



Navenby Church of England Primary School

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NEWSLETTER 10th October 2025



Dear Parents/Carers,

MACMILLAN COFFEE DAY

Thank you to everyone that supported our Macmillan Coffee Day last week by providing cakes, eating cakes and buying cakes at the end of the day! Also, we appreciated the donation of amazing raffle prizes including those from local business; Luke's Barbershop, Petal & Stalk, Orchard Gallery, The Reindeer Fish and Chip Shop, The One-Stop and Welbourne's Bakery. We had excellent attendance and with your generosity, we were able to raise over £673.51! A special thank you to all the Year 4 parents and children for all their hard work.



WALKING TO AND FROM SCHOOL

As the colder and darker weather approaches, can I take this opportunity to remind you about the school's stance on children walking to and from school on their own.

As a rule, we prefer our children to be collected from school (particularly in the darker and wetter months) but we understand that some of the older pupils are trusted to walk to and from school on their own. This is also good preparation for the Year 6s as they head off to secondary school at the end of the year.

If you give your permission for your child to walk home on their own, you will need to complete one of the relevant forms (please see attached to this newsletter and available on the website). This gives your permission for your child to walk home and also outlines the route that your child would

take; the reason for this is if there are any problems we can help trace the steps the child should be taking. Children will not be allowed to walk home on their own if a form hasn't been completed.

Can I also remind you that if your child is going to be collected by someone else away from the 'norm', please contact the school office beforehand, alerting us to who that person is. Again, we will not let children go with other people unless we know, for obvious safeguarding reasons. If you forget to inform us and the adult turns up to take the child, we will ask them to wait until we have made contact with you to ensure this is the process you want. Thank you.

KS1 AND 2 ARCHERY



Last Friday it was the turn of 4 KS1 and 4 KS2 children to try their arm at archery at the Carre's Outreach event. Many had never tried this activity but they all went away wanting to do more of it! They were taught the basics of archery and had lots of chances to put their skills to the test. As can be seen from the 3 pictures above, there were some excellent 'stances' and 't' shapes to get the power and direction behind the arrow. All of them were pleased when they managed to hit the target! Well done to all the children who took part, representing our school so brilliantly yet again. My thanks also to the parents who helped transport the children to and from Cranwell.

CAIRN

On Monday, we will be holding our first cairn service of the year to welcome our new Reception children (and any other new children and staff) to the school. The cairn is a symbol of

our church school family, which as you know is our recently launched new school vision. By placing a pebble on the cairn, your child is joining our school family and agreeing to abide by our values and aims. Pebbles need to be brought into school on Monday morning. Parents are welcome to attend the service on the field at 9.05 if they wish. We look forward to seeing you then.

SAFEGUARDING CONCERN

We have been made aware that several titles in the ***Spy Dogs, Spy Pups and Spy Cat*** series by Andrew Cope contain a weblink at the back of the book that no longer directs people to information about the books. Instead, the link has been compromised and now leads to inappropriate and unsafe material, containing pornographic content with no age restrictions.

Any copies of the books which we have in school have been removed.

Below are images of some of the front covers in the series to help you identify the books should you have any at home. We advise you to remove them immediately. Should any be property of the school, please return them and we will dispose of them accordingly.



FIRE EVACUATION AND LOCKDOWN PRACTICES

We are approaching the time of the year when we will be testing our fire evacuation procedures and our Lockdown procedure for the first time this academic year. Whilst children need to understand that, if there was a real fire, we need to evacuate quickly and quietly without warning, some children are anxious by the alarm sounding in school. The fire alarm took place yesterday with all children executing their part in the evacuation successfully.

I have scheduled the Lockdown practice for w/b 20th October. For parents unfamiliar with this procedure, the Lockdown Policy is available on the school website. Again, we will be talking to the children about the expectations for this practice.

If any parents have any questions then please don't hesitate to contact me in school.

SPORTS REPORTS

Netball vs Leasingham

On Thursday 9th October, Isla, Lily, Lexi, Evie, Sahara, Trixie and Clara played a netball match against Leasingham. Leasingham scored the first goal but Navenby soon caught up. The game went at a quick pace as we were all racing for the win. In the end Navenby won but the score was very close 4-3. Our team was very respectful and showed great teamwork. At the end of the match we chose one of their players to receive a certificate for their teamwork, hope, resilience, determination and respect and they chose someone from our team and the player they chose was Trixie. But we were all winners!

