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# OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL NEWSLETTER

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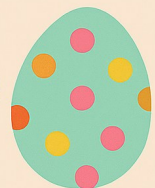
This week, KS2 children have been busy rehearsing their Easter presentation ahead of next Thursday's performance at 2:00pm. We are delighted to invite parents to join us for this special showing.

As we continue through the Lenten season, the children remain engaged in reflecting on its themes and preparing to explore Holy Week and the significance of the Resurrection.

## REMINDERS

### Monday 30th March

- Bring your decorated egg
- Non-uniform day (bring an Easter egg donation)
- Bring money for raffle tickets.



## School Virtues

Self-control      Courage      Hope  
Love      Justice      Solidarity

**We love, live and learn in the light of Christ**



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## Bronze Learners

Nevaeh Esme Harry Albie Ena  
Lexie Katie Eva  
Kane Joel Paris Elizabeth Nathan Keyla  
Grace Emily  
Bella Ronnie Mae Miriam Matilda  
George Joey Evie  
Anna Evie Zainab Ivy Antonia  
Miya Alex  
Andrea Tasnim Daniela Aalia  
Freddie Sree Daniel  
Jonique Serghey Rosie Logan  
Reggie Daisy T  
Violet Alice Daisy H  
Amelia Serenity



## Star of the week

Reception	Class	For being fantastic ambassadors for our school on our trip to Lincolnshire Wildlife Park.
Year 1	Logan	For having a good go at measuring using non-standard equipment and a ruler.
	Anugraha	For trying hard to sound out words when reading with her partner in RWI.
Year 2	Bea	For her excellent knowledge and understanding of length.
	Daniela	For her excellent description of the sacrament of reconciliation.
Year 3	Joshua	For working hard to improve his handwriting and showing resilience when challenges occur.
	Max	For showing a fantastic understanding of mass and capacity in maths.
Year 4	Evie	For coming into school every day with a positive attitude towards her learning.
	George	For being a supportive member of the class and always offering to help both his peers and his teachers.
Year 5	Ayra	For starting her journey at our school with an amazing attitude to learning. She has been showing all of our school virtues around school and has been a pleasure to have in class.
	Erik	For amazing results in his end of topic maths test. Erik has been showing a lot of resilience in his lessons and not giving up when he finds things difficult.
Year 6	Zera	For showing the virtue of solidarity by being an active learner and pushing herself to know more.
	Leo	For trying his best in all that he does and ensuring his presentation is of a high standard.





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## Discover Your Local Children's Centre – A Fantastic Resource for Families

Did you know that our town's Children's Centre—now part of Lincolnshire's Family Hub network—offers a range of wonderful services to support you and your little ones?

One of the most valuable services available is the Speech and Language Drop In Sessions. If you have a child aged 4 years or under and have any concerns about their speech, language, or communication development, you can simply come along to a session—no referral needed.

There are 10 weekly drop in sessions held across 10 Family Hub Children's Centres throughout Lincolnshire, making it easy to find one that fits your schedule. These sessions provide:

- ⇒ Reassurance and professional advice
- ⇒ Early identification of any communication needs
- ⇒ Tips and strategies you can use at home

The Children's Centre also offers a variety of other parent and early years services, from play sessions and parenting support to help accessing wider community resources.

Friday

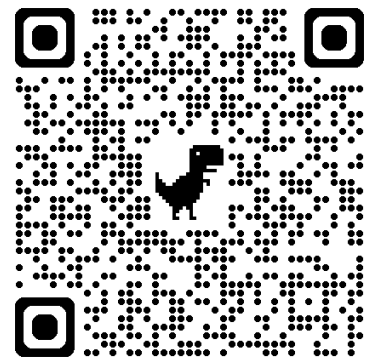
**Sleaford Children's Centre**, Carre Street,  
Sleaford, NG34 7TW

Time: 10am-12pm

Speech and  
Language drop  
in!

