Navenby Church of England Primary School

School website: www.navenbyschool.com

NEWSLETTER 6th November 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

On Wednesday 11th November, Mrs Woolsey and our Forces children will be leading our special assembly to recognise Remembrance Day. This will start shortly after 9am and will finish around 9.30am. All parents, not just those from a military background, are welcome to join us for this thought-provoking occasion. We look forward to seeing you then.

CLUBS

As the darker nights descend on us and the temperatures start to drop, our after-school club provision will be coming to an end for this term. The last days for the current clubs are:

- Running Club (Monday 16th Nov 4.15pm)
- Choir (TBC)
- Sports Hall Athletics (Tuesday 1st December 4.30pm)
- Netball (Wednesday – already finished)
- Football Club (Thursday 19th Nov 4.15pm)
- Coach Laura Skills Club (Thursday 19th Nov 4.15pm)

Please ensure your children know how they are getting home on the days they attend these clubs. Clubs will restart in January and we will release these dates just before we break up for Christmas.

SCHOOL GATES

As you will be aware, the school gates have now been repaired. Please can I ask you to always use the Pedestrian access when coming to, and leaving, school. The main gates are on a sensor so will keep opening and closing whenever anyone goes through them. If people are doing this regularly there is a chance that the sensor will fail. If you see the gates closing then please allow them to close rather than triggering them to re-open mid close.

Whilst not technically on the school site, please could I ask parents/carers to refrain from smoking or vaping outside the main school gates. Providing children with a safe, clear access to school is our priority and exposing children to this as they come to school is something we would like to avoid. Thank you for your understanding.

PGL QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to the parents who kindly returned the PGL questionnaire form and for the comments that were made on them. As a result of these, the following arrangements will be in place for PGL in September 2027 (current Y5 class):

- Parents were overwhelmingly in favour (13/14 responses) of taking their own children to PGL on the Monday morning.
- 71% (10/14) said they preferred the flexibility of children coming in on the Monday morning so this will remain. Parents can send their children into school before collecting them to take them to PGL if they wish.
- 86% (12/14) said that they would prefer for their children to be collected from PGL and taken home on the Friday as they would be too tired for school. Therefore, we will ask parents to collect their child from PGL on the Friday next year.

Thank you for all of your comments. We will keep an eye on the price as some parents felt that it was approaching the limit of what they would be happy to pay.

ALL TOGETHER CHURCH

All Together Graffoe Parish

Come and join us for relaxed and informal all-age worship, Café style, at 11 am every Sunday at Navenby School. As well as song, prayer and Bible reading, we sit round tables and chat about our theme and how it impacts in our busy daily lives, whilst enjoying coffee, cake and biscuits. Children can also take part in a theme related craft activity. Please note children must be accompanied by an adult.



NB – All Together will not be held this coming Sunday being Remembrance Sunday to enable everyone to take part in the Parish Remembrance Service at All Saints Wellingore Church at 10.15 am. All Together Café Church will resume as usual at 11 am on Sunday 15th November.

For further information see our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/share/1DbaRDUaD6/

SAFEGUARDING: Understanding what our children may be experiencing online – free event.

Are you a parent who is concerned about what your child may be experiencing online? Would you like to feel more confident in supporting them to stay safe?
A series of free events have been organised giving parents and carers the opportunity to get their questions answered on a raft of online safety issues, including age-appropriate apps, online trends, parental controls, social media, and more.
The online event will be hosted by experts from Lincolnshire County Council's Stay Safe team. The event takes place on 1st December, 6pm to 7.30pm online, through Microsoft Teams. Tickets are free but places need to be booked in advance. Follow the link to book your space.
https://www.tickettailor.com/events/staysafepartnership/2476488

If you have any questions, please contact our designated safeguarding lead, Miss Reeder on safeguarding@navenby.lincs.sch.uk

HUB DANCE

Hub Dance Team is offering free trials from November 9th-12th and December 14th - 17th for all classes held at One NK, North Hykeham.

A flyer is attached and you can also find details of class days and times on their website:
https://hub-sleaford.org.uk/dance

To book a free trial or find out more, please contact them via:

Email: dance@hub-sleaford.org.uk

Social media: @hubdanceteam (Facebook and Instagram)

HAF ELIGIBILITY

I received this from County to promote to our community:

Whilst Free School Meal (FSM) eligibility has expanded to include all children from households receiving Universal Credit, the Holiday Activities and Food Programme ***(HAF) eligibility has not changed and remains linked to Targeted Free School Meals (Targeted FSM).*** *Children who are eligible for Targeted FSM will continue to be eligible for HAF-funded places throughout the school year.*

As transitional protections for FSM ended at the end of the 2025/26 academic year, some children who previously accessed HAF may no longer be eligible because their family circumstances no longer meet the Targeted FSM threshold. We recognise this change may impact some families and would welcome your support in communicating this sensitively.

