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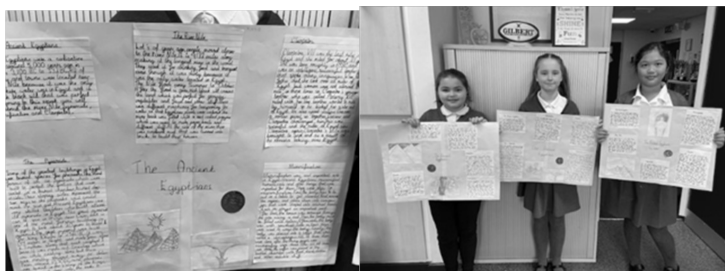
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## Dear Parents/Carers,

The Easter break is almost upon us and I can't believe that we are nearly at the end of yet another term! This will be my last newsletter before the holidays and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you an enjoyable break...hopefully the nice weather will also continue! **School finishes next Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> April, and starts again on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April.**

As always, I've been treated to some amazing work around school this week. I've seen some super sentences in Year 1 where they were using adjectives to describe a tiger...I even saw a few conjunctions like 'because'. There was further amazing writing in Year 4 this week where they had been writing up their final drafts of a non-chronological report about the Egyptians. I was wowed by both the presentation and the quality of their finished pieces! Year 6 also wowed me this week as they have been creating some fantastic moving landscapes in Design Technology, using their knowledge of cams. Apparently they have used an eclipse cam to make their object spin around!

Over the past few weeks we've been involved in a huge number of sporting events...it's been great to see a return to normal after the past few years. There's also been a return to normal in terms of our winning mentality! This week's newsletter is a 'sporting edition' with a round-up of all of our recent sporting success!



Chris Heathcote

Headteacher

## Parents Evenings

Parents evenings will take place on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March. They will be held virtually on Microsoft Teams.

You can book your appointment by following the link or scanning the QR code. [bit.ly/3vQHfWp](https://bit.ly/3vQHfWp).

If there are no meetings available or you have any problems then please contact the school office.



## Year 1 Reading Event

Thank you to all of the Parents/ Carers who attended the Class 3 'Sharing a Story' event. We hope you all enjoyed it! We're looking forward to holding the same event for Class 4 after Easter. Keep an eye out on our social media and via E-Schools for updates about this.



## School Shoes

Please can we remind parents that school shoes should be plain black (with black soles), without logos. If boots are worn then these should also be plain black. If children need to wear different footwear (for reasons such as medical issues) then please ensure that their class teacher is informed, in writing, as to why this is the case. Alternatively you can also contact the school office to inform us.



There have been an increasing number of pupils wearing trainers recently. This should only ever be a temporary measure and we should be informed of this as above. **Please be mindful that black sports trainers are not school shoes.**

We will be contacting parents/ carers directly should their child not be in the correct school uniform. Thank you for your support in maintaining our high standards within school.

## Safeguarding

Should you have any concerns regarding the safety or wellbeing of a child then you should report this immediately. You can report this to the school or directly to Children and Young People's Services (Social Services).

### **Children and Young People's Services Emergency Contact Information Lincolnshire:**

During Office hours contact the Children Services Customer Service Centre (CSC) on 01522 782111.  
Email: [lscb@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:lscb@lincolnshire.gov.uk).

Out of Office Hours (24-hours) contact the Emergency Duty Team (EDT) on 01522 782333.

The Designated Safeguarding Lead in school is Mrs Beeby. Safeguarding concerns can also be reported to Mr Heathcote or Mrs Pask who are the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads.



## Foodbank

There has been a significant rise in the cost of living recently and we understand that as a result, some of our families may be struggling financially. The school is registered with the Grantham Foodbank and is therefore able to issue vouchers to families in need. If you are finding that you are struggling to buy food for your family and would like support then please contact either Mrs Beeby, Mrs Pask or Mr Heathcote and we will be happy to help.



## Discos

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our discos to raise money for Ukraine. We have a representative from the Red Cross joining us for assembly on Monday. We will present them with a cheque and let the children know how much they have raised.

A big thank you also goes to Mrs Toole for organising and to all of the staff who helped out. A final thank you to Martin (ABC Discos) for agreeing to provide the disco at a discounted rate so that we could raise as much money as possible for Ukraine!



