



Only a few days to Christmas, can you believe it? We really hope you enjoyed all of our Christmas celebrations and thank you to those who attended. The Christmas concerts and the Minster celebrations were excellent.

On behalf of myself and all of the team, thank you for all of your support this term. We are already looking forward to seeing the children on Monday 6th January.

Merry Christmas to you all.

Mrs Steward - Principal

Christmas celebrations

All year groups have enjoyed celebrating Christmas over the last few weeks with either a party, Christmas play or a performance. Nursery and Reception enjoyed their parties with lots of dancing and snow!



A huge well done to all the children in Year 1 for putting on an amazing performance for their 'Boogie Woogie Nativity'. Year 2 also put on a fabulous performance of 'Christmas Stocking'. You have all worked so hard and were amazing!



Parents and children came together for our annual Christmas celebration at the Grimsby Minster. Pupils from years 3,4,5 and 6 told the Christmas story, recited poetry and the choir entertained us with a selection of uplifting Christmas songs and carols.

Reverend Peter Mullins welcomed us into the Minster and congratulated the school on such an amazing turnout and beautiful service.

Shining stars

Well done to all of our amazing shining stars. Enjoy your reading books.



Eaton Court Christmas visit

Our choir and cheerleading group visited Eaton Court Nursing home and delivered amazing performances for the staff and residents creating lots of Christmas cheer.



Sports Ambassadors



Our newly appointed Sports Ambassadors have kicked off their new role by running games at break time. They're doing a fantastic job as this is a huge responsibility. Pupils are loving having something else to do especially when the weather is rubbish! Well done to all our Sports Ambassadors: Phoebe B, Ada S, Amelia-R F, Harper-R S, Oliver B, Ebony W, Payton Q, Olivier M, Lily C, Isla C, Travis B-A, Harrison S and Aaron A!

Children in Need

'A huge thank you to everyone for supporting Children In Need. We raised an amazing £313.31 and had a brilliant day taking part in a range of activities and by wearing spotty clothes and having crazy hair.'



Upcoming events



#WeWillCare

Some of our Year 3 and council pupils delivered some wonderful gifts for the residents and staff at Eaton Court Nursing Home to spread Christmas joy to all. Thank you OSPA staff and parents for your generous donations.



Atlas- First Aid



This term, Atlas have loved practicing their first aid skills. The children now know how to treat someone having a seizure and put someone in recovery position, carry out CPR on adults, children and babies, use a defibrillator, treat someone that's choking and apply a bandage and sling. The school is in safe hands!

Side door Youth and Community Church Food Bank

Free monthly food parcel- tinned, frozen, dairy products PLUS come daily for fresh fruit and veg and bakery items. All we need you to do is bring a few bags, give your name, postcode and let us know how many children you have, and we will give you a monthly parcel whilst you look at the daily fresh items. **Corner of Second Ave and Laceby Road 10am -2pm Monday - Thursday. Find us on Facebook Side Door Youth and Community Church**

2024-2025 term dates

20.12.24 Children finish at 2.30pm for Christmas
06.01.25 Children return to school
14.02.25 Children finish for half term 3:20pm
24.02.25 Staff inset day
25.02.25 Children return to school
06.03.25 Year 4 swimming commences TBC
01.04.25 Shining Star assemblies
02.04.25 Parents' consultation day
04.04.25 Children finish at 2.30pm for Easter



Attendance

Our whole school target for attendance is **96%** Currently we are at **94%**.

‘Good attendance is important for a child's social and mental wellbeing, and for helping them develop skills for life. Children who regularly attend school have more opportunities to make friends, feel included, and develop confidence and self-esteem’.

A reminder that children are back on the 6th January 2025.

Reminder

Please remember that early morning aches often pass, so don't keep your child at home "just in case" when he or she could be learning in class. Don't keep siblings off, "just in case". If you are not sure, you could talk to a member of the school staff or your GP.

Is my child well enough for school?

Coughs and colds

A slight cold or cough does not stop a child from attending school. However, children with heavy colds or persistent coughs should stay at home. A child whose cough is disappearing and who is feeling better should return to school.

Minor aches and pains

A child whose only complaint is a minor headache or tummy ache does not usually need to be kept at home. A child with persistent toothache or earache should see a dentist/doctor without delay.



Vomiting and diarrhea

If vomiting or diarrhea occurs, your child should stay at home for no longer than 48 hours.

Medication

If your child has a headache or has signs of a fever, you can administer Calpol before school. Let a member of staff know and we will monitor them closely. If your child needs medication during the school day, you can complete a consent form for staff to administer any necessary treatment. The forms are available at the front office.

Appointments

We encourage parents to make appointments out of school times. Sometimes it is unavoidable, if your child's hospital appointment is in the morning, we ask that you send your child back to school at the earliest opportunity.

Your contact details

Reminder – It is ***your responsibility*** to inform school when your child is absent from school ***every day***. It is important that school staff can contact you or someone you have identified on your contact list. Please keep school updated if you have a new number or you want to alter your 2nd and 3rd contacts.

Any problems or concerns please speak to;

Mrs Jackie Allington or Attendance Officer; **Mrs Sharon Unwin**.