



## **Newsletter November 2017**

### School Closures – Bad Weather

If the school has to close due to bad weather during the night, we will text parents before the start of the school day and put it on our website. It will also be on Radio Lincolnshire and Lincs FM but sometimes it can take us a while to get through on their phone lines.

If bad weather has arrived during the school day and we need you to collect your child, we will contact you via text. Please make sure we always have your current mobile phone number. If you have not received a text from school since September, please contact the office.

We make every effort to remain open but have to ensure both staff and children can arrive and leave safely.



### Head Lice

There appears to be a huge problem with head lice at the moment, PLEASE can all parents check their children's hair tonight and continue to do so every night for the next week. Nit combs are available from the school office, free of charge, if required.

### Christmas Jumper/t-shirt/top day and Christmas Dinner!

The PTFA are cooking Christmas dinner for the whole school again on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December. There will be no meals from The Farm Kitchen on this day and children do not need to bring a packed lunch. Any allergy information will be taken from our pupil records so if your child has an allergy you have not told us about, please let the office know asap. Please also let us know if they are a vegetarian by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

On the same day children can bring £1 and raise money for Guide Dogs for the Blind (one of our chosen charities) by wearing a Christmas jumper, or Christmas top/t-shirt or just a plain red/green top. Children need to wear school skirt/trousers and shoes.

### Earrings

These cannot be worn for swimming or PE and staff are not allowed to remove them. Please ensure that if your child has their ears pierced they are removed before they come to school on a day when they have any of these activities if they cannot remove them without assistance. It is much appreciated if ears are pierced at the beginning of the long summer holiday and they practise taking them out before they come back to school.

### School Meals (UIFSM & FSM)

If your child is entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals (Reception, Year 1 & Year 2) or the traditional Free School Meals but you do not wish to have the meals all the time, please login and cancel the ones you do not require. These meals are not fully funded by the government and there is a cost implication to the school which can be reduced if any meals not required are cancelled. Thankyou.

### Parents Evening

Thank you everyone for embracing the new online booking system for parents evening.

### Swimming

Please remember swimming is £2 per week, please could any monies owed be paid in full by Christmas.

## PTFA

The PTFA are in need of some new members! Their next meeting is on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November @ 7.15pm – everyone is welcome 😊

## School Uniform

We have changed uniform suppliers and now use:

<http://www.nationwideschooluniforms.co.uk/>

They have a shop in Spilsby at Vale Road, Spilsby, Lincolnshire, PE23 5HE Tel: 01790 754522 where you can try on and buy uniform direct. They will deliver your order to school at the end of each month, free of charge or you can have it delivered to your home at a cost.

School still has some caps and book bags in stock but all other items need to be purchased from Spilsby.

## Bag2School

We recently raised £80 with the collection service. This is going to the School Council who will use it to buy some new playground equipment.

## Children in Need

Thank you everyone who donated to Children in Need, we raised £77.10!

## Nativity

There are two performances of the Nativity, both in St Helen's Church on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. For the evening performance children need to be there at 5.45pm please, already wearing their costumes. Reception and Years 1, 2 and 3 were given a slip with information of what they are in the Nativity, in their book bags yesterday.

Mrs Moore  
Headteacher

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## Diary Dates

### ***December***

**13<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday):** Nativity in St Helen's Church, Mareham Le Fen. 1.30pm and 6pm, all children are involved and are expected to be at both performances.

**15<sup>th</sup> (Friday):** Winter Wonderland open to all our children from 5 – 6.30pm organised by PTFA, more details nearer the time

**18<sup>th</sup> (Monday):** Christmas Lunch and Christmas jumper/top/t-shirt day £1 for charity

**19<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday):** End of term

### ***January 2018***

**3<sup>rd</sup> (Wednesday):** Back to school

**4<sup>th</sup> (Thursday):** Swimming starts again, £12 for the term

**18<sup>th</sup> (Thursday):** Class F trip to Flag Fen, letters were given out last week

### ***February***

**9<sup>th</sup> (Friday):** End of term

### ***April***

**16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>:** Bikeability for Year 5

Term dates for 2017/2018 are on the school website.