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Dear Parents and Families,

Where has the first full term of school gone? So much has been achieved, the children continue to surprise me with their achievements and attitude to work. A great start to the new academic year. The children are not the only ones who have been busy. We have a very committed governing body who have been tremendously supportive this term. For this academic year our school governors are:

Andrew Firth	Chair of Governors	Chair Data
	Community	
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Tilden Watson	Vice Chair of Governors	Safeguarding & Health and Safety
Samantha Harrison	Staff	Standards
Gary Rogers	Parent	Website
Graham Crompton-Howe	Community	Curriculum
Annabel Gilbert	Parent	SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities)
Sophie Dickinson	Parent	Teaching and Learning
Peter Beveridge	LA	EYFS/Foundation Stage
Kerri Grummell	Ex-Officio	N/A
Lynda Watson	Clerk	N/A
(wife of Tilden Watson)		

The children may have seen some of the governors undertake their learning walks and been asked questions about their learning. Early Years and reading have been a main focus as the governors have come into school and monitored the schools approach to these areas of learning. Our SEND governor has attended induction training to the graduated approach to SEND. Our chair has been on a training session on monitoring visits. Our Health and Safety policy, safeguarding policy have both been renewed and our website has gone through an audit. We are very grateful to all our governors who are committed to the school by giving up their personal time to support, guide and lead our school.

School Council

We have a very active school council made up of children from all classes. This year our school council is made up of the following children:

Charlotte Rogers - Chair

Andrew Harrison - Treasurer

Archie Trainer - Minute taker

Oscar Cooke - Spokesperson

Cordelia Rush - Public liaison

Olivia Bainbridge - Vice chair

The council meet with Mrs Harrison and raise a question that they would like to share with the rest of school and help answer. In classes, the children discuss the question and talk about how as a school we can resolve any issues raised. The school council then hold an assembly, where they ask a spokesperson from each class to share their discussion points and any outcomes that have arisen from the class council meetings. Their present question is 'How can they ensure everyone is happy and safe on the playground?' They are going to do an audit of what play resources we have available at playtimes and then decide what is needed to make playtimes enjoyable for everyone. We look forward to see what the outcome is.

Class Exhibitions

The end of term can only mean one thing...time for the children to share their learning this term by holding their exhibitions. Discovery Class would like to open their classroom up to parents at 9.30am on Friday 14th December. They have been looking at the world of books and would like to open a community library. Please can parents attending the exhibition bring with them a book or books they are happy to donate to the community library.

Voyager Class would like to invite parents in on Wednesday 5th December at 2pm to help make bird feeders and bird boxes please, ready for the winter.

Endeavour Class will share their learning from Planet or Plastic on Thursday 10th January at 2.30pm. Prepare to be told off!!!!!!

Children's questionnaires

All children have completed a questionnaire about their experiences at school providing us with information on what we can improve on as a school. I would like to share that the children have overwhelmingly said that they are happy at school and are encouraged to be healthy. If they do feel upset or worried they know who they can go to for help. They don't feel we have lots of bullying in the school. Behaviour in class was highlighted as an issue by some children. Homework was also highlighted as an area to develop. These are the things we will be working on together over the next term.

Dog Fouling

Those of you who follow the Normanby community and FoNS facebook pages will have seen there has been a lot of upset at the amount of dog mess there is along the streets leading to the school. We understand and respect there are lots of responsible dog owners amongst us and it is a shame that some members of our community are not the same. As a school, we will design posters and put them up around the village, reminding people to clean up after their dog and we will also contact LCC to see if they can recommend other things that can be done. Hopefully, working together will help eradicate the problem.

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who came to school in their clashing colours and supported Children in Need. As a school we raised £68.53 which was brilliant.

Christmas Fair

Our Christmas fair is to be held on Tuesday 18th December starting at 3.30pm in the school hall. We are holding 2 separate non-uniform days, Friday 30th November bring a bottle for the Barrow of Booze and Friday 14th December bring donations for the chocolate tombola. All donations are greatly received. If you would like to help in any other way, please speak to either Carrie Gash or Emma Pindar and they will let you know how you can help. We are all fund raising for the same thing, so would welcome any ideas/help.

Snow Closures

In the event of snow, please tune into Lincs FM for all the latest school information. Every half an hour from 5 am onwards, they will be listing all the local school closures as well as any other cancelled services or events. You can also visit www.lincsfm.co.uk or download Lincs FM app. We will also post on the FoNS facebook page and parentmail any updates we feel necessary.

Free School Meals

Don't forget, if you are unsure if your child qualifies for Free School Meals, you can check via the following website

<https://lcc.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/parentportal> This is different to the Universal Free School meals that children from Reception to Year 2 get. Even if your child is receiving UFSM it is worth applying still for FSM as both school and yourselves benefit.

Club Calendar Term 1

Club	Day
SATs club (Year 6 children)	Monday
Film Club Yr1 - Yr 6 (Mrs Harrison)	Tuesday
Football Club Yr 1- Yr 6 (Lincoln Imps)	Wednesday
Planner	
Bags 2 School Collection	Wednesday 28 th November
Non uniform donations for the Barrow of Booze	Friday 30 th November
Nativity Performance	Monday 10 th December 2.30pm Tuesday 11 th December 5.30pm
Christmas Jumper Day Donations for Save the Children and Chocolate Tombola School Christmas Dinner Day	Friday 14 th December
Christmas Carols	Monday 17 th December 2.30pm in Normanby Church
Christmas fayre Children can be collected from their classroom 3.30pm as usual.	Tuesday 18 th December 3.00pm
Last Day of term 2	Thursday 20 th December
Back to School Term 3	Monday 7 th January
Dick Whittington Pantomime visiting school	Wednesday 9 th January. More details will follow.

If you have any concerns please share these with staff. If you need to see me please make an appointment at the school office. We want to be proactive and solve problems. Our aim is to maintain a happy and safe school where children can learn and thrive. Thank you.

Best Wishes Mrs K L Grummell Headteacher