

# SI RECENCE AVAILUE 26.11.2021

#### Dear Families,

How lovely it was to see 96 children at the School Association's Film Night and I am looking forward to next Friday's film "Arthur Christmas" and "Breakfast with Santa" the day after. Hope your children have brought home their slips reserving their place at each event. The money already raised by our lovely committee of parents is to pay for a visiting Junk musician who will give three riotous performances of "The Recycled Rave Show" to groups of children on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Watch out your child might come home and create a band out of bins, buckets, and baubles to entertain everyone at Christmas!

It is not long now until Christmas and the decorations will soon be up in school - Christmas trees everywhere! Please book your seats for the youngest children's productions. Don't be disappointed families of children in Y4-6 - things are in the pipeline for later in the year. You will have an opportunity to join us at the Christingle, Songs around the Willoughby Arms' Christmas tree and Rudy's Run on the village green - Father Christmas is making an appearance like last year.

I can tell it's getting close to Christmas too as children are coughing, spluttering and looking tired, a result of the best of times in the coldest of months! Please help us by sending children with coats, gloves, hats and scarves; we still go out at breaktimes. I was talking to one mummy who said her child seemed exhausted and quite emotional at the end of the day – this is normal for most little people and it just needs a wise adult to scoop them up, have a snack ready and leave them be for a while! Our days are so busy, so full, so over-loaded with learning, activities, movement and chatter; no wonder they are tired and want a peaceful half an hour to themselves.

Enjoy a peaceful, calm advent - you wish!

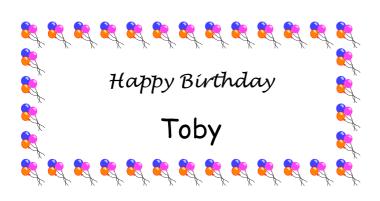
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#### Reception children starting in September 2022

If your child was born between September 2017 and August 31 2018, they are eligible to start school from September 2022. You can apply online at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions or can telephone 01522 782030. Closing date is January 15 2022. Congratulations to Roman's Y5 football team. They travelled to Partney PS and won



	Diary Dates 2021/2022		
		JANUARY	2022
NOVEMBER	2	4th	School Opens—Term 3
21st	3pm Forest Church at St. Helena's Church	14th	School Association Disco Night
25th	Y3 & Y4 children visit Magna.		-
26th	School Association Raffle on the	FEBRUARY	,
	playground	11th	End of Term 3
29th	NSPCC 'Stay Safe' to all classes	21s†	School Opens - Term 4
DECEMBER		MARCH	
3rd	3:30-5pm School Association Film Night	31s†	End of Term 4
4th	9-11am School Association Breakfast with		
	Santa	APRIL	
6th-9th	Y5 and Y6 Bikeability	1st	Staff Training Day
6th	YR & Little Explorers' Penguin Waddle	20th	School Opens—Term 5
7th	9:45am Little Explorers' dress rehearsal		
10th	Christmas Jumper Day	МАУ	
13th	9:30am Year 3 Dress Rehearsal	27th	End of Term 5
14th	10am Little Explorers' Nativity		
	1:30pm Dress Rehearsal Reception	JUNE	
	children Nativity	6th	School Opens—Term 6
	6pm Year 3 Christmas Performance		
15th	10am YR Nativity	JULY	
	1pm Rudy's Run-St Barnabas Hospice	22nd	End of Term 6
16th	9:15am Year 1 and 2 Christmas Nativity		
	Rehearsal.		
	Christmas Dinner		
	Little Explorers' Christmas Party		
	Reception Children Christmas Party		
	5pm Year 1 & 2 Christmas Nativity		
17th	2pm Christingle Service		
17th	End of Term 2		
20th	Staff Training Day		



#### Reception and Little Explorers' Welly Waddle Monday 6th December

Reception and Little Explorers will be having a penguin parade on Monday 6th December around the school orchard.

If you would like to make a donation towards Marie Curie this will be gratefully received.



	Christmas Pertormances
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Year 1 and Year 2	16th December Dress Rehearsal 9:15am 16th December Performance 5pm
Year 3	13th December Dress Rehearsal 9:30am 14th December Performance 6pm
restricting families to	remain COVID secure and to celebrate Christmas together we are 2 tickets at their child's performance, you and a family member may s rehearsal or the afternoon/evening performance.
Please do not ask for d	ny more tickets at the office as we will have to say no.
Please complete the fo	rm below to book your ticket.
	<u>Christmas Performances</u>
	ts/ 1 ticket (delete as appropriate) for the following performance. Please give ow which performance you require.

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# Little Explorers' and Reception Christmas Performances

Little Explorers' Performance - Tuesday 14th December at 10am

Reception Performance - Wednesday 15th December at 10am

# Lincs FM's Cash for Kids

Lincs FM's Cash for Kids are bringing the biggest gift appeal in the UK to Lincolnshire and Newark to help children in poverty at risk of waking up to nothing on Christmas Day. 1 in 3 children live in poverty and, for some families, Christmas is a luxury they just cannot afford. With the reduction in Universal credit and the end of the furlough scheme we know many more families are going to have to choose between heating their house and putting food on the table or providing Christmas gifts.

Mission Christmas helps alleviate that worry, ensuring that no child goes without on Christmas morning.

St Helena's are supporting the campaign by receiving donations of gifts (I will put a box in the foyer) and also if parents wanted to donate any cash, here is a fundraising page

Lincs FM Mission Christmas Fundraising 2021 | Lincs FM Cash for Kids - Cash for Kids (cashforkidsgive.co.uk)

#### Sunnyside Garden

When I visited a garden centre last week, I found that there were still some bulbs for sale, so I bought a few more to plant in pots. They should flower after Christmas and bring a little colour indoors during the winter.

First I found some prepared hyacinth bulbs, so I bought two different colours and have planted them in bulb compost and wrapped them in newspaper. I will put them in an outhouse until January, as they like the dark and cold so that their roots have a chance to develop.

Then I saw some large amaryllis bulbs, so I bought three, each one a different colour. These bulbs can live in our cold sun lounge where they will get plenty of light, the roots will develop and then the bulb will send up leaves and a strong stem. I love the big flowers which will appear at the top of the stem. If I look after the bulb carefully it will grow again next winter.

If you know anyone who enjoys watching plants grow, they make an ideal present as you see them boxed in the shops and garden centres. Each box contains a bulb and everything it needs to grow including a pot and the compost.

Love from Mrs Fulwood.







#### Year 2 swimming every Friday. Please remember your swimming kit AND towel.

# After School Clubs

Drama Club will not be on next week due to School Association Film Night, however, all other clubs are.

Places are still available for Y4-Y6 to join STEM club on a Wednesday. If your child would like to join please complete the consent slip below and return to the school office on Monday.

Please collect your children at 4:30pm.

#### Y4 - Y6 STEM After School Club.

I/We consent to ...... joining the After School STEM Club on a Wednesday.

Signed	

Date .....

## School Association Film Night – Arthur Christmas



## Friday, 3rd December - 3.30pm-5pm

Popcorn and sweets provided! Permission Slips coming home with children today! We hope to see the children there!



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The children of St Helena's are invited to join the School Association on Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> December for our Breakfast with Santa morning from 9am-11am. Please complete the forms that have been sent home with your child and return them with £5 to the office as soon as possible. We have a fun filled morning planned for the children which includes:





Breakfast with Santa Sausage muffins, cereals, orange or apple juice.

Meet and Greet with Santa





Christmas crafting and Glitter Tattoos











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