



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## July 2025



### Headteacher end of term update

As we come to the end of the summer term, we look back and reflect on our many successes and achievements. Our curriculum this term is linked to conservation and we have had a whole school approach to develop the outdoor space with our wonderful site manager building a wildflower garden and redesigning our forest school area for everyone to enjoy. Thank you for the parental donations of equipment and time. Classes are growing tomatoes and learning about how we can use solar energy amongst other things. Our mini police officers have security marked bikes and scooters as well as learning about speed awareness out on the main road.

As always in the summer term, we have enjoyed some educational visits. EYFS walked up the hill to church earlier this term, learning about both the outdoor space around the graveyard and the into the church where they learnt lots about the different areas. KS1 visited Belton house to enjoy the gardens and complete a unit of art, practising their sketching skills and having a little play on the outdoor area – it was a hot day and everyone was grateful for the shady trees. Y3/4 ventured further afield with a visit to London and the Natural History Museum, they learnt about the history of species and plants and had a tour of London on the way – a very long day but all agreed it was worth it! Our participation in the Mini Olympics led to us winning the banner competition – fun was had by all.

Y5/6 have also been thinking about transition, Y5 visiting 2 local secondary schools for taster days and Y6 visiting the school they will be attending in September. Y6 had a great day out at Lincoln Cathedral, singing and learning about the history of the building, mixing with Y6 pupils from other schools around the county.

We have also enjoyed our usual round of sports days, discos and our summer music concert on the field where we showcased our progressive learning about music to parents and family members.

As we come to the end of the school year we can look back on so many successes and we say goodbye and good luck to Y6 and look forward to our new starters, the opening of our second classroom in our mainstream hub and continuing the amazing work that we do to support and serve our community.

Thank you to all our parents and wider community who enable our school to be as good as it is.

I hope you all enjoy a wonderful summer.

*Jayne Watson*

### KEY DIARY DATES

- Tuesday 22 July - end of term
- Thursday 4 September - start of term
- Wednesday 15 October - Wrates individual and sibling photographs

## Message from the Governors

Another school year seems to have flown by with its many challenges and successes. On our monitoring visits it has been good to see progress towards our school development plan goals, see the children happy and progressing, and to hear most recently of the satisfaction our parents have with the school.

We look back over the last couple of years and see the success of the SEND hub, and are delighted that this will take another step forward in the new school year and cements the culture of love and inclusivity that has been built over the last few years.

We thank our hard working and dedicated staff once again for their ongoing efforts. It has not always been easy through the year, but with typical resilience and determination they have carried us through.

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome Jayne Rootman and Laura Barnes to the Governing Board and are thankful for their willingness to step into this responsibility. I would also like to thank my fellow governors for their hard work and support through this year.

As we head towards the summer break and a much needed rest, I have been thinking recently of how life seems to be ever changing. I am ever thankful therefore that the Bible reminds us that 'Jesus Christ, [is] the same, yesterday, today, and forever'. As we trust Him through life, we find one who will always remain, consistent and unchanging.

I wish you all and very happy and restful summer break.

On Behalf of the governors,  
Michael Buckeridge

# Reception



Our last term as Explorers, and what an action packed one it's been! We have walked up to St Sebastian's church to learn about its history. In maths, we did a nature maths trail to count objects and make shapes. We started our new 'No place like home' topic where we learned about each others houses.



Explorers had our first sports day! It was so much fun and the children showed so much team spirit. We then dressed up and showed everyone our dance moves at the end of term disco!



You've come a long way since September, Explorers, and we are so proud of you!



# The Hub



Sports day for our Pathfinders! Everyone took part and we had so much fun doing all of the games together in the sunshine.



The children had a wonderful time on our trip to Belton with the KS1 classes. It was very hot so we made sure we had some shade in between playing in the playground and having our picnic lunch.



We have celebrated with our diamonds and shared lots of accomplishments - well done, Pathfinders!



# Year 1



The last term of the year and it has been so busy, but also so much fun!



The KS1 children enjoyed a trip to Belton on one of the hottest days of the year! As well as the playground, we sat in the shade to draw and to have our packed lunches.



We made tie-dye t-shirts for the summer fayre, learned about Monet in Art, and studied missing number combinations in Maths. We had an action packed sports day, where we all pulled together as a team and displayed great spirit. In PSHE, we learned about our emotions and how we can control them.



# Year 2



Just an average day in Pathfinders - we started Maths day with a kidnapping! Poor Miss Exton was missing and the children had to solve maths problems to find the clues to find her! We had such an action packed sports day - the children worked so hard on the games together and had a great day. We hope parents enjoyed it too.



We have learned about Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth, studied Maths fluency, worked on our emotions, made tie-dye t-shirts for the summer fayre, and looked at past and present tense in English.



On top of all of this, we had a trip to Belton and still had time to party at our school disco!



# Year 3 and 4



Adventurers were London bound! We visited the Natural History Museum and had a long, busy, but brilliant time at the workshops and exhibits.

We explored 3D shapes in Maths and created our own models. We have also learned about pounds and pence. In Art, we have been looking at the Brazilian artist, Britto, using his paintings to inspire our own creations. Our dimensions topic has focused on Scotland, conservation, and endangered species.

The year 3 and 4 classes took part in the Mini Olympics at the Meres centre and came first in the flag competition. Go team, GHF!



# Year 5



Navigators have had a taste of secondary school, when we visited Walton Academy for the day, and Priory Ruskin maths department for the morning. At Walton, we experienced Science, Performing Arts, Maths and French. At Priory, the children tackled maths problem solving and worked alongside children from other primary schools.



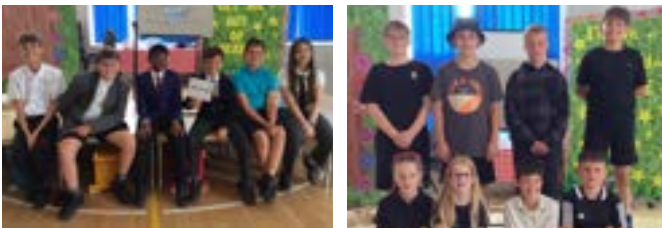
Science has seen us testing the properties of materials, and discovering how to separate items from water. We have learned about subtracting decimals in maths, and we have dramatised scenes from our new reading book, 'Wonder'.



# CLASS OF

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## Year 6



Navigators LG have been through so much together since they first stepped through the doors of GHF in 2018 for Reception class with Mrs Geraghty.

They have alternated between years together and years apart since then, but have grown closer than ever in Year 6, bonding through the SATs preparations, on our residential trip to Aylmerton, and in our fabulous production of 'I'm an 11 Year Old : Get Me Out Of Here'.

The children have grown so much in self-confidence and maturity over this academic year. We have been so impressed by how consistently tolerant and supportive of each other they have been. Some classes really leave a positive lasting impression on a school, and this group of children will be very much missed - congratulations and bravo to the Navigators LG class of 2025.