



# Navenby Church of England Primary School

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## NEWSLETTER 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

### PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES JULY 2025

Thank you to the parents who returned our end of year questionnaire. There were 73 returns representing 62 families. The information on them will help us improve certain areas and also celebrate the things that we do well.

Below are the percentages whose ticks were in the 'always' or 'mostly' boxes.

Area	Always/most of the time
My child enjoys school	97%
School keeps my child safe	100%
Happy with my child's progress	97%
School promotes a healthy lifestyle	100%
Values children as individuals and helps them do their best	86%
School meets my child's individual needs	100%
Curriculum helps motivate learners	100%
Promotes positive relationships	100%
School seeks parents' opinions	97%
I feel I can approach the school and concerns are dealt with effectively	97%
School is well led and managed	100%
I value the fact Navenby is a church school	85%
School communicates well	95%
Overall I am happy with my child's experiences at Navenby	99%
I would recommend Navenby to others	99%

### PE PROFILING

You will have received the letter from Carre's earlier in the week about their PE profiling which they are doing in their Outreach Schools. The 30 minute session consists of a number of fun and engaging activities to promote balance, flexibility, speed and flexibility. The results of these challenges will help us as a school improve our planning so that we can target areas for development to help children improve their confidence in PE and contribute to promoting a healthy lifestyle.

Our event is timetabled for the morning of 6<sup>th</sup> October so all children in Years 1 to 6 will need at least their trainers in

school that day. All data collected by Carre's will only be shared with the school and will only be used by class teachers to target areas for development.

### HARVEST SERVICE AND SCHOOL VISION LAUNCH

On 10<sup>th</sup> October, we will be holding our annual Harvest Service at St Peter's Church. This will include items traditionally associated with harvest with some classes performing a small item as part of the service. We are, once again, asking for donations of food to go to the Lincoln Community Larder who support vulnerable people in our community. A list of appropriate items will be displayed on next week's newsletter.

In addition, we will be officially launching our new school vision, as directed by the Diocese. The vision is something we have been working on for the last 12 months as it impacts on our school values, our ethos and our curriculum. It will be useful for parents to know how this vision came about and how we are using it as a focus for the school moving forward. Some classes will be performing short items to exemplify this vision and what it means on a day-to-day basis in school.

We are all hopeful many of you will attend the Harvest Service to share in the launch of our school vision. We look forward to seeing you there.

### SAFETY ZONE

Can I once again take this opportunity to remind people about not stopping in the school safety zone between the hours listed on the sign. This is for your child's safety. I have had meetings (along with our Health and Safety Governor) with the Parish Council and with PCSO Lingard to ascertain the legalities of the zone. It is an offence to stop there and so anybody caught is liable to prosecution. I received another phone call from a resident who is concerned about its use by a small number of parents and she was worried that an accident is going to happen. Any number plates will be sent to PCSO Lingard and she has said that she will follow things up.

Next week, Alison Garfoot from the Road safety partnership will be coming to school to work with our Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSOs) and they will be discussing the safety zone with her. Our JRSOs for this year are: Damian, Emily M, Henry and Charlotte.

## LOST PROPERTY

Already we are starting to amass lost property despite only being back at school just over a week. Please can I remind you to name ALL clothing so that it can be returned to its rightful owner. We are aware of how expensive school uniform can be (particularly the branded items) so we will always do our best to get lost property back to the child. Please can you also speak to them about looking after their property and putting things where they know they are. Can I also remind you to follow our school uniform policy. We are seeing some variations on items listed and would ask that these are not worn, particularly 'elaborate' and large headbands. Thank you

## Y5 BIKEABILITY

A reminder to the Y5 parents who signed their children up for the Bikeability training that this begins on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September. Children will need to bring their bikes and helmets into school on the Monday and each day until Thursday when the training ends. Please make sure that the bikes are in good order because if they are not the instructors will not let the child take part. Bikes maybe left at school overnight if parents wish but we can't take any responsibility for them whilst people aren't here.