Where families are no longer eligible for HAF-funded places, we encourage schools to signpost them to alternative support, including:

- *Tax-Free Childcare - Tax-Free Childcare - Best Start in Life*
- *Universal Credit Childcare Support - Universal Credit Childcare - Best Start in Life*
- *Local holiday provision and childcare schemes Lincolnshire Family Services Directory*
- *Other local family support services*

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring eligible children and families can access the HAF programme this Christmas.

WINTER CLOTHES

Please can I remind parents to send their children to school with a suitable coat now that the weather has turned colder and wetter. Even if it's dry in the morning this can often change by break time or lunchtime. We always try to get the children outside whenever possible on these occasions.

Also, please can PE kits be brought in on a Monday and taken home on a Friday. Teachers occasionally change their PE times depending on the weather during the week. Again, now it is colder, please can appropriate outdoor PE kit be sent in. This includes a tracksuit and trainers (suitable for the field) in addition to the red crewneck t-shirt and black shorts. Football boots and shin pads are permitted for PE on the field.

Our uniform guidance can be found on our website:

https://navenbyschool/uniform

POPPIES

As usual, we will be supporting the Royal British Legion by selling an array of poppy-related items in order to raise money for this worthwhile charity. All items are now available in school. There are limited amounts of some items and once they have gone, unfortunately there won't be any replacements. As we are a cashless school, parents will need to come to the main reception with their children to purchase any items using the QR code. Thank you for your support.

ALLERGY AWARENESS

As an allergy-aware school, the safety and wellbeing of pupils with allergies is extremely important to us.
Following the introduction of Benedict's Law and the strengthening of allergy-safety requirements for schools, we have reviewed the measures we have in place to reduce the risk of allergic reactions and ensure staff are prepared to respond effectively in an emergency. This has resulted in the formulation of a new Allergen and Anaphylaxis Policy, which can be accessed via our school website. We cannot guarantee that our school environment will be completely free from nuts or other allergens. However, we ask all students and families to refrain from bringing nuts or products containing nuts into school. This includes peanuts, tree nuts (such as pistachios and almonds), nut spreads and nut-based snacks. This is an important precaution to help protect any members of our school community who may experience severe or potentially life-threatening allergic reactions should they come into contact with such allergens. We thank you in advance for your cooperation in helping us maintain a safe, inclusive and allergy-aware school.

2026 CHRISTMAS CARD COMETITION

As in previous years, Caroline Johnson MP is running her Christmas card competition again. The competition is open to all pupils attending primary schools within her constituency. Entries may be submitted using the attached template, although this is not essential (paper copies are available from the school office). Designs should be no larger than A4 and must not include glitter or any three-dimensional materials. Please note that all entries must be received by Wednesday 4th November 2026 to allow sufficient time for judging and printing. The winning design will be featured on the front of my official Christmas card, which is sent to local organisations, fellow MPs, the Speaker of the House of Commons and even Their Majesties The King and Queen.
Please send original artwork, clearly labelled with the pupil's name, age, year group and school to:
Dr Caroline Johnson MP,
Units 5 & 6 White Hart Mews,
Sleaford NG34 7RY.
Alternatively, entries may be scanned and emailed to caroline.johnson.mp@parliament.uk, provided the original artwork is retained. If you have any questions, please contact her office on 01529 306721. She very much looks forward to seeing their creative and colourful designs.

FONS

We're pleased to share lots of brilliant events coming up (please also see attached poster):

WREATH MAKING (adults only): Join us for a magical evening of festive fun, creativity and Christmas cheer as we make our very own beautiful, fresh Christmas wreaths! We'll provide pre-mossed wreath rings and all the gorgeous greenery and decorations you need to create a stunning wreath to take home and proudly hang on your door. LIMITED PLACES, booking via Classlist.

CHRISTMAS AT NAVENBY: Come and join us for our Christmas Fair at Navenby School! Year 6 Enterprise Stalls, Christmas stalls, Christmas wrapping paper, Delicious mince pies, Raffle, and lots of festive fun for all the family! We'll finish in time for Navenby Village Christmas Lights Switch-On at 7pm!

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Buy your tickets on Classlist now to be in with chance of winning some amazing prizes, such as: vouchers for Bainland, Kinema, Penells, Jubilee Park Swimming Pool, Hampers, Power Tools and more!! TICKETS ON CLASSLIST and drawn at the Christmas Fair.