Written by Isla

Well done to all of the team for their first winning match. My thanks to Mrs Howard for running the club and sorting the team and to the parents who assisted with transport.



Football v Leasingham

Our first game of the season was against Leasingham. The weather was warm and dry and we were all buzzing and ready to go! We struggled with the new rules as heading the ball is not allowed and there were pass-ins instead of throw-ins. This took some getting used to but in the end we were fine. Leasingham scored the first goal but Henry P scored an equaliser before half time with a brilliant assist from Henry Ml. After a good team talk and a few substitutions we started the second half. There was some good battling from both teams but Navenby came out on top with a winning goal from Harry. Their team voted for Oliver as our player of the match. Final score was Navenby 2 Leasingham 1.

Written by Oliver

FORCES CLUB ASSEMBLY

This year, the Forces Club and Mrs Woolsey will be leading our Remembrance Service on **Tuesday 11th November** at 9.05am. All parents are invited to attend this but parents

who are in the Forces are particularly welcome. More details about the Service will be released in good time.

HALF TERM SPORTS

Attached to the newsletter is a flier from Carre's outlining the sporting provision they have on offer through the October break. There are a range of activities, including multi skills, indoor hockey, gymnastics and football for children in years 1-7. The sessions last from 8.30 – 3.30pm each day and bookings can be made via the QR code on the flier.

DANCE HUB

The Dance Hub are offering free trials for all of their after school dance classes at One NK, North Hykeham next week. For KS2 children this is on Thursday 16th October 4.30-6.15pm: 7-11yrs Junior Dance Mix (Street & Contemporary)

If you are interested in booking a space or for more information email dance@hub-sleaford.org.uk or message them on social media (Facebook or Instagram) @hubdanceteam

PARENT LUNCHESES

Thank you to those parents who were able to join their child for a Parent Lunch last week. We hope you enjoyed it. To assist us try to reduce the amount of waste we have, please can we ask that you do sit and talk to your child about what meals they enjoy eating at school before you order for them. Thank you.

FONS

Congratulations to the following people who were the first winners of this academic year's 100 Cub draw. As always, a member of the FONS team will be in touch regarding your winnings.

1st prize: 10
2nd prize: 14
3rd prize: 12

There are three new FONS events organised for the Autumn term and details of these are on a flier attached to this newsletter.

- Tuesday 21st October: Movie Night
- Thursday 27th November: Christmas at Navenby
- Thursday 18th December: Christmas Disco

To sign up for tickets or to help volunteer, please use Classlist.

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:

- 13th Oct: Cairn Service 9.05am
- 16th Oct: Reception 2026 open afternoon 1.30pm
- 17th Oct: Nasal flu vaccinations; Netball Qualifiers (9.30 at Navenby)
- 23rd Oct: Last day of term; football match v Caythorpe (H)
- 24th Oct: Staff training (safeguarding)
- 3rd Nov: Start of Term 2
- 6th Nov: YR 2026 Open morning 10am
- 7th Nov: Y3 to Wild Woodcraft
- 11th Nov: Forces Club collective worship 9.05am; YR 2026 open afternoon 1.30pm; Parents' Evening 4 – 7pm
- 13th Nov: Parents Evening 4-7pm
- 18th Nov: Parkour lessons (Y2-Y6); flu vaccinations mop up
- 20th Nov: Governors meeting 4.30pm
- 21st Nov: Navenby 'Switch On' event 5-8pm
- **28th Nov: X-country event at PGL**
- **12th Dec: Xmas Jumper Day in aid of NSPCC; KS1 panto at school**
- **16th Dec: KS2 to panto at New Theatre Royal Lincoln**
- **17th Dec: Rocksteady Concert 2.45pm**
- **18th Dec: Christmas Lunch; FONS Xmas Disco**
- **19th Dec: End of Term**
- **5th January 2026: INSET Day**
- **6th January: Start of term 3**

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