They will be going out even if it is wet so please keep an eye on the weather each day to ensure children are appropriately dressed.

## SPORTS CREW

Our new Sports Crew have been selected for this academic year. I was amazed at how many children wanted to be a Sports Crew member and I know many will be disappointed on this occasion.

Because of numbers, we have 4 children from Year 5 and 4 children from Year 6. They are:

Isla, Lily, Jude, Henry M, Niamh, Trixie, Samuel and Seth.

Well done to these children. They will be helping raise our sports profile in school, perhaps helping other classes with their PE, writing articles for the newsletter, taking a lead role in their own PE lessons and running lunchtime activities for the younger children. Coach Laura and I look forward to working with them through this year.

## 11+

Good luck to the children who will be taking the second 11+ test this weekend. I am sure that you will give it your best effort. The date I have for the 11+ results is Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October.

## BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

I have been asked by the Diocese to promote their Christmas card competition. Details are below:  
*It is that time of year again, and we would like to warmly invite you to participate in the designing of this year's Bishops' Christmas card. The theme of this year's card is 'Let there be light' inspired by the bible verse:*

***John 1:4-5 – 'What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it'***  
*We invite entries that reflect this beautiful message of hope and light. Artwork may be painted, drawn, or a photograph – we welcome all forms of visual creativity that bring the theme to life.*

*The deadline for submissions is **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October**. Please ensure that your design is an original piece of work and the size is no larger than 151 mm x 151 mm.*

*Submission should be posted to: The Bishops' Office, Edward King House, Minster Yard, Lincoln, LN2 1PU. Please include your name, parish, postal address and email address so that we can return your designs and contact the winner.*

Good luck to anyone who decides to take part!

## COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This term's Christian value is 'thankfulness'. Worship leaders will be helping children better understand this term through personal stories, real life experiences and Bible references. Our new Collective Worship Councillors have been elected in school and they are: George, Ines, Lexie and Esme.

They will be helping the adults in school with daily worship and will also be working with Mr Housam to better understand worship and how to plan and deliver effective worship with a view to leading worship themselves as we go through the year. Any parent is welcome to attend worship which takes place every morning (except Thursdays) in the hall at 9.05am.

## FONS

Calling All parents - we need your help!

To run all the great fun PTA activities through the school year, we rely on a small team of parent/carers as such we need more members! If you're interested in joining us either contact us on [hellofons@outlook.com](mailto:hellofons@outlook.com) or join us at a meeting held Lion and Royal 1st Monday of every month at 8pm. Next meeting is **Monday 6th October**. We'd love to see you there!

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:

- 29<sup>th</sup> Sept – 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct: Y5 Bikeability
- 29<sup>th</sup> Sept – 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct: Y6 to PGL
- 29<sup>th</sup> Sept: Y1 Parent Lunch
- 30<sup>th</sup> Sept: Y2 Parent Lunch
- 1<sup>st</sup> Oct: Y3 Parent Lunch
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct: Y4 Parent Lunch
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct: Y5 Parent lunch; MacMillan Coffee Day (Y4)
- **6<sup>th</sup> Oct: PE profiling Y1 – Y6**
- 8<sup>th</sup> Oct: Reception 2026 open morning 10am
- 9<sup>th</sup> Oct: Photographer in for portraits; **football match V Leasingham (H); Netball match v Leasingham (A)**
- 10<sup>th</sup> Oct: 11+ results; Bikeability (Learn to Ride group); Harvest Service and new school vision launch St Peter's Church 9.45am
- 13<sup>th</sup> Oct: Cairn Service 9.05am
- 16<sup>th</sup> Oct: Reception 2026 open afternoon 1.30pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> Oct: Nasal flu vaccinations; **Netball Qualifiers (details to follow)**
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct: Last day of term; **football match v Caythorpe (H)**
- 24<sup>th</sup> Oct: Staff training (safeguarding)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov: Start of Term 2

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