### **Important Dates**

<b>Term 4:</b>	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2022 - Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022
<b>30th March</b>	Class Photo Day
<b>30th March</b>	Parents Evening (Virtual)
<b>31st March</b>	Parents Evening (Virtual)
<b>Term 5:</b>	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2022 - Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
<b>20th April</b>	Open Classrooms (3.45pm-4.45pm)
<b>12th May</b>	Y4 Stibbington Day Trip & Overnight Stay
<b>Term 6:</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022 - Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2022
<b>7th June</b>	Year 5 Belvoir Day
<b>15th June</b>	Y6 Trip- Yorkshire Sculpture Park
<b>21st June</b>	Y5 Gainsborough Hall
<b>28th June</b>	Y1 Skegness
<b>29th June - 1st July</b>	Y6 PGL
<b>12th July</b>	Y6 Harry Potter Studio Visit

## Netball

Last week we entered two teams into the Grantham School Netball Tournament. Some great play from all the children, passing, moving and some super shooting! The A Team won all their league games and were able to make the final stages, a round robin of games to decide the top 3 places. They were superb and secured the Bronze Medal position! The B Team, relatively new to netball, showed real enthusiasm and team spirit throughout the tournament, improving with every game. They finished a very respectable 7th overall! Well done everyone, a great afternoon of netball!!



## Football

Over the past few weeks we have played some football friendlies. First up was Gonerby Hill Foot with the A and B Teams playing. Despite having a break from football the boys worked hard together playing some incredible football in front of a large crowd of parents and teachers. The A Team drew 1-1 against a very organised and skilful side and the B Team secured a 7-0 win.



Next to play against was Huntingtower, with the A, B and girls teams all competing. The girls worked really well together, creating some super passes, winning their game 1-0. The A

team had to work incredibly hard in their match, with Huntingtower showing super footballing talent. The boys were great moving forward but also showed grit and determination when tracking back to defend, resulting in a 3-2 win. The B team fresh from their win the previous week, were full of confidence. They played with real team spirit, passing the ball well all over the pitch. Some fantastic saves from our goal keepers and they were able to secure a 4-1 win. Well done everyone!!

## Gymnastics

Last weekend saw Charlotte H in Year 3 competing in the Grantham Schools Gymnastics competition. Lots of praise has gone into this event outside of school and Charlotte was a joy to watch. She showed real bravery to perform in front of a lot of parents and children, completing a fantastic vault routine. Well done Charlotte, we are all so proud of you for facing your fears!!



## Girls Football

As a school we are always looking at ways to encourage activity and sport, particularly with girls. We registered and took part in the FA Girls Let Girls Play special event. Across the country girls were all encouraged to get involved in football all on the same day with over 90,000 girls taking part. We led footballing sessions during PE lessons that day and held an after school club for Year 5/6. It was lovely to see so many girls giving football a go and so many smiles on their faces!! Well done.....these girls can!!!



Over the past half term Laura has been leading a girls football club. With nearly 30 girls across year 5 and 6 taking part, they learned lots of new footballing skills. This culminated in an intra school tournament. The girls were split into 4 teams and played each other with the chance of winning medals!! They all worked so hard



throughout, with some fantastic team play. Well done to the red team, who were victorious on this occasion!

## Hockey

This week we entered two teams into the Grantham School Hockey Tournament. Both began by going into leagues against 3 other schools. They played some lovely hockey, dribbling the ball and passing well. As a result they won their leagues meaning they were into the semi finals! The Year 6 team played a very strong side from Allington and unfortunately lost their game. The Year 5 team played Corby Glen and despite 12 minutes of play and an extra 5 minutes to find a golden goal neither team could score! They then had to take part in a 1v1 shoot off, with some brilliant defending and shooting they were able to win!! They played Allington in the final. With tired legs but a real determination they couldn't quite get that final result, but finished in a fantastic Silver Medal position!! The Year 6 team played Corby Glen and dug deep to secure a victory,



resulting in bronze medals!! A fantastic afternoon of hockey, they played with pride and passion and were rewarded with medals all round!! Well done everyone we are so proud of you!!

# CHECK IN WITH YOUR FRIENDS

If one of your friends doesn't seem OK, checking in on them can make a huge difference. One in every five children struggles with their mental health, so let's make sure we support each other through any difficult times.

**BE A GOOD  
LISTENER**

**ASK HOW  
YOU CAN  
HELP**

**SHOW  
EMPATHY**

**SEND A  
NICE  
MESSAGE**

**BE KIND**

**★ BE ★  
SUPPORTIVE**

**IF YOU ARE WORRIED ABOUT A FRIEND  
TELL A  
TRUSTED  
ADULT**

**I SAW THIS AND  
THOUGHT OF YOU**

**WANTED TO LET YOU  
KNOW I'M THINKING  
OF YOU**

**I'M HERE WHEN YOU  
NEED ME.**

**MISSED YOU AT  
SCHOOL TODAY.  
EVERYTHING OK?**

**NOS**  
**National  
Online  
Safety**  
**#WakeUpWednesday**