



St. Helena's Weekly Newsletter

Dear Families

This week in Collective Worship, we have talked about our uniqueness and how special each one of us is. We have discussed how we are all different and for that, we are grateful and proud. Importantly we have promised that we will never laugh, taunt, or tease someone for how they look, what they like and who are they are.

Year Six have celebrated themselves in poetry and I am hoping you will be able to read some on Facebook or even drop in to see their literary works - they are fabulous. Writing also featured in our crazy workshops with Mr Keaton and his ukulele this week - ask the children about their animal verses to song! The vital message amidst the hilarity is about being creative makers, transformers, experimentalists with their imagination and thought. Try playing the "Yes and..." conversation round the tea table. Somebody starts up story and when they stop, the other person responds "Yes and..." Thank you for enabling the children to be so generous with their pocket money to support "Children in Need"; it is another excellent learning opportunity.

Please remember to email me at sue.belton@st-helenascofe.lincs.sch.uk if I can be of any help.

Warmest wishes,

Mrs B x

Attendance

Following a Full Governors' meeting on Monday it was agreed that late arrivals and early collections will be very closely monitored and attendance meetings with governors and parents will be held every $\frac{1}{2}$ term. Our school times are: 8:50am - 3:25pm and those times should be adhered to

Discussions were also held regarding holidays during term times and it was agreed that as per our attendance policy 8 weeks notice is required in writing for any time off during term time. Please address your request to Mrs Belton and if you wish to email please email attendance@st-helenascofe.lincs.sch.uk

Please try to make all appointments out of school hours and during school holidays however, we do understand that this is not always possible. Proof of your appointment will need to be shown to the office.

Thank you for your understanding and compliance.

Reception Children September 2023

If your child was born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019 they are due to start school in September 2023.

From Monday 14th November applications can be made at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

This year LCC have provided a powerpoint to show parents how to apply. If you would like a copy of this and a School Application letter with the full details please contact the school office.

Thank you

Reading workshops

Mrs Roberts will be holding 3 reading workshops in the hall on:

Wednesday 23rd November for Year 1 and 2

Thursday 24th November for Year 3 and 4

Wednesday 30th November for Year 5 and 6

Starting at 3:30pm for 30 minutes.

The purpose of the workshops is to talk about the importance of reading at home and how parents can help their children. As this is for parents only the children may go into Hub free of charge.

Attendance between 07.11.22 and 11.11.22

St Helena's attendance for the whole school is 94.3% (Ofsted's expectation is above 94%)

22 late arrivals have been recorded this week and due to this 2 hours and 11 minutes learning time has been lost

3 children left school early (not relating to illness) which equates to 7 hours and 50 minutes learning time lost.

Total learning time lost by late arrivals and early leavers = 10 hours.

Diary Dates 2022/2023

NOVEMBER

20th Forest Church
21st Year 3/4 visit Lincoln Culture

DECEMBER

7th 8:20-8:45am Reading Cafe
8th Christmas Jumper Day
9:30am KS1 Christmas Performance
Rehearsal
5pm KS1 Christmas Performance
9th 9:30am Y3 Christmas Performance
Rehearsal.
3:30pm SA Raffle on the playground
5pm Year 3 Christmas Performance.
10th 9am-11am SA Breakfast with Santa
12th 2pm Reception Nativity Rehearsal
13th Year 1 & 2 visit Lincolnshire Wildlife.
2pm Reception Nativity Performance
14th Bubble Theatre Company—Cinderella to
whole school
3pm Y6 Perform Steel Drums to parents
15th Rudy's Run
Christmas Dinner for whole school
16th 2pm Christingle
End of Term 2

JANUARY 2023

3rd Staff Training Day
4th School Open—Term 3

FEBRUARY

10th End of Term 3
20th School Open—Term 4

MARCH

31st End of Term 4

APRIL

17th Staff Training Day
18th School Open—Term 5

MAY

8th BANK HOLIDAY-School Closed
26th End of Term 5

JUNE

5th School Open—Term 6

JULY

21st End of Term 6

SEPT

6th School Opens-Term 1

Buses

After School Clubs week commencing 21st November 2022

Monday	Multi Skills Y4, Y5, and Y6 Choir
Thursday	Girls' Football
Friday	Drama Club

All clubs finish at 4:30pm

Children using Hunt's buses in the morning must now go to the garage for 8:10am. There will be no collections at South Street. Parents must also stay with their children until they get on the bus!

Children will continue to be dropped off at South Street at the end of the day.

School Uniform

New School Uniform is available from Nationwide Uniform at Spilsby and pre-loved uniform is available from Alford Hub, which is opposite the butchers in Alford.

Alford Hub are always grateful for any good pre-loved uniform your children may have outgrown.



Y3 and Y4 visit to Lincoln

Apologies for the very short notice of this visit however, it has taken a lot of organising!!