DISCO: Christmas Disco for KS1 and KS2, party tunes, hot dogs, biscuits and squash.
BOOKING COMING SOON



Please email hellofons@navenby.lincs.sch.uk if you are interested in becoming a Class Rep, joining us or volunteering at events. We need helpers to run all of the above events. Thank you.

Thank you everyone for your support over the first term. It has been lovely to see the new Reception children settle in so

quickly and to see the existing children adapt to their new classrooms. Please try to dedicate a little time to doing some reading and number work through the half term to ensure they come back prepared for Term 2.

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 (**new dates in bold**):

- 9th Nov: Netball v Church Lane (H) – new date
- 11th Nov: 9am Collective Worship led by our Forces Group – all parents welcome
- **12th Nov: Football v Church Lane (A) – CANCELLED. FOOTBALL CLUB AS NORMAL**
- 13th Nov: Girls Football Tournament at Sleaford Town 10 – 2.30pm
- 16th Nov: Stay Safe Partnership Workshops for Y2 – Y6.
- 17th Nov: Flu vaccination catch up; Parents' Evening 4-7pm
- 18th Nov: Y5 to Sleaford Dance Hub; Football v Rauceby (H)
- 19th Nov: Parents' Evening 4-7pm
- 20th Nov: Football tournament at Sleaford Town 10am – 2.30pm; Navenby Switch On 7pm
- 21st Nov: Navenby Xmas Market 3-7pm
- 23rd – 27th Nov: UK Parliament Week
- 27th Nov: Cross Country competition at PGL 10am
- **3RD Dec: Governors' meeting 4.30pm (new date)**
- 8th Dec: KS1 Nativity to parents 2.30pm
- 9th Dec: KS1 Nativity to parents 2.30pm
- 10th Dec: KS1 panto in school; FONS Xmas disco
- 14th Dec: KS2 to panto at Theatre Royal
- 16th Dec: Carol Service at St Peter's Church 6pm
- 17th Dec: Xmas Lunch
- 18th Dec: Last day of term

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

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Friends of Navenby School

Our festive events are here! Every ticket, donation and raffle entry helps raise money for our children.













Booking Events

Book for all our events using the Classlist App

Classlist

Get In Touch

hellofons@Navenby.lincs.sch.uk

Adults

Our adult classes are inclusive, welcoming and open to all ages and abilities. Whether you want to boost fitness, support your wellbeing, ease stress, meet new people or simply enjoy moving, there's a class here for you.

Mondays

Stretch, Strengthen and Move *16yrs+ at Hub Sleaford*

Dance for Parkinson's *18yrs+ at Hub Sleaford*

Wednesdays

Tai Chi on Eastgate Green *18yrs+ at Hub Sleaford*



"The sociability of it is just as good as the stretching and the strengthening"

Maureen, Stretch, Strengthen and Move

First Taster Class FREE!
Email dance@hub-sleaford.org.uk

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Hub Dance Programme



Find out more scan the QR code

Youth

Whether you're brand new or already on a dance pathway, our Youth Dance Programme supports every stage of your journey. Improve technique, grow confidence and express yourself through movement.

Tuesdays

JumpStart - Breakdance
11-18yrs at One NK

Wednesdays

Exodus Youth Street Dance
10-15yrs at One NK

RedX Street Dance Company
11-18yrs at One NK

Thursdays

Junior Dance Mix
7-11yrs at One NK

Evolve Youth Dance Company - Contemporary
11-18yrs at One NK



"We got selected for the Social Impact Award at True Motion, second time in a row now!"

Judah, Jumpstart

First Taster Class FREE!
Email dance@hub-sleaford.org.uk

Where to find us?

One NK, *Moor Lane, Lincoln, LN6 9AX*
Hub, *Navigation Wharf, Carre Street, Sleaford, NG34 7TW*
Skellingthorpe Youth Hall, *15 Lincoln Road, Skellingthorpe, LN6 5UT*

Unify Dance Programme

Our classes are designed specifically for people with learning disabilities, neurodivergence, and/or physical disabilities, ensuring each session feels supportive, accessible and joyful.

Mondays

Hub Unify Adults *18yrs+ at Hub Sleaford*

Unify Adults Dance Company *18yrs+ at Skellingthorpe Youth Centre*

Tuesdays

Unify Junior
8-15yrs at One NK

Unify Youth
16-24yrs at One NK

"I love coming here dancing at the Hub on a Monday doing dance moves, music, entertainment and dancing"

Robert, Hub Unify Adults



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Email dance@hub-sleaford.org.uk