended as a guide.

18 th Oct -	Individual Photos
18 th Oct -	Little Bear Cubs
21 st Oct -	Harvest Festival
21 st Oct -	Break up or half term
1 st Nov -	Children return from half term
11 th Nov -	Remembrance Event at RAF Scampton
29 th Nov -	Little Bear Cubs
8 th Dec -	Wreath Making Workshop (FOSS)
14 th /15 th Dec-	Nativity performances
16 th Dec -	Pantomime Visit
17 th Dec -	Last Day of Term

Morrisons 'Let's Grow' Vouchers

We are collecting Morrisons Let's Grow Vouchers. If you have any you can pass to the school, please send them in. We have a collection box outside the school office.

Don't forget - you can still help FOSS with their fundraising in the following ways:

Register with Easy Fundraising:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/scampton-school/>

When you make online purchases with many well known retailers via this site, the school receives a commission. These commissions really add up!

We're also now registered with Amazon Smile. When making Amazon purchases through the following link, the school will receive 0.5% of the purchase price of goods at no cost to you.

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1059158-0>

Another useful purchase for which we receive a 24% commission is to buy nametags through www.mynametags.com and quote our school code – 30023.

Operation Christmas Child

At our Harvest Service next week, children will find out a little more about Operation Christmas Child – an opportunity to send a shoe box filled with small gifts to a child in need somewhere in the world. We'll be sending out more information next week.

It is not necessary to buy a pre printed box – actual shoe boxes, wrapped as a present are perfect. In case children want to start filling a printed box over half term, School Council members will be selling them before and after school next week and at the Harvest Service.

[Click here for more information.](#)



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