



**Our Newsletter**  
**Autumn Term 2**  
**2025**





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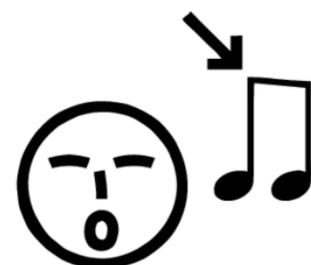
Dear Families,

I can't believe how quickly the time is going this term . We are delighted to welcome so many families to our school. Preparing for this 'season of joy', is such a pleasure and I want to share with you the things that are happening this term so we can all enjoy some 'joyful togetherness'. We have a few new events before Christmas which we would like to introduce with your support.

Firstly we are planning on celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday 11th of December to raise money for Save the Children. If you do not have a Christmas top or jumper please come and see me as we have some spares. We are hoping to raise £50 to give to this charity.



We are also going to change our Christmas Songs Around the Tree to an evening event so we can decorate the large playground with lights and put the Christmas tree outside for us all to sing around. This will be on Thursday 11th of December at 5pm, as the children and staff will be already feeling festive after wearing Christmas jumpers all day. We are keeping our fingers crossed that it will be good weather.



## Christmas Tree Festival



Thank you to all the families that made decorations for the Christmas Tree Festival at St Nicholas's church in Skirbeck. Our tree was 'The Wheels on the Bus'. A special thank you to Karina and her family who made the amazing pink bus with lights which we put on the top of the tree. The tree will be put up in school next week. If you still want to make a decoration you are very welcome.

## Strawberries

Have you seen our amazing strawberries! They are growing in drain-pipes on the wall in the walkway to the back of the school. I can't believe that they are turning red now. It is certainly a mystery to me but a wonderful one. These were the strawberry plants donated to us by Dyson Farming Please feel free to pick one with your child if you see one that is ripe.



## Planting Bulbs

Thank you so much to Haka and Yajat's mums from Barn Owls who have been helping me plant Daffodil bulbs at the front of the school. I still have lots of bulbs left that need to get into the ground as soon as possible so if you have any spare time please just come and see us.

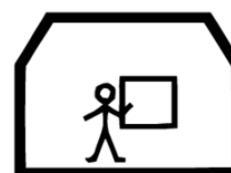


## Parent's Evening

We have been arranging Parent's Evenings for all children over the last few and coming weeks. Please attend if you can as these times will give you a chance to have a chat with your child's key person to discuss their progress and how they have settled in and talk about their 'Next Steps' and development which is so important and to discuss any reasonable adjustments we may have to make to meet your child's needs.



## School Admissions



The School Admissions Portal is now open and **ALL Tawny Owl** parents now need to apply for a primary school place for September 2026. Please visit the website [Apply for a school – Before you apply - Lincolnshire County Council](#)

To complete this application. The deadline is January 15th 2026 but it is a good idea to complete this before Christmas as it is easy to forget and then you will have to wait until 16th of April to apply after school places have been allocated. If you would like any support please with your application please come to the school office.

## Incredible Years

We have an Incredible Years Programme starting at in January at Fishtoft Road Children's Centre. There will be a Coffee Morning Event on Tuesday 16th of December at 9.30am at our school for any parents that may be interested in joining this group. We may be able to change your child's day to allow you to access this programme. Please let me know if you are interested.



**Lincolnshire  
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**Give your toddler  
an incredible start in life**

The Incredible Years toddler programme is designed to help you develop your parenting skills and build a positive relationship with your child

Classes and home activities to help you develop parenting skills while strengthening the bond with your baby, to feel safe and secure whilst promoting their language, social and emotional development.

