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11th September 2023

Welcome Back!

It has been a true delight to welcome everyone back to a new school year and particularly to welcome all new starters to our school family. Our thanks to FOSS for providing a barbecue and refreshments at the get together last Sunday that eased us back in after a few weeks away.

This is the first newsletter of the school year. We'll continue to send these by email every Thursday to keep you updated on school events and help you prepare for the following week.

There has been a lot happening in school over the break including the installation of a new heating system, new windows and some new IT equipment. We're excited to have the go ahead for our new reflective garden for which work will begin in January.

Our first activity on Wednesday was a tree planting ceremony with our new Reception children. They helped plant a tree that we hope will grow and flourish over the next few years alongside them. We talked about the help and support needed to make that happen – we promise to provide the best help and support to our pupils and each other so that we can all flourish too.

There are many significant things happening in our world today from climate change to wars. Our children will be the leaders of the future – our theologically rooted vision is therefore important for us all:

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

We are looking forward to sharing another great year with you. If you wanted a reminder of what we got up to last year, please click on the link below:

[Click here to see our video review of the year.](#)

PE Days

Classes will be having PE lessons on these days:

Infants – Tuesday
Year 3/4 – Monday and Friday
Year 5/6 – Wednesday and Friday

Children may come to school on these days in PE kit.

Sports Clubs

On Tuesdays and Fridays, Premier Sports will be running multi-sport clubs for children to attend from 3.30pm until 4.30pm.

These clubs will run in Terms 1,4,5 and 6.

Tuesdays – Infant multisport club
Fridays – Junior multisport club

Clubs will start from 19th September. A contribution of £2 per week, payable for the total number of sessions each half term is requested (£10 for the five sessions till this half term).

There is a maximum of 20 places available for each club, allocated on a first come first served basis – [please use this online form \(click here\) to book your child's place.](#)

Music

We are really excited that the County Music Service will be delivering music lessons to all classes each week. In addition, for a charge, we'll be able to offer individual music lessons to pupils for a range of instruments. After Christmas, we hope to have an extra curricular music group called 'Mash Up Jam' too!

Mr Stephenson continues to offer weekly guitar lessons in school and has places available.

If you would like your child to learn a musical instrument – strings, woodwind, brass or percussion, please let us know and we'll try and source a tutor for this through the County Music Service. We can tell you about costs and loan instruments and discuss pupil readiness. For families entitled to certain benefits, costs for this can be heavily discounted.

Residential Visit

Our Year 5/6 pupils depart for their residential visit to YHA Castleton on Wednesday morning from Ingham Village Hall (please arrive from 9am after dropping any siblings off at Scampton) – we'll not leave without you!

Medication and consent forms were sent home last week. These must be returned by Tuesday please along with any medication that you are sending.

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Flu Vaccination

On October 11th, the school nursing team will be visiting school to administer the Fluenz Vaccine. It is necessary to complete an online consent for this to happen. Please [click here](#) to read the letter from the team which contains the link to the online form.

School Meals

The deadline to order school meals for the following week is 10am on Thursdays. Infant children are entitled to a free school meal – please only order a meal if your child is going to be having the meal otherwise the school will be paying for meals that are not being eaten and a lot of food goes to waste. [Click here](#) to register and select meals for your child.

Paid meals for junior children cost £2.40 per day.

Secondary Transfer Meeting

We thought that this year it may be helpful to parents (especially in Year 6) for us to speak with you about the secondary transfer process – how and when to apply as well as to share past experiences. We are therefore doing a short virtual presentation at 6pm on 20th September when we will discuss this matter. Applications for a place at secondary school for September 2024 must be made by 31st October 2023.

This meeting will be held via Google Meet. [Please click here to join.](#)

Celebration Assemblies

Our first Celebration Assembly of the year will be on 29th September. Our Celebration Assemblies take place every Friday morning just after drop off when we celebrate the many achievements of pupils and share a song and a prayer. FOSS provide morning coffee. Our first Celebration Assembly will finish with a bulb planting session to add to the daffodil display we enjoyed last year, remembering Mrs Hobday.

Student Update Forms

Today, pupils came home with a student update form in a named envelope. This form shows the information we hold about you and your child on our school management system. Please take a few minutes to look through the form, add or amend anything you need to such as phone number and

email and return it to school. It is vital that we have this signed and returned (even if there are no changes) so that we can confirm and update our records. This information will populate other school applications such as the email and text system. For information about how this information is used, please see our Parent and Child Privacy Notice ([click here](#)). Please return the student update forms by 22nd September.

Global Consent Form

Each year, we ask parents to complete a 'Global Consent Form'. This asks permission for your child to go on local visits outside school such as to the church, to use the internet and for images to be used by the school for our school blog. [Please click here to complete the form.](#) A response by 22nd September would be appreciated.

School Uniform

FOSS have a huge selection of little worn uniform that is in as good as new condition. It can be ordered directly with FOSS by emailing foss@scampton.lincs.sch.uk. Simply ask for what item you require and the size you need and we'll get it ready to pass to you. All that is asked is a minimal donation (eg £1 for a T-shirt, £2 for a jumper).

The uniform really is as good as new. In times when we should be reusing and recycling – surely when thinking of uniform for September, this should be your first port of call for uniform before paying more for brand new! Uniform will of course be 'first come, first served'.

Get extra funding for the school

If you receive any benefits, it is helpful to know as the school can get extra funding called [the Pupil Premium grant](#). This includes:

- Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance

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- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Children who get paid these benefits directly can also get free school meals. To apply or check your eligibility, please click here.

Pick up and drop off

We have lots of learning to be doing each day. In particular, our new phonics programme needs us to start really promptly in the morning so that we can fit everything in to our busy days. Our lessons need to START at 9am so arrival before then is vital. We value the opportunity to speak with you each morning on the playground but will need to be sure for staff to be back in the classroom by 9am to be teaching. Please help us with this.

At pick up time, we are noticing that a lot of parents are standing back often on the road side of the gate. This makes it difficult for staff to see you when trying to safely pass children over to you. This is sometimes made harder when the sun is low in the sky behind parents. Please come on to the front playground so we can see you better!

Dates for your diary

- 13th/15th Sep - Residential Visit to Castleton
- 16th/23rd Sep - 11+ tests at QEHS
- 20th Sep - Secondary Transfer Meeting
- 25th Sep - Little Bear Cubs
- 29th Sep - First Celebration Assembly
- 11th October - Fluenz Vaccine
- 18th October - Individual School Photos
- 23rd -27th Oct - Half Term
- 30th October - Staff Training Day
- Wb 6th Nov - Parent/Teacher Consultations
- 20th December - Last day of Autumn Term
- 3rd January - Children return to school

Church Services

Please [click here](#) to see the rota of services for this month in the Springline Parish.



Scampton Church

QUIZ NIGHT

with Danny Flynn

Saturday 21st October at 7.30pm

Scampton Church, High Street Scampton LN1 2SE

Ploughman's Supper & Licensed Bar

'Nibbles' on the Tables **Maximum 6 in a Team**

£8 per person

Tickets available from
info@scamptonchurch.org or call 01522 730167

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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/minfec>.

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