

Navenby Church of England Primary School

School website: www.navenbyschool.com



NEWSLETTER 28th November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

FOOTBALL

Last Friday, we went to Sleaford Town Football Club to take part in Carre's Football Tournament. There were 8 schools taking part, playing in a single league format. The day started well with two victories against Tattershall and Walcott but our third game brought us back down to earth, a 1-0 loss to the Alvey. This, however, didn't dampen our spirits and we showed our school values of resilience and collaboration as we went on to win all of our remaining fixtures, matches against Leasingham, Cranwell, Winchelsea and Winthorpe. The Alvey, despite beating us, managed to only draw two of their other fixtures which meant they finished with 17 points and we had 18. The team won the gold medals and another trophy for our cabinet! I was immensely proud of them for sticking together and meeting each challenge head on. Hopefully, we should now go on to represent our Carre's Partnership at the County Finals.

My thanks also to Mr Goodwin, Mrs Biriny, Mr Betteridge and Mr Good for transporting the children and supporting them throughout the day.



'CASHLESS' SCHOOL

Navenby School will be looking to become a cashless school (no cash nor cheques). As you will have seen, for charity events we have been using *Just Giving* for donations and this is going to continue for future charity events. Payments for school trips/swimming etc will be paid online through our

Arbor account (we currently use 'Wisepay' but we will be leaving them after Christmas) or directly into the school bank account. 'WisePay' will still be used for a limited time for the existing trips which have already been set up, eg PGL or a class trip for your child which is due to take place before the Spring Term 2. Any credit on your child's 'WisePay' account for these trips will be moved to the new system. You will be able to access Arbor payments through your current Arbor App. Payments for Breakfast Club bookings will be through childcare vouchers or bank transfer only. If anyone needs any advice on this switch then please contact Mrs Howard in the school office.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP COUNCILLORS

The collective worship councillors have been leading class workshops across the school this half term, teaching everyone about the different types of prayer, using a teaspoon!



Teaspoon

The classes were asked to think about what they could ask God for, what they might thank God for or what they might need to apologise for.

T Thankyou
S Sorry
P Please



On the 10th December the collective worship councillors are leading a whole school Collective Worship on our Christian value of Peace with the help of Mr Housam, one of our Foundation Governors.

We are Navenby's Collective Worship Councillors - Ines, George, Lexi and Esme.

KS1 NATIVITY

For this year's performances, there will be no physical tickets allocated. Your confirmation of tickets will be sent to you via Arbor. Please also note no raffle tickets (£1 each) can be purchased on the day to win a hamper (items donated by the staff team). These must be purchased in advance through Arbor/trips.

Can I also remind parents that no photography or filming of the Nativity should take place. Please abide by these safeguarding rules. Any person who tries to film and is seen by a member of staff will be asked to delete the photos and video. Thank you in advance for the safety and protection of our children.

CARRE'S HOLIDAY CAMP

Attached to the newsletter is a flyer outlining some of the activities that are on offer from Carre's during the festive period. They will be running some festive activities on Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd December between 8.30 and 3.30pm. Cost is £25 per day and bookings can be made by following the QR code on the flyer.

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to all the parents who completed the recent parent questionnaire (available on the ipads at parents' evening).

Below are the results:

Question	Always/most of the time %
My child enjoys school	99%
Navenby School keeps my child safe	100%
The school helps my child maintain a healthy lifestyle	98%
The school promotes positive values between all members of the school community	99%
I feel able to approach the school for support or to share my suggestions	96%
I value the fact that Navenby promotes Christian values	93%
The school communicates well with me	96%

I am very happy with these results particularly the first, second and fourth questions. In regards to the other areas we will continue to work hard at showing parents the value of sending their children to a church school, particularly through our school vision about 'family' and the work we are doing on Christian Values and spirituality. And again I urge all parents to keep reading the weekly newsletter and the information on the website as everything you need to know will be on there. Thank you.

STAYING SAFE ONLINE

We have been sent details from the Stay Safe Partnership of an online safety webinar for parents. These are **free** to attend however **sign up is required**.


Discover Your Child's Digital World

Learn the latest on:

- ✓ Age-appropriate apps and games
- ✓ Online trends and social media
- ✓ Parental controls and practical tools

Feel confident keeping your child safe while they explore online.

 3rd December 6pm-7:30pm

 Sign up now:

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/staysafepartnership/1929114>

#OnlineSafety #Parents #Lincolnshire #StaySafe

Miss Reeder – Designated Safeguarding Lead

NAVENBEES

Every second and fourth Friday of the month there is a group called 'NavenBees' at Mrs Smith's Cottage between 11am-12pm. This is a toddler group for 2-5 year-olds, with hands-on crafts, stories & rhymes, with a different theme each week. The Cottage is a lovely setting, with the toddlers able to explore inside during the session too!

They also love the children to be involved in nature, and when the weather is nice, they have lots of watering cans for the garden, and sessions where they plant vegetables and flowers.


The sessions are £2 per child (adults free) with no need to book, just drop in at 11am.

For January (Fridays 9th and 23rd) and February (Fridays 13th and 27th), their themes are as follows: Colourful Cottage, Big Garden Birdwatch, Weather and Rainbows.

If you are interested please go along!

FONS

Thank you! A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Christmas Fair last night either by buying Raffle Tickets, attending the fair, donating prizes for the Chocolate Tombola or giving your time to help. It is very much appreciated and remember all money raised goes back into the School for the Children of the School. Raffle Winners- prizes are at Reception ready for collection We will announce profit made from the Fair asap.

Next Event is Christmas Disco. Tickets are already on sale. 

https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/events/view/1386170697?s=1092981282&utm_source=SCHOOL&utm_medium=SHARED_LINK

Our next FONS meeting on Monday has changed location and will now be held in school.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

C Elliott

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Headteacher

DATES (new dates in bold)

We aim to publish dates for any events well in advance so that parents can make any necessary arrangements. Dates in place so far are:

- **1st Dec: FONS meeting at school 8pm**
- 9th Dec: KS1 Nativity to parents 2.15pm
- 10th Dec: KS1 Nativity to parents 2.15pm
- 12th Dec: Xmas Jumper Day (donations in aid of NSPCC); KS1 panto at school
- 16th Dec: KS2 to panto at New Theatre Royal Lincoln; Carol Service at St Peter's Church 6-7pm
- 17th Dec: Rocksteady Concert 2.45pm
- 18th Dec: Christmas Lunch; FONS Xmas Disco
- 19th Dec: End of Term
- 5th January 2026: INSET Day (reading)
- 6th January: Start of term 3
- **8th Jan: football club recommences**
- **15th Jan: Governors meeting 4.30pm**
- **20th Jan: Netball vs Cranwell (A)**
- **22nd Jan: Y1 to Lincoln Castle; football v Cranwell (H)**
- **30th Jan: Y5 to Young Voices**

Please keep looking at the website where these are continually updated and new dates added. Thank you.