Head's Newsletter October 2025



The first month back at school has flown by! The

children and teachers are getting to grips with the new routines and boundaries, which can always be tricky to navigate when we come back to school. I am pleased to say that when I walk around the school, there is some brilliant work being completed and the children are enjoying their lessons. Some of our key stage one children were very lucky to be chosen to go to Lynnsport earlier this week to take part in the Active Kids festival. The children all came back to school with huge smiles on their faces and said that they had had the best morning! The staff who accompanied the children said that we should be very proud of our children as their behaviour was exemplary and they all did brilliantly in their activities.

School meal news...After October half term, we will no longer be using Aspens as our catering company. We will be using a company called Caterlink instead. Please don't panic – we will still be keeping the same staff, so your child will notice very little difference. This change in company is a decision made by the central DEMAT team based on feedback from schools and our families. You will still order and pay for your child's meals in exactly the same way as you do now, but unfortunately, there will be a price increase to £2.93 per meal. Please find attached to this letter the

new menu and a new allergen form. Caterlink are not allowed to get any of your child's information from Aspens, so we will need you to complete and return the allergen form as soon as possible, so that we can make sure everything is ready for a smooth transition with the new company. Once we have got the new company set up and working well in school, we would be interested in your feedback about the new meals.



After some parental feedback, we have decided to open up the Hilltop information evening to year 5 parents as well as year 6 parents. This will give the parents of year 5 children lots of time to find out about the residential location and they can have a better idea of what their child will be looking forward to in year 6. If you have a child in either year 5 or year 6 and would like to come along to the information meeting, it will be at Anthony Curton School on Monday 20th October 2025 at 3:34pm in the school hall.

Please can we remind you to contact the school office each day to let us know if your child isn't going to be in school. Every morning we have to ensure that we know where every child on our registers is and we spend lots of time making phone calls to find out.

Sadly, in the past, we have had some people using after school clubs as an after school child care facility and children have been signed up for clubs that they didn't want to go to or have any interest in. This is not fair for the child or the club leader and can result in a child being upset, having poor behaviour or causing general disruption to the club. Please can we ask that, before booking any clubs, you check with your child that they do want to go and will be happy engaging in the club activity during the after school session.

Please can we remind all of our families in both schools to park considerately during drop off and pick up times. We are able to use the community car parks in both schools and there would be much more room for everyone if people thought of others when they parked their cars. The police have been contacted already this school year to support safe parking as we need to keep our children as safe as possible during these busy periods.



Dates for your diary:

Anthony Curton

Fri 3rd Oct – Netball at Wisbech Grammar

Mon 6th – Quicksticks Hockey at Lynnsport

Mon 6th – Reception 2026 New Intake evening 4-5pm

Thu 16th – Phonics Parent Workshop in the school hall 3:30pm

Mon 20th - Difference & Diversity Week begins

Mon 20th – Hilltop Parents information meeting for year 5 & 6 school 3:45 pm in the hall

Thu 23rd – Harvest Festival Church Service 1:30pm – All Welcome

Thu 23rd – Children Break up for Half Term 3:15pm

Mon 3rd Nov – Children return to school

Early Warning Dates for November:

Wed 6th Nov – Y6 Learning Workshop 2:30pm

Thu 13th Nov – Year 5 Learning Workshop 2:30pm

Thu 20th Nov – Year 4 Learning Workshop 2:30pm

Thu 27th Nov – Year 3 Learning Workshop 2:30pm

Tilney All Saints

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Mon 10th Nov – Tempest Portrait Photos

Tue 11th Nov – Otter Class Learning Workshop 2:30pm

Tues 25th Nov – Penguin Class Learning Workshop 2:30pm