

Newsletter January 2025!

Welcome back, everyone! We hope you had a lovely Christmas and Happy New Year!

'Live life to the full and create a better future for all'



Diary Dates

January 2025

Thursday 23rd: Yr 3/4 Dodgeball
Tournament

February 2025

Friday 14th: Last Day of Term 3
Monday 24th: Back to School Term 4

March 2025

Thursday 6th: World Book Day!!
(more info will follow)
Thursday 13th: Yr 5/6 Hockey
Tournament
Monday 31st & Wednesday 2nd Apr:
Parents Evening

April 2025

Friday 4th: Last Day of Term 4
Wednesday 23rd: Back to School
Term 5
Thursday 24th Y1/2 Athletics
Tournament

School start and finish times

Please remember, the school gates open at 8:35 a.m., and school will start at 8:45 a.m. All children need to be in their classrooms for 8:45 a.m. If the side gate is shut, please bring your child to the front door and sign them in as late.

The school day finishes for Reception children at 3.10 pm and 3.15 pm for the rest of the school. Please do not park opposite the school, block any neighbour's access or on any grass verges down School Lane. The school bus area is only for the bus and Playbarn (after-school care) collections.

Medical Appointments

For medical appointments, we now need you to complete a form prior to the appointment and we require proof of the appointment that has the child's name, date, and time on it. We understand this might be inconvenient, but it is something we have been asked to do.

Water bottles & Lids

Please make sure your child has their name on their bottles.

If you need replacements, please pay via ParentMail and they will be given your order promptly at school.

Bottles- £2

2X Lids - £1

PE Days

Children need to wear their PE kits to school on the following days:

RED - Mondays

YELLOW - Monday & Thursday

GREEN - Wednesday & Friday

BLUE - Tuesdays & Fridays

CLUBS

Years 1, 2 & 3 - Every Monday until half term

Years 4, 5 and 6 - Every Friday until half term

Swimming

Green Class Swimming lessons will return after the February Half Term. There will be more details to follow.

Absences

Please report any children's absences by 9 am. This can be done via ParentMail or by contacting the school office either by email or phone call/voicemail.

Young Voices

After hours of practising the songs and polishing the dance moves, 30 intrepid choristers (and four tuned-up adults!) braved the South Yorkshire cold and joined with over 4,200 other children at Young Voices at Sheffield Arena - the world's biggest choir. We spent the afternoon practising with the orchestra and the stars in preparation for the big show. This year's celebrities were MC Grammar, Tommy Blaize from Strictly and the young sensation Souparnika Nair. After a break and a mountain of packed lunches, the audience of parents and friends began to trickle in, each looking for their loved one wearing a white YV t-shirt in a crowd of over 4 thousand white YV t-shirts. Once the frantic waving had subsided, the lights dimmed, the orchestra struck up, and the amazing concert began. An amazing time was had by all. Tired but still singing in some cases, we arrived back at 11:30. Thanks to the Mukherjee Trust for the grant to pay for transport to allow us all this magnificent and memorable experience.



PTFA

The School Christmas Lunch was a big success. Thank you again to the Red Lion Pub at Revesby for cooking a lot of the food.

This year we are aiming to put on more events for everyone to enjoy (see dates for your diary) to raise more money for the school. This is only possible with the help of volunteers. We currently have very few members which limits what we can do.

If you are interested in joining the PTFA or would like to help at some of our events, please speak to the school office who will put you in touch with a current member.

New members and helpers are always welcome.

Here are some dates for your diary of events coming up over the next few months:

- Thursday 13th February, 3:15 pm - Second-Hand Uniform Sale
- Wednesday 26th February, 7:30 pm for 8 pm start - Quiz at the Red Lion Pub Revesby
- Monday 3rd March, 7:15 pm - PTFA Meeting
- Friday 28th March, 6 pm for 6:30 pm start - Easter Bingo and Second-Hand Uniform Sale
- Sunday 11th May, morning - Sponsored Walk at Wilksby
- Friday 27th June - Summer Fayre

Attendance

Supporting you to understand the new rules



A National Framework for Penalty Notices for school absences, including unauthorised leave of absences in Term Time, is being introduced following changes to the law.

These new government regulations will come into effect from **19th August 2024**.

What are these changes?

If a pupil has **10 unauthorised sessions**, which is equal to **5 school days**, within a **10 week period**, a penalty notice may be issued.

This will come under 3 categories: First, Second, and Third offence.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time leave or unauthorised absences the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within **28 days**, reduced to **£80** per parent, per child if paid within **21 days**.

Second Offence

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time leave or unauthorised absences the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child to be paid within **28 days**. No reduced rate will be offered.

Third offence and any further offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time leave or unauthorised absences a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates Court.

Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on a Parents future DBS certificate, due to failure to safeguard a child's education.

For any further inquiries about school attendance please visit:
www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-attendance