Join their Facebook Group to stay up to date with activities:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/14ZgaGkxTGe/?mibextid=wwXlfr>



<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/directory-record/76500/sleaford-children-s-centre-term-4-timetable>



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FOR PARENTS & CARERS

Empowering young people with additional learning needs to connect safely online.

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## What the law says

If your child is exposed to any online issues, it can help to know what the law says to ensure you take appropriate action to support your child.



### What does the law say about online behaviour?



#### Cyberbullying

There is no legal definition of cyberbullying in law but there is a range of laws that cover this issue. It can be considered a criminal offence under the 'Harassment Act 1997', if cyberbullying causes a victim 'alarm or distress'. It can also be considered 'grossly offensive' under the Malicious Communications Act 1988 and the Communications Act 2003.



#### Sexting is illegal for under 18s

When children engage in sexting they're creating an indecent image of a person under the age of 18 which, even if they take it themselves, is against the law (Protection of Children Act 1978). Distributing an indecent image of a child – e.g. sending it via text – is also illegal. It's very unlikely that a child would be prosecuted for a first offence, but the police might want to investigate.



#### Online pornography

Types of pornography that are illegal – even for an adult to have include acts that threaten a person's life. These could be acts that could result in serious injury, degrading pornography, violent pornography (i.e. rape and abuse) and anything that involves those under the age of 18.



#### Hate speech

Hate crime committed whether online or offline is illegal, however, not all offensive content is illegal in the UK. According to the Equality Act 2010 - if it incites hatred based on race, religion and sexual orientation then this can be considered as a crime. For content that does not meet the threshold of a hate crime, the police are required to record it as a hate incident. Laws in the UK aim to protect the freedom of speech so it can be a delicate balance to police online.

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#### Resource:

Laws about online behaviour: [www.childnet.com/ufiles/Laws-around-online-behaviour.pdf](http://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Laws-around-online-behaviour.pdf)



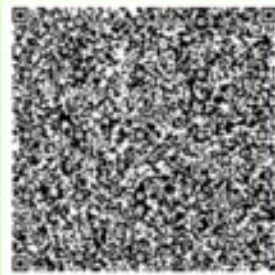
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## Ready Steady go to School



This is a short free online session aimed at Parents/Carers of children who will be starting school in September 2026. Come along and meet one of our Early Years Team to explore practical activities and top tips to help your little one on their journey to school

Thursday 23rd April  
6-7pm

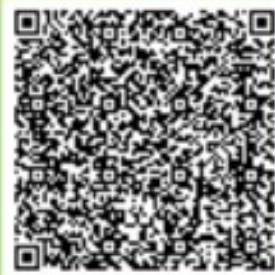


Wednesday 29th April  
1.30-2.30pm



Please scan a QR  
code to join your  
preferred  
session

Thursday 11th June  
6.30-7.30pm



Wednesday 24th June  
1.30-2.30pm





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October 31 is National Bug Busting Day and NHS Lincolnshire ICB is raising awareness of the treatment for head lice and nits.

Very common in young children and their families, head lice and nits don't have anything to do with dirty hair and are picked up as a result of head-to-head contact. Measuring no more than three millimetres long, head lice can be difficult to spot.

## Signs of head lice

Head lice eggs, known as nits, are either brown or white (when empty) and attached to the hair. Head lice can make your head feel itchy and like something is moving in your hair, and the only way to be sure if someone has head lice is by

finding live lice.

You can look for head lice by combing the hair with a special fine-toothed comb, which can be bought at your local pharmacy.

## How to get rid of head lice

If you find evidence of head lice you should treat them as soon as you spot them. Treatments for head lice are widely available to buy over the counter in supermarkets and community pharmacies and will not be supplied by your doctor.

