

News Flier.....

Wednesday, 2nd November, 2016
Week 8

- **Reception Class September 2017** – the online application system for places in our Reception class (children born between 1st September 2012 and 31st August, 2013) opens on Monday, 14th November. The system is operated by Lincolnshire County Council, however we are very happy to help you with the process should you require it. Likewise, if you would like more information about Huttoft School and Nursery please do not hesitate to contact us.
- **11+ Results** – once again we have achieved very highly in the percentage of our Year 6 children qualifying for a grammar school place. Against an expected national qualification figure of 25% - 30%, we secured 68%.
- **Nursery Uniform** – thank you very much for the hugely positive response to this questionnaire. 95% of Nursery's parents gave an overwhelming 'yes' to this suggestion. As a result we are currently placing an order for embroidered red polo and sweatshirts and hope that they will be available to you very shortly.
- **Nursery Provision at Huttoft** – Mrs Denton, our Nursery teacher, is delighted that the canopy for 'The Park' has arrived today and will very soon be in use. This new feature will further enhance Nursery's outdoor area and plans are underway for a new development in the corner of the grassed area....what this space!
- **Nursery Parent/Teacher Consultations** – commence week beginning Monday, 7th November for parents of our pre-school children – please see Mrs Denton if you would like to book an appointment.
- **2:15 Club** – parents and carers of children in Year 3 and Year 4 who would like to know more about the content and methods used for teaching Maths in the lower juniors, are welcome to join Mrs Crouch and Mr Bradley at 2:15 on Friday, 4th November in Year 6. Like all 2:15 Clubs, this is an informal, relaxed information gathering session.
- **Create a Hamper** – this fund raising activity is proving very popular with some lovely gifts arriving in school – but there is still room for more! Raffle tickets go on sale from Monday, 14th November.

- **PE Kits** – will come home this Friday for their regular wash. Please may I remind you that children wearing tights to school do need a pair of socks in their PE bag.
- **Science Investigation Focus Week** – commences on Monday. This termly, Week 9 activity, is specifically designed to enhance the children's investigative skills working collaboratively and exploring 'everyday' Science.
- **Book Fayre** – will be open to parents/carers on Tuesday, 8th November at 2:00 pm. Refreshments will be on sale ahead of Story Time which commences at 2:25 pm. Your child(ren) will be invited to join you – so please remember to bring a cushion or similar to sit on whilst listening.
- **Year 5/Year 6 Swimming** – £24 is the amount for the second half term. This is due on or before Friday, 4th November and should be paid in full either by ParentPay or cheque.
- **School Garden** – thank you to Jared and the Query Crew (Emily, Matthew, Tillie and Thomas) for harvesting our apples this week. They have been sent to Spilsby where our hot school lunches are prepared and we will next see them in a pie! I am sure they will be delicious.
- **Diabetes UK Accreditation** – we have been collecting the evidence needed to apply for this award which recognises 'good diabetes care in school'. We hope that we will have some good news to share with you soon.
- **Governing Body** – we currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interested in applying for this position please put your expression of interest in writing to Mrs White, Clerk to the Governing Body by Friday, 11th November.

As you know, the Governors are very committed to the continual enhancement of IT for our children in all classrooms. Following this term's recent update to Eboards, I am sure the children have been excited to tell you that all the classrooms have now been totally refurbished with brand new computers and also the laptop trolley. It is very important that the use of IT is fully integrated into the children's curriculum – both now and for future learning. The governors are also very encouraging of the Alford Grammar School partnership - teaching programming to our Year 6.

- **Songs from the Musicals Club** – parents of children attending this Club are welcome to join us in the Hall at 3:15 p.m. on Friday, 4th November.

Community News

Remembrance Day Poppies – Mrs Turner will be in school on Thursday afternoon, 3rd November to sell poppies to those children who would like to buy one. If you wish your child to take part in this please send a small amount of money in a named envelope.

Forthcoming Diary Dates

Friday, 4 th November	2:15 Club for Year 3 and 4 parents/carers – Maths
Tuesday, 8 th November	Parental lunch opportunity – space for up to 12 parents to enjoy a hot school lunch. Please order using your child's menu
Wednesday, 9 th November	Year 4 – day workshop at Metheringham Air Field to re-enact a War Time Christmas – further details to follow
Friday 11 th November	Year 6 Class Assembly – 2:25 pm in the Hall for parents and carers of Year 6 children
Friday, 18 th November	Year 5 Consultation Day
Monday, 21 st November	Year 2 Consultation Day
Tuesday, 22 nd November	Year 4 Consultation Day
Wednesday, 23 rd November	Year 3 Consultation Day
Friday, 25 th November	Year 1 Consultation Day

Booking slips will be sent out shortly