

TERM 4 NEWSLETTER

Welcome back

Welcome back after what seems to have been a very quick half term. It was lovely to see so many children coming through the gates this morning looking pleased to be back. They have already settled back into work, and we look forward to seeing their achievements this term.

My newsletter this term is to give you more information on what is happening within school this coming term.

Please keep a look out for additional letters for things that inevitably arise unexpectedly.

School Development Update

We are continuing to make good progress towards our priorities this year:

| Improvement priority 24-25 | Progress against priorities |
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| Priority 1 - To embed the use of manipulatives across all year groups that supports progression towards abstract representations to allow for improved outcomes for all children. (key driver 2) | Lesson visit by both the subject lead and HT show that children have access to manipulatives and are using these to support their learning and understanding well. Subject Lead has completed an audit of resources, and this is continually being added to by – this ensures children have high quality items to support them. Children have been able to access targeted support quicker to address any misconceptions the impact of this has been they are showing more understanding of mathematical concepts – 50% of cohort already achieving exp standard in Nov assessments. |
| Priority 2 - To further develop the assessments in foundation subjects so that clearly articulate the knowledge and skills learnt and there is an evidence bank to support teacher judgement. | We have reviewed the impact and the benefit of the Knowledge Organisers to ensure we are being more specific about the taught knowledge for the topics. Book looks have shown that there is some evidence of retained knowledge within the topic books, but we would like to increase this. Discussions between local schools around moderating have begun. |
| Priority 3 - To build a professional development pathway for all staff to deepen expertise in adaptive teaching and SEND. | All support staff have completed 3 sessions of additional training. This has not only upskilled support staff but enhanced the quality of the support given to children throughout the school. Additional resources have been introduced within classrooms to support this training. There is a clear process flow chart for how SEND is identified and addressed within our school. |

School website:

www.moultonchapel.lincs.sch.uk



Lego Team



A huge well done to our Lego team. They had a great day competing against other schools and represented our school brilliantly. They won one of the 'big 4' trophies for their innovation project and came overall 3rd on the programming table 😊.

Attendance at school -

Term 3 attendance overall= 96.1%



Again, a reminder that the school day starts at **8.45am** and any child arriving after 8.50am when the side gate has been locked will be marked as late. In Term 3 we had a positive decrease of absence to **3.9%**, of which 1% were children being late. **All our lessons begin at 8.50am and so those that are arriving after that are missing vital learning.**



PE and swimming

Swimming will continue for Maple class until **3rd March 2026**. (2 more weeks)

All earrings must be removed; this cannot be done by staff.

We will continue to request a £1.00 parental contribution towards the cost of transport to the pool which can be paid via Arbor.

Food in school reminder



Through the school, there is access to free fruit and veg at playtime as a snack. In KS1 they continue to be supported by the Government scheme and in KS2 we are providing access to fruit and veg items for them as well.

Due to changes in guidance over the summer, we are asking that all children who have a snack will be sitting down to eat this before beginning their play.

Please ensure your child's lunchbox is a balanced healthy lunchbox.

Term 3&4 clubs

Clubs for Term 4 will be:

Monday – Film club (Y5&6) – TT Rockstars (Y3&4) - Gymnastics (Y1&2)

Tuesday – Tae Kwon Do – KS2 only

Wednesday – Multi Sports – KS2 only (20 max)

Thursday – Snuggle with a book Y1-Y6 (15 max)

Topics - Take home tasks

We have set the date for take home tasks to be brought to school for judging. This will be **Monday 30th March 2026**.

Maple – model of an emergency vehicle with 4 wheels

Monkey Puzzle – Model of a globe

Oak – An item found in King Tut's tomb

Oak class mobile phones



With the current media coverage regarding phones in school, I just wanted to remind parents of our policy. Year 5 and 6 children are the only children who are permitted to bring in a phone **if** your child is walking home or to meet you in the village.

They **should not** be brought in if they are collected by car outside school. All phones are to be left in the office and collected at the end of the day. Any child who is found to have a mobile phone in their locker, will have the phone confiscated and parents will be expected to collect the phone from Mrs Sexton personally.

Car Parking and turning



The road outside school is always very busy at the beginning and end of the school day.

- Please do not use our neighbours' driveways or forecourt to turn your car – we have had complaints about this.
- **Please do not use the entrance to the school car park to turn your vehicle.**
- Please keep the zig zag area in front of the school clear.
- Please do not do 3 point turns on Eaugate Road.
- Please keep alert to avoid injury to unpredictable young children.
- Please keep to the **30-mph** speed limit on Eaugate Road, Roman Road and Fengate.

Next Friends of School Meeting - Monday 9th March 2026 @ 3.15pm

Great fun was had at the Valentine's Disco before the half term break. We are always very grateful for the additional opportunities and experiences that they provide the children with. –they continue to need more members/helpers in order to ensure that they can continue to provide these for the children.

Points for discussion: Events for the spring & summer terms, next year's Summer fete – 27th June 2026

Upcoming Calendar Dates

- Monday 23rd February – Term 4 begins.
- Thursday 5th March – Oak class trip – information to follow
- Friday 6th March – World Book Day – fancy dress
- Monday 9th March – Science Week begins
- Monday 9th March – FOS mtg @ 3.15pm
- Monday 16th March – Parents consultations
- Tuesday 17th March – Parents consultations
- Friday 20th March – Comic relief – information to follow
- Wednesday 25th March – KS2 Kho Kho or Kabaddi competition
- Thursday 26th March – FOS Movie night 3.30-5.30pm
- Thursday 2nd April – Parent assembly @ 9am / End of term 4
- Tuesday 21st April – Term 5 begins
- Sunday 3rd May – Moulton Chapel Tulip Parade
- Monday 11th – Thursday 14th May – KS2 SATs
- Monday 18th May – Friday 22nd May – Year 2 SATs
- Friday 22nd May – End of term 5
- Monday 1st June – Term 6 begins

I thank you for your ongoing support and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me through the school office.

Pupil Premium and Free School Meals



It is important that everyone who is in receipt of any State benefits makes an application for Free School Meals, even if their child already receives a free meal as they are an Infant child.

Apply using Lincolnshire's Parent Portal.

www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-pupil-support/apply-free-school-meals

The system is the one used to identify to the Department for Education children who may be in need of additional educational support.

School receives additional funding from the Pupil Premium Fund in the school budget which means we can ensure all children fulfil their potential.

As a school we are also able to support the families of children who qualify for Free School Meals benefit by provision of free uniform items, reduced contributions to trips and free-swimming transport, etc.



Health

Sickness/diarrhoea

If your child does have a bout of either (or both!) please ensure that he/she is kept at home **until 48 hours after the last occurrence**. We appreciate that this can be very inconvenient, in particular if you are a working parent, but it is essential to ensure we reduce the spread of infections.

Head lice

We will probably never be free of these little irritating creatures but if everyone checks the heads of **all** family members regularly and treats with a commercial product or by regular combing through with a specialist comb, we can try our best to be head lice free.

We will continue our practice of contacting the parents of any child who is seen by staff to have head lice to ask that the child be collected from school and treated. Please don't be embarrassed if you get the phone call – head lice are a problem everyone has had to deal with at some time or another.

Don't forget to get in touch with our Family Liaison Support Worker if you think there is something she can help with:

charlotte.palgrave@moultonchapel.lincs.sch.uk

Mrs Sexton