

NEWSLETTER



LincolnCarlton
ACADEMY

7th September 2018

SCHOOL START TIME

We would like to remind parents/carers that our school gates open at 8:45am every morning.

School starts promptly at 8:50am for Key Stage 2 and 8:55am for Key Stage 1 and Reception.

It is important that children arrive at school on time every day and are in their classroom for their start time so that they do not miss the register, any learning time, or be late for the new assembly start time.

If you are running late, please go to the school office to ensure your child can be marked on the register at the start of the day.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES

To ensure parents can still attend their child's Special Assembly, but also children can get the most out of their school day, we have decided to change the start time of **all** our assemblies from September.

The new start time will be 9.05am. We are really excited about the proposed changes and we hope it will fit in for parents and carers dropping off on a Friday morning.

Please drop your child in to school for their usual start time of 8:50am or 8:55am and head around to the school office when you are attending a Special Assembly.

KEY STAGE 2 ART

Please could parents and carers have a look through their wardrobes for a spare shirt for art in Key Stage 2? We don't have many aprons and have found Dad or Grandad's old shirts work marvellously. Please drop them in to school with the children and we can store them together to use for messy art lessons in classrooms.

NSPCC PARENT WORKSHOP

We have worked together with the NSPCC schools service to plan some assemblies for the children and an informative workshop for parents. This is based on the "Speak out, Stay safe" programme and will include the PANTS message.

The children's assemblies will take place in the morning and the workshop in the afternoon on Wednesday 28th September. If you are able to attend, the workshop will be held in the school hall. Please head to the school office as doors will be opened at 1:50pm to start at 2pm. The workshop is expected to finish by 3:15pm.

PE KIT

Children are required to take earrings out during their PE sessions. If this could be done before they come to school, that would be extremely helpful. If not, children will need to do this themselves at school. If taking earrings out is not an option, they will need to be covered with a plaster. We have PE tape in the first aid supplies for this. This is for health and safety reasons.

We would also like to remind you that the children should keep a PE kit in school all week. Although the classes have set days for PE, sometimes they may deviate from their usual timetable meaning that we need the kits in school every day.

The school PE kit is listed below:

A plain white or purple T-shirt

Plain navy or black shorts

Plain navy or black jogging bottoms

Plain navy or black jumper or zip through top

Black plimsolls or trainers

When children attend sports activities and visits at other schools, they will not be allowed to participate if they are not in the correct school PE kit or school uniform.

UNIFORM POLICY – JEWELLERY & ACCESORIES

As we start a new academic year, we wanted to remind parents and children about our uniform policy:

- On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school
- If children have pierced ears these must be a simple stud. Hoops are not appropriate.
- Earrings need to be removed on PE days.
- Hair bands, clips etc. should be discreet designs in colours compatible with school colours and only used in order to keep hair in place.
- Make-up and fake tattoos are not appropriate.

Should you wish to discuss this matter in more detail, please contact Ruth Stephenson (Attendance Team) or a member of Senior Leadership.

YEAR 3 SWIMMING – MONDAY 10TH SEPT'

Dahl class will be starting swimming on Monday 10th September. Thank you to all the parents who have paid and given their permission for your child to go swimming but we still have a number of payments and permissions yet to come through. It is hugely important that we receive your payment and permission, so that we can take your child off school site.

YEAR 2 TRIP – LINCOLN CASTLE

Thank you to all the parents who have paid and given their permission for the school trip to Lincoln Castle on Wednesday 3rd October. Please can you ensure that you have paid and given permission as soon as possible as it is hugely important so we can take your child off school site.

Please get in touch if you have any problems using your Parent Pay or making payment.

Children will have the usual school start and finish time and we ask parents to provide a packed lunch for the day. Children are to wear their school jumper, comfy trousers (not jeans) and wellies/boots.

YEAR 3 TRIP – WOODSIDE WILDLIFE PARK

Thank you to all the parents who have paid and given their permission for the school trip to Woodside Wildlife Park on Monday 17th September. Please can you ensure that you have paid and given permission as soon as possible as it is hugely important so we can take your child off school site.

Please get in touch if you have any problems using your Parent Pay or making payment.

Children will have the usual school start and finish time and we ask parents to provide a packed lunch for the day. Children are to wear their school jumper, comfy trousers (not jeans) and wellies/boots.

INHALERS IN SCHOOL

If your child needs to have an inhaler during the day, it is important that they have one in school at all times. Please ensure that it is labelled with their name and that you have given clear instructions for use to the class teacher. For those who already have inhalers in school, please check that it has not passed the expiry date. Thank you.

