

**Achievers** – Stefan, Benjamin, Jed, Esme, Samuel, Edward, Eliza, Sophia and Scarlett.

*(These children have been identified by the adults in school as demonstrating one of our values, we present them with a certificate in Friday assembly and invite their parents to come and watch.)*

**Over and Abovers** – Junior, Seb, Holly, Harry, Koby, Kierra-Louise, Chadley and Harry.

*(These children always go over and above! We talk about why and how they go over and above in Friday assembly.)*

**Endeavourers** – Isobel, Hetty, Nylah, Vincent, Isaac, Bertie, Holly, Ruby and Daniel.

*(Children earn endeavourers tickets for endeavouring, excelling or enjoying their learning. We pull one ticket out of each class box during assembly on Friday. The winners enjoy a cup of hot chocolate on Friday afternoon.)*

### **Reception Class Admission – September 2023**

*If you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019, and haven't already done so, you can apply for a primary school place online by visiting [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions) by 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023. After this date a telephone application can be made by phoning 01522 782030.*

### **Information from the Pupil Wellbeing Group**

*Children's Mental Health Week will take place from 6 - 12 February 2023. The week is run by children's mental health charity Place2Be and aims to shine a light on the importance of children and young people's mental health. This year's theme is Let's Connect.*

*Human beings are intrinsically connected to each other, and human connection is vital for the wellbeing and survival of all individuals. People with positive connections to family, friends and others often experience better mental health than those who are less well connected. Let's Connect is all about forming positive connections with others.*

*On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February, the children are invited to take part in a Dress to Express day. They could wear their favourite colour or a unique outfit to express how they are feeling or something that tells other about themselves such as a sports kit or dance outfit. Dress to Express is an opportunity for self-expression and celebrating a diverse range of emotions. We will spend time during the day looking at how we can connect with other people through what we wear and what we are interested in.*

### **PTA Christmas Jumper Appeal!**

*Are you having a clear out after Christmas? Have you got any children's Christmas jumpers that will be too small for them next year? If the answer is yes, then you can recycle them here at school. The PTA will keep them safe until the next Christmas Market on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023 where all the pre-loved jumpers collected will be sold on the PTA stall, with all money raised going to PTA school projects. You can send the jumpers in with your children or pop them into the school office. Thank you.*

### **PTA Events**

Please see enclosed a leaflet advertising our next Movie Night, to be held Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February. If you wish your child to attend it is important that the money, in a named envelope, is handed into the school office **before the end of the school day on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February**. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Other upcoming events are:

6<sup>th</sup> March – PTA Meeting at the Turks Head 7.30pm – all welcome.

16<sup>th</sup> March – School Disco (further information to follow).

2<sup>nd</sup> April – Easter Egg Hunt – details below.

### **WOW Challenge**

Thank you so much to those of you who have embraced the WOW Challenge by walking, scooting, cycling or striding (parking a little away from school and walking in). We gave out our December badges last week to our lucky individuals. We are currently recording your journeys to school and our school is currently winning the January WOW challenge in Lincolnshire and 90 out of the whole country. If you've not managed to take part yet there is still time.

We are also running a WOW badge competition. The entry form has been sent with this email. If you would like a paper copy then please let the office know or email me directly.

### **Library Books**

We are constantly adding to our school library. We want a current, inclusive and diverse offer of books for our children to be able to identify with and relate to. We have audited the library books and staff have created a wish list which we think represents our school community.

If you would like to gift a book to our library, please click on <https://www.anewchapterbooks.com> Click on "wish lists" (top left, blue background), click "view store", scroll down and click "Wishlists +" and choose Heighington Millfield Primary School and then, if you are able to / would like to, choose a book and gift it to school. It will be wrapped, posted to us and then we will add a bookplate to show that the book has been donated by a parent, grandparent or friend of the school.

We appreciate there is a lot of demands on people and families at the current time and any book would be gratefully received. We thank you in anticipation and thank you all for your continued support.

### **Internet Safety**

To support this term's online safety focus of "Self Image and Identity" please find enclosed with this Newsletter, a poster giving information on social pressures linked to likes.

### **TERM DATES 2022 / 23**

Term 3 - Wednesday 4th January 2023 to Friday 10th February 2023

Term 4 - Monday 20th February 2023 to Friday 31st March 2023

Bank Holidays – Friday 7th April & Monday 10th April 2023

Term 5 - Monday 17th April 2023 to Friday 26th May 2023

Bank Holidays – Monday 1<sup>st</sup>, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May & Monday 29th May 2023

Term 6 - Monday 5th June 2023 to Wednesday 19th July 2023

### **TERM DATES 2023 / 24**

Term 1 - Tuesday 5th September 2023 to Friday 20th October 2023

Term 2 - Monday 30th October 2023 to Friday 15th December 2023

Bank Holidays – Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th December 2023 & Monday 1st January 2024

Term 3 - Wednesday 3rd January 2024 to Friday 9th February 2024

Term 4 - Monday 19th February 2024 to Thursday 28th March 2024

Bank Holidays – Friday 29th March & Monday 1st April 2024

Term 5 - Monday 15th April 2024 to Friday 24th May 2024

Bank Holidays – Monday 6th & Monday 27th May 2024

Term 6 - Monday 3rd June 2024 to Friday 19th July 2024



## SEND coffee afternoon

Tuesday 7th February

2:00pm - 3:00pm

For this term's SEND get together we have invited **Odette Read** from the **Dyslexia Outreach and Specialist Teaching Team**. Odette will be sharing her expertise and giving some useful tips and strategies on how to support your child with reading and spelling at home.

