

# South View News

### December 2018

#### Note from the Headteacher

Not long now! Christmas is a comin'!

Thank you for all your wonderful support this year already for our children. Parents have been extremely generous with their time this year and we've had a huge number of parents volunteering and offering support.

For parent's information, our school priorities for this academic year are:

- 1. To Improve Reading and Writing (and across the wider curriculum)
- 2. To improve the progress of all children through accurate and consistent assessment
- 3. To develop a curriculum that promotes multicultural understanding

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable break, here's wishing you all a Merry Christmas!



#### **Dates for your diary:**

14<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Jumper day and Christmas lunch

18<sup>th</sup> December – Christingle Service

20th December – Last day of term

7<sup>th</sup> January – Children back to school

16<sup>th</sup> Jan – FOSV meeting 6:30pm

29<sup>th</sup> January – Year 6 height and weight (school nursing team)

5<sup>th</sup> February – Year 5 and 6 at YOUNG VOICES

15<sup>th</sup> February – last day of half term.

25<sup>th</sup> Feb – Children back to school

5<sup>th</sup> March – Parent's Evening

6<sup>th</sup> March – Parent's Evening

12th March - Class group school photos

13<sup>th</sup> March – FOSV meeting – 6:30pm

#### **ParentMail**

Our current 'Management in Schools' system' now feeds information into ParentMail, so if you make a change to your email address or phone number it will update as soon as Mrs Munton inputs the new information. HOWEVER, ParentMail will contact you to ask you to approve the update. Please ensure you approve any updates within 7 days of your notification or you may miss vital communication from us. Thank you.

#### Volunteers

If you have any spare time during the school day and you are able to come into school to support with reading or general bits and pieces, please contact us with your availability.

#### **Parking**

Thank you to all the parents who have brought the issue of parking to our attention. As a school we only have the power to encourage visitors to park responsibly, and try to bring the issue of safeguarding to the attention of 'poor parkers'! We have asked the local PSCOs to monitor the parking at the school which they have done on a few occasions, but as they cannot be here all the time this then slips. Recently 2 of our school governors offered to be at the front of school to answer any questions about parking, and to keep a watchful eye on the situation. Having spoken again to our local PCSO they have been advised to ask any concerned parents to take down the registration



plates/photograph the cars of visitors they feel are parking unsafely near school, and they will then intervene. The PCSO for our school is Nicola Timms on <u>07976947132</u>. She can also be contacted on <u>nicola.timms@lincs.pnn.police.uk</u> if you happen to have photographic evidence of the offence.

We hope this will lead to a safer drop-off and pick-up for our children.

#### **Support at Christmas**

It's that time of year where some families struggle to buy gifts for their kids. If you have any 'nearly new' toys you could donate to school to be redistributed (confidentially) to families, please pass these to Mrs T or Mrs Strickland. We guarantee they'll go to a good home!

#### **Attendance Phone calls**

If your child is poorly please ensure you telephone school and let us know so that we don't need to phone you to check where they are. Also, if your child has a medical appointment, please bring in the medical appointment card so that we can take a copy for their file. Thank you



Please ensure your children are dropped off to school in good time, missing the beginning of the school day can set us all off to a hectic start!

#### **Raising Concerns**

If at any point you feel it necessary to voice a concern about anything relating to your child, please make an appointment with your child's class teacher in the first instance. If you do not feel that the issue has resolved, then the phase leaders are:

EYFS and KS1 - Mrs Gray

LKS2 - Miss Patmore

UKS2 - Miss Bell

Mrs Henderson (Deputy Headteacher) will be happy to have a further discussion with you but if you feel the issue remains unresolved then this will be referred to the head.

#### **Year 4 Parents**

Next week is Mr Taylor's last whole class brass lesson with the children. If your child has enjoyed these lessons and would like to continue after Christmas with an individual or group lesson, please contact Mrs Tomlins through the school office.

#### **Snow Days**

In the event of a SNOW DAY over the coming months please check your ParentMails, our Twitter feed and local radio stations. If school needs to be closed in the interests of safety a decision will be made as early as we can so that parents can make alternative arrangements.

	ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-2019
Term 1	
Term 2	Ends 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2018
Term 3	Begins 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019
	Ends 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
Term 4	Begins 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
	Ends 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2019
Term 5	Begins 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019
	Ends 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2019
Term 6	Begins 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2019
	Ends 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2019
	TRAINING DAYS (No school for children) 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2019, 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2019
	One day over academic year as twilight sessions

## "Hand in hand we learn together"