REMINDER

As we begin a new school year, we are reminding all parents and carers that if a person other than a parent or carer is collecting your child from school, you must give your child's teacher permission at the start of the day. Some of the teachers do not recognise family or friends and as a safeguarding rule, we cannot release your children without parental consent.

HARVEST

It is Harvest Time again and we will be having a Harvest Festival inspired 'SHARE' on Friday 5th October. SHARE is an opportunity to join your child after registration and be involved in craft activities and the morning routine. Also this year we are asking for food donations and giving these to the Lincoln Community Larder. We join with St Peter in the Carlton in choosing this charity and know that it will benefit so many people in our communities. Please bring tinned food, jars of sauce, pasta, rice, tea, coffee and sugar (but please no perishable items). Donations of food can be brought in from Monday 24th September and by 5th October and given to the class teacher.

SCHOOL CLUBS OVERVIEW

Please find attached the after school overview. Please note the changes to the overview; the clubs are now running from September through to December. You can add your child on to a club throughout the term, by either contacting the club provider directly, or the school office.

Not all clubs will be suitable for all age groups. Payment is to be made directly to the club providers after the first session.

WATER BOTTLES IN SCHOOL

Please ensure your child brings a bottle of water to school with them daily. Some children prefer to leave a bottle in the classroom Monday to Friday and refill as and when they need to – this is absolutely fine. As we follow the Healthy Schools Policy, we ask that bottles are only filled with water and not juice.

PHONICS WORKSHOP FOR RECEPTION PARENTS

Very shortly your child will start their reading and writing journey with us through the teaching of synthetic phonics. As a parent this can feel a little daunting as your child starts to come home with all sorts of things in their book bag to help with their learning at home. We are holding a workshop on Wednesday 26th September at 6pm in the school hall to run through some of the key features of our phonics teaching and how you can support your child's learning at home. The session will last approximately one hour and will be led by our phonics co-ordinator and the reception team. This session is solely aimed at parents and carers and therefore we recommend that your children stay at home. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible. Thank you

HEALTHY SNACKS

Children in Key Stage 2 are to bring a healthy snack in for morning break. For example, a piece of fruit, cereal bar, dried fruit or breadsticks are all great for giving children energy and keeping their bodies fuelled until lunch.

PARENT HUB ISSUES

We understand that a few parents have been having issues with their Parent Hub. We ask that parents please try logging off and back on to Parent Hub and if they are still having problems with this to contact Parent Hub themselves via email on support@parenthub.co.uk

WELLIES

We are asking for all children in Monkeys and Giraffes to bring wellies with them every day to school as they have free play outside throughout the school day and in all weathers.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

We wanted to take this opportunity to update parents on a change in guidance from the Local Authority in regards to leave of absence during term time. It is now the Local Authority's recommendation that all leave of absence taken during term time be unauthorised and have advised us that, should parents choose to take their children out of school, we should advise them that they could be subject to a fixed penalty.

Should you wish to discuss this matter in more detail, please contact Ruth Stephenson (Attendance Team) or a member of Senior Leadership team.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 10th September

Dahl class begin swimming

Friday 14th September

Year 1 Special Assembly, doors open at 8:55am for a 9:05am start.

Monday 17th September

Year 3 Trip to Woodside Wildlife Park, usual start and finish times.

Monday 17th September

After school clubs start

Wednesday 19th September

Parent Workshop with NSPCC, doors open at 1:45pm to start at 2pm

Friday 21st September

Year 2 Special Assembly, doors open at 8:55am for a 9:05am start.

Wednesday 26th September

Reception Parents invited to phonics workshop, 6pm start.

Friday 28th September

Year 3 Special Assembly, doors open at 8:55am for a 9:05am start.

Wednesday 3rd October

Year 2 Trip to Lincoln Castle, usual start and finish times.

Thursday 4th October

Individual and Sibling photographs – more information to follow.

Friday 5th October

SHARE – Harvest Festival Inspired SHARE. Please join your child in their classroom at 8:50am/8:55am.

Wednesday 10th October

Parents Evening – more information to follow.

Thursday 11th October

Parents Evening – more information to follow.

Friday 12th October

Year 4 Special Assembly, doors open at 8:55am for a 9:05am start.

Friday 19th October

Year 5 Special Assembly, doors open at 8:55am for a 9:05am start.

Friday 19th October

End of Term 1.