Year 3 and 4 will be visiting Lincoln on Monday 21st November. As part of their studies, they will be visiting the Mosque, The Collection, The Usher Gallery and looking at Roman sites around Lincoln.

Children will need to be in school for **8:15am** (Breakfast Club is available for siblings at a charge of £2 each) and are expected to return by **4:15pm**.

The children will need a packed lunch and plenty to drink. The children need to wear school uniform and as they are walking around Lincoln (which may be wet and cold) please can they all wear trousers and NO shorts or skirts. They will need sensible walking shoes and a waterproof coat. If after discussion with you, your Y3/ 4 daughter would like to bring a scarf to cover their head as a sign of respect when visiting the Mosque, please help them to do so.

We kindly ask for a contribution of £9.50 towards the cost of this visit which can be paid via Parentmail or at the school office. Cheques payable to LCC please. Please complete the consent form which the children will also be bringing home and return to school on by Friday 18th November—Thank you.

Y1 and Y2 visit to Lincolnshire Wildlife Park

As part of their Geography and Science studies, Year 1 and Year 2 will be visiting Lincolnshire Wildlife Park on Tuesday 13th December.

The children will need to wear school uniform, sensible shoes and a waterproof coat. They will also need a packed lunch and plenty to drink. If it is wet, it will probably be muddy at the Wildlife Park so the children will need to take either wellies or a change of shoes.

Miss Newson has managed to get these tickets free of charge, however, we do kindly ask for a contribution of £9.00 towards the cost of transport which can be paid via Parentmail or at the school office. Cheques payable to LCC please—Thank you.

**year 1 & 2 will be swimming every Friday.
Please remember your swimming kit.**



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Alford's Spectacular Extravaganza

Saturday 26th November



12.00 - 19.00

Free Bus Travel

Santas Parade . 5.30pm

Light Switch On . 6pm

Santas Grotto in Manor House
(Til 5.30pm)

Christmas Market

Food Stalls

Live Music

Christmas Attractions



More info: www.alford.info

Free bus to Alford Christmas lights event.

Tickets need to be booked to ensure no-one is left out.

Book online at: [Hunts Coaches to Alford's Spectacular Extravaganza Tickets, Sat 26 Nov 2022 at 12:00 | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/alford-s-spectacular-extravaganza-tickets)

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Alford's Spectacular Extravaganza

Saturday 26th November

(Seats must be booked online: [Eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk) - Hunts Coaches to Alford's Spectacular Extravaganza)
Christmas Market. Food, Gifts, Music, Santa's Parade, Light switch on





WELTON LE MARSH XMAS FAIR

SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER 11AM TO 2PM
FREE BUFFET – FREE ENTRY

LARGE RAFFLE

NAME THE TEDDY

LARGE TOMBOLA



LUCKY CRACKER

CARROT OR PARSNIP

PLUCK THE TURKEY

LUCKY DIP BAGS



GUESS THE WEIGHT OF THE XMAS CAKE

HOW MANY PRESENTS IN THE STOCKING

JIGSAW PUZZLES

TEA, COFFEE AND SOFT DRINKS

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY VILLAGE HALL



Alford

Neighbourhood Policing Team

November 2022



YOUR LOCAL TEAM

mablethorpeandalford@lincs.police.uk

Sgt Cherry Kelly

PC Glenn Palmer

PCSO Barnaby Prince

INFO REQUIRED

Do you know someone who is Drink/Drug driving?

Help save a life. Contact the team with the information, if it is happening there and then call 999.

LOCAL PRIORITY

Every three months, we look at recent crime statistics and complaints we receive about what is happening in our local area, we then use these to shape what we will concentrate on next.

Our priorities for the next quarter (Jul-Sep) are:

- Alford – Youth ASB in open spaces

USEFUL LINKS

<https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/lincolnshire-police/alford/>

[Report a crime | Lincolnshire Police \(lincs.police.uk\)](#)

[Support for victims and witnesses of crime | Lincolnshire Police \(lincs.police.uk\)](#)

[StreetSafe | Lincolnshire Police \(lincs.police.uk\)](#)

COMMUNITY UPDATE

East Lindsey area is now piloting a new project around people living with Dementia and still mobile in the community being given a "smart wrist band"



For more information or to request a band for a loved one please email-

dementiasafeguarding@lincs.police.uk

If you can answer yes to one or more of these questions you might be borrowing

from a loan shark:

- Did they offer you a cash loan?
- Did they not give you paperwork?
- Did they add huge amounts of interest or APR to your loan?
- Have they threatened you?
- Are you scared of people finding out?
- Have they taken your bank card, benefit card, passport, watch or other valuables from you?

Call Us On - 0300 555 2222

WANT TO KNOW MORE

Crime statistics for your neighbourhood are available at www.lincs.police.uk

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Police

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