## Wet combing

Head lice and nits can be removed by wet combing, which is the first thing to try. This involves using a fine-toothed comb and following these steps:

- Washing hair with ordinary shampoo
- Applying lots of conditioner
- Combing the whole head of hair from the roots to the ends

The charity [Community Hygiene Concern](#) has a [video about wet combing for head lice](#).

## Medicated lotions and sprays

If you have tried wet combing and your child or family member still has head lice, you should ask your pharmacist for advice – they can recommend using medicated lotions and sprays, that kill head lice in all types of hair and which are readily available to buy.

Having used a lotion or spray, head lice should die within one day, however, some treatments need to be repeated after a week to kill any newly hatched lice. Don't forget to check the pack first to make sure the lotion or spray is okay for you or your child or family member, as well as how to use them.

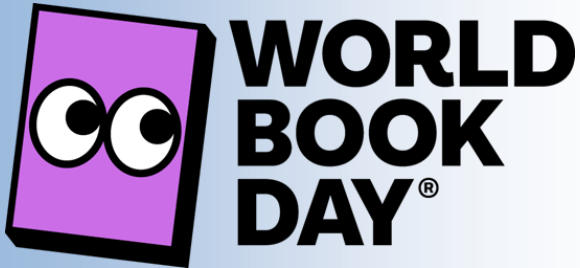
## You cannot prevent head lice

Ultimately there's nothing you can do to prevent head lice, but you can help stop them spreading by wet or dry combing regularly to catch them early.

Don't use medicated lotions and sprays to prevent head lice, they can irritate the scalp, and there's no reason for children to stay off school or to wash laundry on a hot wash.



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Our reading competition is also still underway—**don't forget to send in a photo of yourself reading in the most obscure location you can find!**

We can't wait to see the imaginative places you discover.

Entries must be in before Thursday 2nd April 2026.





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## DATES FOR THE DIARY – EXCITING PTA EVENTS COMING UP!

### Easter Fun

#### **Decorate an Egg Competition**

Buy a plastic egg from our pop up stall in March (£1 each), get creative at home, and hand in your decorated egg by **30th March**. Winners (one per year group) announced **1st April** and shared on Facebook!



### Easter Egg Raffle

Each class will run its own raffle. We're asking local businesses — and families — for Easter egg donations.

### Non Uniform Day: 30th March

Please bring a chocolate donation.



Thank you, as always, for your amazing support. We couldn't do any of this without our wonderful school community!



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Thank you  
for a fantastic  
Mother's Day  
Afternoon Tea





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## Parish News

Lent Retreat day Saturday 21st March from 10.00-15.00 All welcome--bring something for a shared lunch.

### **Mass times:**

Rosary before weekday Masses from 09.45 am.

Monday to Thursday Daily Mass is at 10.15 am. Friday 11.30 am.

Saturday Vigil Mass 6 pm. (Holyday vigil Mass 7 pm.)

Sunday morning 10 am. (Holyday morning Mass 10.15am.)

Confessions by arrangement with Fr Peter Harvey, Parish priest.

Deacon Tony Weldon: weld860@aol.com Mobile: 07919425771

Deacon Andrew Hunt: deacon\_andrewOLGC@protonmail.com

### **The Season of Lent**

Lent began on Ash Wednesday 18th February. It is a season of prayer, fasting and helping people in need.

Easter Sunday this year 2026 is on 5 the April.



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## DIARY DATES

Date	Event
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March	
Monday 30th	PTA Egg Decorating Competition
Monday 30th	Non-uniform– Easter Egg donations
Tuesday 31st	Celebration of Learning Assembly 2:30pm

April	
Wednesday 1st	Easter Egg Raffle
Thursday 2nd	Holy Week Presentation KS2 2pm
Thursday 2nd	Break for half term
Thursday 2nd	NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
Monday 20th	Return to school

May	
Monday 4th	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 5th	British Tri Festival at OLGC
Wednesday 11th— Thursday 14th	Year 6 SATs Week
Thursday 21st	Retreat Day
Monday 25th	Bank Holiday