



Learning happily together

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to those parents and carers who came to the Foundation Stage Information Evening last week – if you were not able to attend, the handouts from the meeting are on our school website, in the class pages.

We are also aware that a small number of parents and carers have not been receiving our text messages, we have looked into this, and Scholarpack have informed us that the issue has been resolved, but please let us know if you believe you are still not receiving text messages – thank you.



PINS Project

There is still time to share your views in the Parent Carer Survey as part of the Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) project.

The survey is for **all parents and carers**, and is short (13 quick questions), anonymous, and only takes a few minutes to complete. By taking part, you'll help us understand what is working well, and where changes could be made to make our school even better for all of our children.

Please access the survey here:

Survey link: <https://forms.office.com/e/Mt2QJzBwmr>

... or use this QR code:



The survey closes at midnight on Monday, 22 September, thank you to everyone who has already taken part.



Parent Governor Nominations

The Local Governing Body of the school are seeking nominations for new Parent Governors as we currently have two vacancies. Your child will have brought home a letter about the nomination process, a nomination form, and some information about who is eligible to be a Governor.

If you have any questions, or would like to know more about what is involved in being a Parent Governor please feel free to contact the School Office to talk to me, or to arrange a meeting with one of our current Governors.



FSA Logo Competition

The FSA would like a new logo, and they would like the children to help design it. They are going to hold a competition to design the new logo, and your child will have a flyer in their Book Bag today explaining how they can get involved.



Book Bags

Please would parents and carers make sure that their child has a school Book Bag for their Learning Journal, reading books, and letters from school. Book Bags cost £4.50 and are available from the School Office (we do have a couple of “pre-loved” ones for just 50p). Children in receipt of the Pupil Premium Grant may pay a reduced price of £2 for a Book Bag.

Some children have started putting their letters and reading books in rucksacks, and unfortunately this has led to some letters have going missing and a few books being damaged, so we would like the children to use a proper book bag from now on – thank you.



Meet the Teacher Evening

On Thursday, 25 September we are holding a ‘Meet the Teacher’ evening from 3.45 – 5pm. This is a chance for you to call in to school with your child, say ‘hello’ to the staff, have a look around the classroom, and see any work your child has already started. This will be an informal occasion, so if you have any specific concerns or issues you wish to discuss with your child’s teacher, it would be better to make a separate appointment at another time to do this.

Later in the term we will be holding more formal Parents’ Evenings to discuss your child’s attainment and progress.



White Rose “1 Minute Maths” App

At our school we follow the ‘White Rose Maths’ scheme during our daily Maths lessons. To help support your child with their Maths we would like to share with you an app that White Rose have produced specifically for children of infant school age.

The app helps to improve the children’s fluency with numbers and number bonds. As a rough guide we would suggest that in children in Foundation begin by focussing on the subitising section. For Year One the subitising section would be a good recap, then they could look at adding and subtracting within 20, and also move onto multiplication and division by 2 and 10. In Year Two any of the addition and subtraction sections, plus multiplying and dividing by 2, 5, and 10 will help support your child.

Please keep an eye on your child’s class page on the school website to see what they are doing each week in Maths. You could then match the app activities to your child’s learning in school. If you need any further advice, please email your child’s class teacher or Mrs Segasby, who is our Maths Lead, her e-mail address is: s.segasby@lwi.org.uk You can download the app for free, please follow this link for more information: <https://whiterosemaths.com/1-minute-maths#download>

Finally, with this newsletter there is a flyer from Parent Carer Forum about a well-being day in Newark for parents and carers of children with additional needs, and also a newsletter from the Healthy Families Team.

Thank you for your continued support,

A.E. Speed

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Headteacher



Dates for Your Diary

Monday, 22 September
Tuesday, 23 September
Thursday, 25 September

School Council Elections
PINS Coffee Morning
3.45 – 5pm “Meet the Teacher” evening

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| Thursday, 2 October | Mental Health workshops for Y1 classes | |
| Monday, 6 October | Harvest Festival in Southwell Minster | |
| Tuesday, 7 October | SCARF (PSHE) workshops for F2 & Y2 children | |
| | Newark Advertiser taking F2 class photos | *new date |
| Thursday, 9 October | 3.30 – 5pm Open Evening for parents & carers of children starting school in September 2026 | |
| Friday, 10 October | FSA AGM & Quiz for parents and carers | *new date |
| Friday, 17 October | Bramley Apple Day! <i>Break up for the half term holiday</i> | |
| Monday, 3 November | School re-opens for the second half of the Autumn Term | |
| Friday, 7 November | Grandparents' Day | |
| Tuesday, 11 November | Mansfield Toy Museum workshops for Y1 | |
| | Parents' Evening 3.45pm – 6.15pm | |
| Thursday, 13 November | Parents' Evening 3.45pm – 6.15pm | |
| Friday, 14 November | Children in Need Day | |
| Tuesday, 25 November | 3.30 – 5pm Open Evening for parents & carers of children starting school in September 2026 | |
| Friday, 28 November | Christmas Craft Day | |
| <i>New dates to add...</i> | | |
| Tuesday, 9 December | 4pm School Choir Concert | |
| Friday, 12 December | School closed for INSET | |
| Monday, 15 December | 5.15pm Y1 Christmas Concert | |
| Tuesday, 16 December | 2pm Y1 Christmas Concert | |
| | 5.15pm F2 Christmas Concert | |
| Wednesday, 17 December | 2pm F2 Christmas Concert | |
| | 5.15pm Y2 Christmas Concert | |
| Thursday, 18 December | 2pm Y2 Christmas Concert | |
| Friday, 19 December | Party Day <i>Break up for the Christmas Holidays</i> | |
| Monday, 5 January 2026 | School re-opens for the Spring Term | |



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