

Dear Parents/Carers,

Castleton Residential

This week I had the pleasure of accompanying Oak class (Y5/6) for 3 days on a residential visit to Castleton in Derbyshire, along with our friends from Scampton school. It was a joy and a privilege to accompany them on the trip which involved all kinds of adventures including rock climbing, caving, abseiling. We also did a via ferrata which involved us wearing harnesses and a via ferrata set (with two carabiners) to help us climb difficult terrain at the side on the mountain edges and along the cliff edges!

The children were an absolute credit to the school and their parents; they threw themselves into all kinds of adventures including shelter building, bush craft and several team building exercises. We also had a hike to climb Losehill which rises 476m above the Hope Valley.

As staff we really value this opportunity to get to know the children in a different setting and to witness them grow in confidence and gel together as a class team at the start of the school year. It really was a fantastic trip with a super group of children.

A big thank you to Miss Bartrop, Miss Apps and Mrs Rampley who accompanied us on the trip, and also to Mrs Maple.

In the Spring term we will be in contact with current Y4 and Y5 children as we begin to prepare for next year's residential visit.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 26th September the Macmillan Coffee Morning was held in conjunction with Ingham Primary School, Little Acorns, Ingham Church and Baby and Toddler Group.

A massive £296.90 was raised for a very worthy cause! Thanks to everyone for your support.







Harvest Celebration

On Monday 20th October at 2:45pm we would like to invite you to our Harvest Festival in the school hall. Please come along as each class will be contributing to the service.

As previously, in celebration of the Harvest, we ask if parents would gift a food item(s) to the school ahead of the service. At the end of the celebration, all produce is then donated to Lincoln Foodbank.

We would be very grateful if you are able to make a contribution to our Harvest table. The Foodbank can accept any long-life food which can be stored in a cool dry place, and are particularly grateful for items such as tinned vegetables, tinned potatoes, jam and rice pudding.

Your child may leave any items you are able to donate on the table in the library area on Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday morning this week and of course, on the day of the Harvest Festival.

Please note-parents will be asked to sign in at the main entrance to school. Thank you in advance for your donation and continued support.

We hope to see you there.



FILLINGHAM PYO PUMPKINS

11th & 12th, 18th & 19th & 25th through to 31st October

Bring the kids, bring the grandkids!

Free entry and no booking required
10am to 4pm

Pumpkins. Maize Maze. Pumpkin Cannon. Pedal Tractor Shed. Food vans as well as other fun and games for the whole family

Castle Farm, Fillingham, Gainsborough, DN21 5BX
(just off B1398, 8 miles north of Lincoln)

For full details please follow:



@FillinghamChristmasTrees



Fillingham Scarecrows/PYO Pumpkins

Fillingham Christmas Trees contacted us a number of weeks ago and invited the school to make scarecrows to hide in their Maize Maze. Each class chose a different scarecrow to make based on book characters:

Willow-Funnybones

Rowan-The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Maple- Where's Wally

Oak-Wednesday Addams (Addams family)

Fillingham Christmas Trees always kindly donate our Christmas tree each year and we have loved making the scarecrows for them. As a thank you for making the scarecrows, the children have been offered free entry into the Maize Maze. The children just need to say which scarecrows they helped to make and they will gain free entry. Please do go and visit.

FOIS AGM

Friends of Ingham School will be holding their annual AGM on Wednesday 15th October at 7pm in the school. FOIS raise money for the school to buy lots of extras for the children. They usually meet once a month/term via Teams or face-to-face and they would benefit from some new faces and new ideas. It is a great chance to get involved with the school-please come along.

6 REASONS TO JOIN YOUR PTA!



Messy Church

Messy Church is what it says on the label! It is church and it is Messy...and it is fun. Every session is based on a Christian theme or story and it is run as a monthly after-school club by Audrey and John Beverley and a team of other volunteers.

Messy Church starts at 3:30pm with the telling of the story and there are a number of craft type activities for children to get involved in. It finishes with a short celebratory service. They aim to be tidied away by 5pm. The next session is on Friday 17th October in the Village Hall/Community room.

Please note- children must be accompanied by an adult/carer.

Further information from Audrey or John Beverley 01522 730752



Parent Teacher Consultations

We are offering the opportunity for parents/carers to meet with their child's teacher to discuss how they are getting on with their learning, what's going well and any worries or concerns. These meetings will be taking place on Monday 10th November and Wednesday 12th November between 3.50pm and 7.00pm.

Following on from previous years and the positive feedback we received, we are offering a hybrid approach to these meetings.

For those who would like to, you are able to book an appointment to meet with your child's teacher face to face in school. Work will be available in the hall/school library for you to browse.

However, if you prefer, you are able to book a telephone appointment which means you can speak with the teacher from home on your mobile number. The teacher will call the mobile number at the allocated time. Please do not call school. Appointment times do occasionally run over and we will endeavour to call as near to the appointment time as possible.

In order to book your meeting with each teacher, we will be putting sign out sheets at the front of school from Monday 20th October before school and again, after school (weather permitting). If you are unable to make it to school on Monday, please Dojo message the class teacher with some suitable times and they will reserve you a slot. Remember to indicate if you would like face to face or telephone call.

If you are unable to make any of the appointments available, please contact your child's teacher to arrange an alternative appointment at a later date. This can be arranged through Class Dojo or via email. Thank you.

Please do pop and see me or catch me at the gate if you have any queries or concerns.



Mrs Hutchinson
Headteacher

Diary Dates

Wednesday 15th October

Monday 20th October

Thursday 23rd October

Monday 3rd November

Thursday 6th November

Wednesday 12th November

Friday 14th November

Thursday 20th November

Friday 28th November

Wednesday 3rd December

Thursday 11th December

Friday 19th December

Tuesday 6th January 2026

FOIS AGM

Harvest Celebration 2:45pm-all welcome

Oak Class Assembly 9:10

End of Term 1

Term 2 starts

11am-Open morning for potential new EYFS starting Sept 2026

Planetarium visit for Y5/6 and Y1/2 (further details to follow)

Children in Need

9:10 Maple class assembly

11am-Open morning for potential new EYFS starting Sept 2026

FOIS Advent Bingo

New Theatre Royal Panto visit-all

KS1 Xmas Production 2pm and 6pm

End of Term 2

Term 3 starts