



# NEWSLETTER 2017

## Good News!

We are delighted to share the news that Mrs K Wood gave birth to her first child, a baby girl, over the Easter weekend. Both mum and baby are doing well and we can't wait for her first visit to school – what a lovely way to start the Summer Term!



Each term of the school year is busy and we try to create as many learning opportunities and fun activities into the year as we can. The Summer Term, however, always seems to be the busiest! **In May we have all the government directed assessments for Year 2 and Year 6 and more of the same for Year 1 in June. It is really important children attend school the maximum amount of time over this period to give them the best possible chance to do well.** With the warmer weather, we try to get out and about more be it for outdoor sports, day trips or the Year 6 residential visit. During Term 5 we will be welcoming **Louth Cricket Club's overseas player, Xander Pitchers from South Africa**, to lead cricket during Y5/6 PE on a Thursday followed by an after school club for junior age children. Very soon we will be talking of Sports Days and other competitions so please keep an eye on the school website Calendar. It will be great to see the children out on the grass again!

Anticipating a warm couple of months ahead it is very important that we educate the children as to how to **keep safe in hot weather, avoid sunburn, headaches and dehydration**. If the sun shines please send your child to school with a **named sun hat** each day (no sunglasses please), an hour outside for PE or half an hour at lunch time is a long time to be in full sun. A named water bottle should also be sent in daily.

Also, can you please **apply sun cream to exposed areas before your child comes to school** – a high factor cream will last most of the day. If you wish your child to bring sun cream, they may do so, but they are responsible for it and please no sharing of lotion as it may not be suitable for another child. Sadly, we are not allowed to apply cream to children ourselves. Please remind your child that covering up is still the best way to avoid burning - so keep your shirt on! If you were at this year's school talent show you will have witnessed the 'never to be seen again' staff performance of a 'Summer Days' Grease Dance Medley! Let's make sure the only 'Pink Ladies' we see this summer were on stage and not those suffering from sunburn!

**Slap on a hat–Slop on the sun cream–Slip on a shirt!**

*Mr P Fox*

Headteacher



## Wear something green for Buddy!

On **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

we will be supporting the NSPCC by wearing an item of green clothing amongst our normal uniform and asking parents to donate £1/child to this worthy cause.

The new theme for our PSHEE lessons and worship times for **Term 5 is Relationships**. We will think about life, loss, family, friendships and fall outs!



## Summer Uniform

### Footwear:

Many parents of younger children ask if their child may wear sandals with open toes and without socks to school when it is hot. This issue caused much debate at governors previously where it was discussed how far we balance parental choice with school health and safety. **Sandals without socks** could lead to nasty cuts and grazes to toes should a child trip when running on the playground. *It was agreed that although Governors felt that the practice was inadvisable, it is ultimately a parent's responsibility and sandals could be worn, but at the parents' own risk* (no trainers please)

### Shorts & Skirts:

We do want the children to remain as smart as possible, even in the summer, so if children wish to wear shorts could you please ensure they are of the grey tailored variety and not sport or fashion shorts. Some creative parents recycle old trousers that have holes in the knee and turn them into shorts! **The whole point of a school uniform is to create a school identity, look smart and avoid competitive dressing by wearing the 'right label' or 'in' style.**

## Louth Skate Park



You may remember that we raised money last year for the Louth Skate Park. Mrs. Andrews is thrilled to report that the skate park ramps are now under construction and the expected date of completion is mid May. Thank you for your continued support.

## April dates to remember

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>** - 9am NSPCC Parent workshop/  
1pm New Age Kurling @ Cordeaux  
**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>** - NSPCC Assemblies to School  
**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>** - FS Beekeeper Visit/  
Y3/4 Tri Golf at London Road  
**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>** - NSPCC Y5/6 Workshops



### Non - uniform day for Jacob (The Children's Hospital Charity)

We are thrilled to report that the Non-uniform day held on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017 raised a **massive £366!** This has now been added to Jacob's Just Giving total. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Do you have any old (clean) cushions or beanbags that could be used in classes for reading corners?

If so, please feel free to bring them into the school office. Thank you.



### Do you have any unwanted children's comics or magazines at home?

If so, please send them into the school office.

We hope that children will curl up with a comic and a cushion in one of our informal reading corners.

### PTFA News

The Easter Discos were very successful and raised an amazing profit of £577!!

**Save the date - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July**  
Y6 Leavers' Disco

### Co-op Local Community Fund

We are delighted to have been selected to receive funding from the Co-op Local Community Fund.

If you are a Co-op member, please log into your Co-op Membership Account and choose us as your cause at:

[www.coop.co.uk/membership](http://www.coop.co.uk/membership)

For the next 6 months, every time a member buys co-op branded products, 1% of the spend goes to a local cause (by choosing St Michael's, we'll receive all of the donation).



### After hours use of school facilities

Please can we remind everyone that once the children are released at 3.30pm, they are the responsibility of their parent/carer(s). We appreciate that now the weather has improved, some parents may wish their children to take advantage of the trim trail for a short while before going home. Children should not be entering into any gated off (play) areas of the school nor returning into the building for any reason.

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS TERM 5

**Monday - Grimsby Town Football Club - 3.30 - 4.30pm for Years 1, 2 & 3**  
Commencing Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April for 4 weeks - £12 per child

(Please collect a GTFC consent form from the office if your child wishes to attend this club)

**Tuesday - Football Club - Mr. Marritt - 3.30 - 4.30pm for Y3 to Y6**  
Commencing Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April

**Thursday - Cricket Club - Mr P Fox & Xander Pitchers - 3.30 - 4.30pm for Y3 to Y6 (Now Full)**  
**Baseline Club - Louth Generations Church - 3.30 - 4.30pm for Y1 to Y6**  
Commencing Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April

So all children have the opportunity to join in, previous club registers will be cleared. Please call into the school office for a slip if you wish your child to continue or join any of the clubs.

If, once signed up, your child will not be attending the club for any reason on a given date, please let the office know as we have a duty of care to know that they are safe if not here.

**TERM 5 WILL END ON 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY AND TERM 6 WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2017**