

# Heckington St Andrew's C of E Primary School Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Thank you very much to everyone who came to help at the grounds event earlier this week. In total 64 children and adults worked together and the school is looking great!

The children have been feeding back to us that they are finding lining up in the morning tricky and a bit confusing, as currently parents and children are all lining up together. The children have said this is making it difficult to keep in their lines as they come in. To try and help, from Monday next week there will be two bells. At the first bell, we ask that parents say goodbye and move towards the rear of the playground leaving children only in the line, then on the second bell the children will walk inside. We hope that this will help children and staff to make sure everyone gets inside school safely, and we thank you for your assistance with this.

As you have seen from the addition of a new gate near the swimming pool, we are currently updating security around the school premises in order to maximise safety for all our pupils. The next stage will be to add locks to all external doors so that access to the building is via the main entrance only. In the meantime, we ask that all parents and visitors to school only access the building via the main entrance. Please sign in and use a visitor badge, including before and after school. We thank you for your help in ensuring we have the highest safety standards at our school.

You will receive a separate Parenthub message next week explaining how to sign up for this term's parent teacher meetings, please ring or ask at the office if you have any difficulty with the new system.

We look forward to seeing parents and families at our Harvest Festival service in St. Andrew's Church next Friday at 2p.m.

Helen Hilton

Interim Head Teacher

### HARVEST FESTIVAL

ALL CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO BRING A DONATION OF TINNED OR DRIED FOOD ON 29 SEPTEMBER AS A HARVEST GIFT, TO BE GIVEN TO SLEAFORD FOOD LARDER

THANK YOU

Please see next page for diary dates coming up this term



Macmillan Coffee Morning and School Open Morning Friday 29th September Coffee available from 9.00-10.30

Classrooms open 9.30-10.30

Please can you help—we would appreciate any cakes or donations of raffle prizes.



House points

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## **NSPCC**

This term we are working with the NSPCC, helping children to know how to stay safe. As part of the project we are supporting NSPCC by completing a sponsored event. All children should have brought home a 'Buddy's big workout' sheet which explains the event to take place on 25th September when they will take part in a Dance-a-thon throughout the day. Please help us to help the NSPCC by sponsoring your child to take part.

Please return forms and sponsor money by Monday 2nd October.

#### PUPIL INFO

We are sending home pupil information sheets for all pupils today in order to update our records.

Please complete and return to school as soon as possible.

Thank you.

#### PTFA

The first meeting for our PTFA will take place in school on

Monday 9th October at 7.30pm

Please do come along to find out more, meet new people and how you can help to support your child through events and fundraising—we look forward to seeing you!

# **Diary Dates**

25 September—NSPCC Sponsor Day (workshops for Y5 & Y6 on 27 September)

Friday 29 September—MacMillan Coffee Morning and Open Classrooms—coffee available in the hall from 9.00, classrooms open from 9.30—10.30am.

Friday 29 September—Harvest Festival service in St. Andrew's Church at 2.00pm. All welcome to join us for this special service—donations of dried and tinned food for the Food Larder welcomed

Monday 2nd October—NSPCC Parent Workshop, 9.00—10.00a.m.— this is a practical workshop to support parents with keeping children safe online.

Monday 9 October—PTFA meeting 7.30p.m.

Thursday 12 October—Family & Individual Photographs with Tempest Photography
Tuesday 17 & Thursday 19 October—Parent Teacher Interviews. We will be using a new

online booking system for these sessions to enable all parents to book times. More information will be sent out about how to use the system nearer the time.

Friday 20 October-last day of term. School returns on Tuesday 31 October.