



South View News

February 2019

Updates from Mrs Tomlins

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Elliott, our Foundation Teacher, is expecting her first baby! I'm sure you will join the staff and children in congratulating her.

We will be saying goodbye to Miss Patmore and HELLO MRS MITCHEM as Miss Patmore will be getting married during half term. I wonder how many times she forgets and signs her letters as C Patmore!

We'd like to say a big thank you to Mrs Day who has been covering Miss Stanojevic's class for the past 6 weeks, she's been amazing and we hope she will pop back to South View to see us (especially when she's had her baby!)

Thank you for bearing with us over the past few weeks in relation to cover arrangements. We've had an unprecedented number of staff catching the bugs going round and have also found that supply agencies are having the same issue with THEIR teachers! I think we've definitely kept the local pharmacy in business.

Have a great half term break everyone!

Mrs T

Dates for your diary:

25th Feb – Children back to school
5th March – Parent's Evening 3:40 – 6:00
6th March – Parent's Evening 4:30 – 7:00
26th – Dress Rehearsal for KS2 Cresset dancers
27th Cresset Dance Show – Evening Performance, details to follow
13th March – Year 1 out at Tattershall Castle.
13th March – FOSV meeting – 6:30pm
22nd March – 3:30 – School Discos for KS1 followed by KS2, details to follow.
26th March – Year 5 Trip to National Space Centre
29th March – Mother's Day Lunch, details to follow.
2nd April – Year 3 and 4 production to parents 1:45pm
3rd April – Year 3 and 4 production to parents 9:30
3rd April – Year 3 and 4 production to parents 5:30pm
5th April, last day of school for Spring Term for the children.

Young Voices

Thank you to all for the positive feedback received around our Young Voices trip. The children (and staff) had an amazing time. Mrs Speechley, as ever did a FANTASTIC job organising the event. I have suggested that maybe, as a thank you, next year she could have a year off organising and attending YV? ...if looks could kill! So, I am delighted to announce that booking for next year is opening for schools on Monday 18th of February and we WILL BE BOOKING FOR NEXT YEAR!

Let the build up begin! (Oh, and don't forget to go and look at our personalised video message from Tony Hadley on our twitter feed...Mrs Speechley really is a cheeky monkey!)

NITS

Please could all parents check (and possibly treat) their children for headlice over the half term break. We have had a few reports of these little critters over the past few days so a check would be really helpful. Thank you

Parking

Thank you to all the parents who have brought the issue of parking to our attention. As a school we only have to 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 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 [07976947132](tel:07976947132). She can also be contacted on nicola.timms@lincs.pnn.police.uk 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.

Mrs T

Attendance Phonecalls

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. Please ensure you give us a REASON for absence, not simply that your child will not be in. This helps us track any specific bugs/illnesses and warn other parents if necessary.

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 – **Mrs Mitchem**

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.

Term Dates

Our Term Dates are now on the school website. Please check these before booking any holidays.

Online Safety

We have recently been alerted to some very concerning online safety issues and concerns about children's mobile phone use occurring out of school time. We are currently look at inviting in the NSPCC to reiterate our work on online safety with our children and then stay to talk with parents. In the meantime I advise parents to look at this website: <https://www.tigermobiles.com/blog/how-to-protect-your-children-on-their-smartphone/>

You may trust your child...but do you trust who could be speaking with them? It's always best to check!

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE spend time over the next few days going through your child's devices (including mobile phones) checking age restrictions for apps, message content, times that your child is chatting with others and online history! It's a jungle out there.

“Hand in hand we learn together”