The programme is designed for children aged 1-3 years, and places are limited

To find out more, visit [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/startforlife](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/startforlife) or scan the QR code



## Dummies

From December 1st we will be creating a Dummy Tree in the entrance. Dummies can really affect your child's speech and language development and ability to chat with you. [Dummies and weaning: How and when to stop dummy use - BBC Tiny Happy People](#)



We want to work with you to help children give up their dummies before Christmas. We will be exchanging dummies for a little wrapped gift. If your child has a collection of dummies they can put them all together on a coloured ribbon which Laura will have in the front office. They children can then choose a wrapped gift.

## Funding

Just a reminder that if you are claiming the 15 or 30 hour funding for working families (2-4 year olds) or using Tax-Free Child-care, you will need to reconfirm your eligibility **every 3 months**. You have until **December 31st 2025** to get or renew your code for January 2025

# Childcare Choices

Parents can check whether they could be eligible for a range of government childcare offers, including 15 hours free funding for 2 year old's & 30 hours free funding for 3-4 year old's via Child-care Choices or on the Childcare Calculator at:

[www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk)  
[www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator](http://www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator)

**Funded childcare & education - eligibility codes**

Age 9-23 months	Age 2 years	Age 3-4 years
Working families*	Eligible families*	All families
Eligibility code to be obtained from <a href="http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk">www.childcarechoices.gov.uk</a>	Eligibility code to be obtained from <a href="http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/2yearolds">www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/2yearolds</a> or from EYE team	Universal offer - No eligibility code required
	Working families*	Working families*
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## Boston Endeavour Academy

We have been working closely with Boston

Endeavour this term which is a specialist provision. They have amazing



facilities for children with additional needs and we are very fortunate to be able to access their sensory room. I will be inviting parents of children with additional needs if they would like to access the sensory room with myself and I hope in the new year that we will be able to set up some small groups for parents to access this fabulous resource.

## Sensory Resources

Parents can also borrow sensory resources from Norfolk Lodge Children's Centre. They have a list of items for you to choose from.. Please see the link below.

[Lending Library – Lincolnshire County Council](#)



## SEND Coffee Morning

Our next Coffee Morning will be on Friday 5th of December at 11am.

Ellie the SEND Effectiveness Advisor will be attending with more updates for families. Please come along.

## Family Hub

We have been working closely with the Family Hub at Norfolk Lodge [Boston, Norfolk Lodge Childrens Centre part of the Family Hubs programme - Find a children's centre – Lincolnshire County Council](#) They have lots of lovely sessions that you can attend with you children and there is no requirement to book you can just turn up! They also have lots of amazing resources that you can take home and play with and then swap for another. These are Borrow Bags They include items like dark dens which you can try with your children at home before purchasing anything.

## Wellbeing for Parents

The Family Hub at Norfolk Lodge are also sharing well being resources for parents. Below is the link for the Solihull approach- wellbeing for early years parents resources. [Wellbeing for early years parents – new online resources](#)

There is also a free hypnotherapy well-being session for parents delivered by the Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum virtually which is very popular

[LPCF Home](#)

## Christmas Dates

- ⊗ The **Christingle Service** at St Nicholas will be on Wednesday 17th of December at 10.30am. If you would like to walk with us please let us know. We will be leaving school at 10.10am.
- ⊗ The **Christmas Songs for Parents** will on the 11th of December at 5pm. Further information will follow
- ⊗ The last school day will be Thursday 18th of December when both the breakfast and after school club will be open as usual.
- ⊗ **Friday 19th of December is Party Day!** All Barn Owls and Little Owls can come in from 9-10.30am for their party and Tawny Owls can come from 11-1pm



Please feel free to see me or another member of the team if you have any questions or concerns about your child at Nursery. Just pop to the office or email and we will set up a convenient time.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to working together to support your children in 2026!

Kind Regards

Ella Masterton

Head of School

### Dates for your Diary

**Term 1** Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2025 – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> of October 2025

**Term 2** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 29<sup>th</sup> 2025– Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2025

**Term 3** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026 – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**Term 4** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026 – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026

**Term 5** Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2026 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

**School closed Bank Holiday Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May**

**Term 6** Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026 – Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026

**(Nursery closed Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026 for staff training)**



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