*Please do not feel that this is solely for those parents whose child has a diagnosis - anyone who is a little worried about reading and spelling is very welcome.*

If you would like to join us to come and listen, have questions answered or enjoy a slice of cake with other parents who might be experiencing similar challenges, please book your place by emailing Miss Hughes on [DHughes@prioryacademies.co.uk](mailto:DHughes@prioryacademies.co.uk) or give the school a ring on 01522 872625.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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Lincolnshire Community Health Services  
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Children's Therapy Services

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New website supporting Lincolnshire parents and families.

Our services >

Show accessibility tools

[www.lincolnshirechildrenstherapyservices.nhs.uk](http://www.lincolnshirechildrenstherapyservices.nhs.uk)



# MOVIE

# N I G H T



\\ Thursday 9th February ///

Show time 3.15. Pick up 5.20pm.

Tickets £3 (includes popcorn and squash)

Please send money into school in an envelope with your child's name on.

Tickets must be bought by Wednesday 8th February.

# Village Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday 2nd April

10.30am - 1.30pm



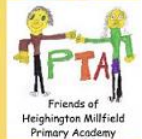
£2 per sheet

with a chocolate prize every time.

Pick up your sheet from

Heighington Millfield Primary Academy.

Raffle and games available from 50p.



## Dates

Below is our first list of dates for the coming year. We will endeavour to stick to the dates published as much as possible however things happen as the year progresses. We will send you more information when we get closer to the event.

### Week beginning 30.01.2023

Branston Sports Festival for a group of year 5 & 6 - Football - 9:45 – 12:30

### Week beginning 06.02.2023

8th Feb - parent stay and play – Barley

9th Feb – PTA Movie Night 3.15pm – 5.20pm

### Week beginning 13.02.2023

Half-term

### Week beginning 20.02.2023

Chicks / Ducks for Barley

20th February - Safer Stranger - PCSO Will with year 5 & 6 - 1:15 - 3:15 (hall)

### Week beginning 27.02.2023

World Book Day

### Week beginning 06.03.2023

6th March – PTA Meeting at the Turks Head 7.30pm

Parent's Evenings

### Week beginning 13.03.2023

PGL for year 4 12th - 15th March

British Science Week

16th March - PTA Disco

### Week beginning 20.03.2023



*Vulcan class assembly*

*Wheat class assembly*

*22nd March Rye's class assembly*

*Branston Sports Festival for a group of year 3 & 4 - Benchball*

**Week beginning 27.03.2023**

*29th March - parent stay and play – Barley*

*Lancaster class assembly*

*Year 5 class assembly*

*28th March Poplar class assembly*

*29th March Willow class assembly*

*2<sup>nd</sup> April – PTA Easter Egg Hunt*

**Week beginning 03.04.2023**

*Easter Holiday*

**Week beginning 10.04.2023**

*Easter Holiday*

**Week beginning 17.04.2023**

**Week beginning 24.04.2023**

*24th April Scam Awareness - PCSO Will - Year 5 & 6 - 1:15 - 3:15 (hall)*

**Week beginning 01.05.2023**

*Rand Farm - Year 2*

*3rd May - Branston Sports Festival for a group of year 3 & 4 - Swimming 9:30 - 11*

**Week beginning 08.05.2023**

**Week beginning 15.05.2023**

**Week beginning 22.05.2023**

*24<sup>th</sup> May - parents stay & play – Barley*

*24<sup>th</sup> May - Branston Sports Festival for a group of year 5 & 6 - Swimming - 9:30 -11*

**Week beginning 29.05.2023**

*Half-term*

**Week beginning 05.06.2023**

**Week beginning 12.06.2023**

*People who help us visitors day – Barley*

*Careers week*

*12th June - Personal Responsibility - PCSO Will - Year 5 & 6 - 1:15 - 3:15 (hall)*

*Sports days*

*Reception, year 1 & 2 - 12th June*

*Year 3 & 4 - 14th June*

*Year 5 & 6 - 16th June*

**Week beginning 19.06.2023**

*Bikeability for year 5*

*23<sup>rd</sup> June- Branston Sports Festival for a group of year 3, 4, 5 & 6 - Athletics 10 - 2*

**Week beginning 26.06.2023**

*1st July – Summer Fayre*

**Week beginning 03.07.2023**

**Week beginning 10.07.2023**

*Year 5 & 6 Production*

**Week beginning 17.07.2023**

*Meeting the New Teacher*