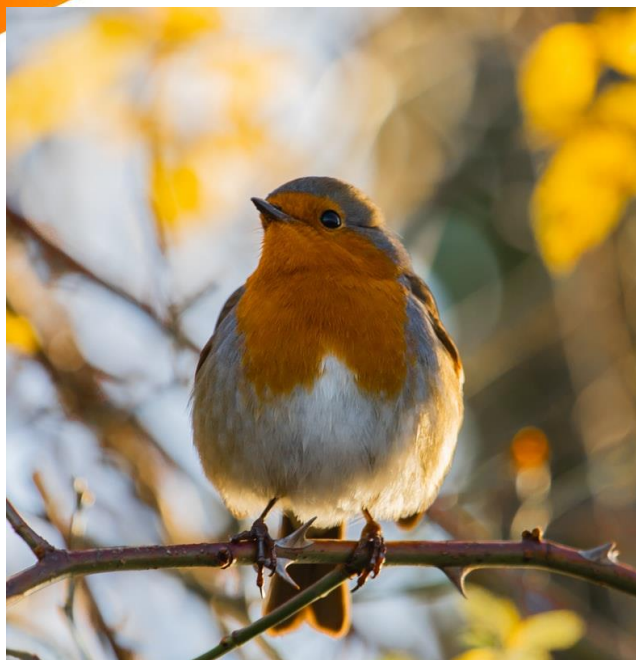




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Photographic Competition

Next Friday, our environment day will include a photo gallery of all the photographs that have been sent in for School Council's Photograph Competition. Please either send in your child's photograph entry printed out or email it to school.council@scampton.lincs.sch.uk and it can be printed out in school ready for display. Photos should be submitted by Wednesday 9th February please.



Environment Day Friday 11th February

Next Friday, we'll be spending much of the day outside enjoying our beautiful school grounds, learning about it and caring for the environment. We'll begin with an assembly as usual after which we'll be

planting trees, planting a 'Jubilee Hedgerow', making birdfeeders, bug hotels and preparing for springtime.

Junior classes will still be having their PE lessons – warm PE kits for all plus warm coats, gloves and a change of shoes (eg wellies or sturdy shoes) will be the best attire for the day.

If you are willing to lend a spade or trowel for the day that would be greatly appreciated – please label it so that it can be returned to you at the end of the day.

Break the Rules Day - Thursday

FOSS have asked School Council for some rules they might like to break in return for a donation (or 'fine') towards their fundraising efforts for the school. Children have been given a list of possible rules to break and can choose up to four of them to break. The fine for each rule broken is 50p. Please complete and bring in this slip showing the rules your child is breaking on that day along with the 'fine'. Please be assured - we'll be teaching children the importance of rules in keeping everyone safe and happy. Everything else that day will very much be 'business as usual'.

After School, FOSS will be holding a uniform sale – a great opportunity to buy uniform items at a great price and support the environment by recycling.



COVID update

Earlier this week saw a number of positive cases in school and amongst some families. Thankfully, this seems to have been contained thanks to the vigilance of families correctly identifying the virus and isolating.

There also seems to be a cold going round in school too – it is impossible to distinguish between the cold and COVID symptoms. The correct way to know if your child has COVID or a cold is by getting a PCR

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test and isolating until the result has been received. It remains the case that **lateral flow** tests are to detect asymptomatic cases and not to confirm symptomatic infections.

We continue to recommend regular testing of children to help identify and isolate asymptomatic cases to prevent further spread in school.

We will review our protocols in line with any new guidance that is issued to schools by the DfE. Most protocols reviewed at the beginning of term currently remain unchanged and we thank you for continuing to support the existing measures we have in place at school to help prevent the spread of COVID in our school community. Please continue to be alert to symptoms and act with caution when you have had contact with someone with the infection.

Further information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19 is available by clicking here.



School Transport

If your child is transferring to secondary school in September 2022 they may be eligible for school transport. If you think your child is eligible please apply for transport as soon as you have your offer of a school place.

Applications can be made online at the website below or a telephone application can be made by contacting the Customer Service Centre on 01522 782020.

For more information about the home to school transport policy and online applications please go to www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-college-transport. Queries can be emailed to schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk.

Pupil Voice

School Council have their own email address that is being regularly monitored for children to use to suggest things that children would like discussed at School Council Meetings. There is also a suggestion box in school.

If children have concerns that are more of a personal or safeguarding nature, we encourage them to approach a member of staff or use the worry box located outside Mr Hebborn's office. We regularly deliver safeguarding sessions to give children the confidence to a trusted adult and information about childline – 08001111.

Scamps

Users of Scamps will have noticed that it is not possible to cancel bookings online. This is something that has to be done manually by Scamps staff. The best way to let Scamps know that a booking needs to be cancelled is to email scamps@scampton.lincs.sch.uk or send a text to 07821134400. Both are monitored throughout the day.

11+ Testing

Parents of pupils in Year 5 may wish to register their child to take the 11+ test for entry to a grammar school. Please also read the attached letter (click here) for more information about this.

To register for your child to take the 11+ test, please click here.



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Term Date Change (due to Platinum Jubilee)

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee means that there is an extra Bank Holiday this year which falls in the existing Half Term Break (Thursday 2nd June). Lincolnshire County Council has therefore amended its recommended term dates so that pupils return to school after Easter on Wednesday 20th April (not Tuesday 19th April) to account for the extra day (ie pupils attend school for 189 days rather than 190 days this year due to the extra Bank Holiday). This has been updated on the school website.

Celebration Assemblies

Friday assemblies continue to be held outside on the school playground (including our daily assemblies). In these winter months, decisions are made on a daily basis as to whether assembly will be moved online. We expect Celebration Assembly to take place as usual tomorrow.



Reporting a child's absence

We thank parents for notifying us in good time of a child's absence. It is important that if a child is not at school that we know they are safe.

We welcome notification of absence by phone or email. If emailing, please use the school email address - enquiries@scampton.lincs.sch.uk rather than an individual staff member's email address, that way everyone that needs to know can be alerted straight away.



Dates for your diary

10th February – Break the Rules Day
11th February – Environment Day
14th – 18th Feb – Half Term
28th February – Little Bear Cubs
1st March – Secondary Offers made to Y6 parents
3rd March – World Book Day
11th January – Full Governors Meeting
15th March – Full Governors Meeting
18th March – Red Nose Day
28th March – Little Bear Cubs
30/31st March – Year 5 Bikeability Training
31st March – 19th April – EASTER BREAK
26th April – Full Governors Meeting
9th – 13th May – Year 6 SATs week
27th May – Sports Day
12th July – Full Governors Meeting
15th July – Sausage and Song
22nd July – Last day of Summer Term

Don't forget to follow our blog ([click here](#)):

We hope that the pictures in this week's newsletter will give some inspiration for our photographic competition. We look forward to sharing with you the competition entries that are sent in.

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