

## Welcome to Spring Term 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas holiday break and are feeling refreshed and ready for an exciting year ahead. We are thrilled to welcome everyone back to school as we embark on a new term full of opportunities for learning, growth, and fun. Below are the important updates and events happening in January at Sutterton Fourfields and Swineshead St. Mary's. As always, we're here to help and please do not hesitate to contact us with anything: [MyChildAtSchool - Login](#)

Kind regards,  
Mrs Collett



### Reception 2025 Applications

The national admissions closing date for primary applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025 and Lincolnshire's final closing date is 10<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

If you need help or advice on the application process, feel free to contact us or use the link below to access the application portal.

[Apply for a school – Applying to primary or junior schools - Lincolnshire County Council](#)

We have really enjoyed hosting families during our open sessions and please contact us if you've not had the opportunity to visit our wonderful schools so you can see for yourself how welcoming and supportive we are and to see the amazing learning opportunities that we offer.

We wish all our families the best of luck with their applications!



### Parent-Teacher Consultations

Our second round of meetings will take place in Term 3. This is a great opportunity to discuss your child's progress, strengths, and areas for development and have a look at their learning. Booking details will be via MCAS.

### Why Good Attendance Matters

Regular attendance is essential for your child's learning and progress. Every day in school counts! When children miss lessons, they can fall behind and find it harder to keep up with their classmates. Good attendance helps children:

- Achieve their best academically.
- Build strong friendships and social skills.
- Develop good habits for the future.

We understand that children can be unwell at times, but please try to schedule appointments outside school hours whenever possible. If your child is absent, let us know promptly.

Our target is 96% attendance – together, we can achieve it! Thank you for your support in making every school day count.

Attendance Champions:

- Swineshead: Mrs Horton
- Sutterton: Mrs Baker

If you have any questions or need support with attendance, please speak to them—they are here to help!

### Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 Days off school	100%	perfection!
equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent!
equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned

### Safeguarding

Should you have any concerns regarding the safety or wellbeing of a child then you should report this immediately. You can report this to the school or directly to Children and Young People's Services (Social Services) on 01522 782111. Email: [lsch@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:lsch@lincolnshire.gov.uk). The Designated Safeguarding Lead for Sutterton and Swineshead is Mrs Collett. Mrs Baker is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding lead (DDSL) for Sutterton and Mrs Horton is the DDSL for Swineshead.

## Staffing Updates

### Farewells & Congratulations:

We said a very heartfelt goodbye to Mrs. Hutchinson who retired at the end of last term. Her leaving assembly was incredible and a huge thank-you to all of the classes at Swineshead who put on fantastic and memorable performances. Her send-off was marked by opening speeches from LAAT directors and Jean as Bishop's Visitor and governor. We wish her well in her well-earned retirement.

Congratulations to Mrs. Walton who gave birth to baby Freya over the Christmas period. Mum and baby are doing well.

We say goodbye in January to Mrs. Martin who has a new job closer to her home. The position of MSA at Sutterton is currently advertised and we urge any interested parents/carers/friends of the school to apply.

### Welcome:

We give a fulsome welcome to Mrs. Horton who starts as Swineshead's Head of School and SENDCo. Mrs. Horton has already taken part in Trust training events and had a handover day in school and is looking forward to getting to know our Swineshead community.

We welcome back Mrs. Gilliard to Sutterton who returns from maternity leave. Mrs. Gilliard has attended several 'keep in touch' days and is looking forward to getting back into Central Class alongside Mrs. Ager on a Thursday.

Miss Bramhall is also starting at Sutterton and taking on Mrs. Walton's maternity cover in Richmond class. Miss Bramhall has visited several times and has already got to know the children and school community.

### **Sutterton Diary Dates**

7<sup>th</sup> Jan Year 6 'Big Sing' (weekly choral singing with a later performance at 'Boston Stump')

14<sup>th</sup> Jan 'I Rock' Concert

16<sup>th</sup> Jan The start of Celebration Assembly at 9 am and the Platinum Sports Award presentation

21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan Year 6 Bikability

22<sup>nd</sup> Jan Girls 'friendly' football game

23<sup>rd</sup> Jan Hyde class assembly at 9 am

28<sup>th</sup> Jan Dance development day

30<sup>th</sup> Jan St James class assembly at 9 am

30<sup>th</sup> Jan Y3/4 indoor athletics

2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Feb World Interfaith Harmony Week

2<sup>nd</sup> Feb Parents/Carers Evening (3:20 - 7:20 pm)

5<sup>th</sup> Feb Gymnastics development day

6<sup>th</sup> Feb Richmond class assembly at 9 am

9<sup>th</sup> Feb PTFA Valentine Disco

9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> Feb Mental Health Awareness Week

10<sup>th</sup> Feb Safer Internet Day

11<sup>th</sup> Feb Young Voices in Sheffield

12<sup>th</sup> Feb Regent's class assembly at 9 am

End of Term 3 - 13<sup>th</sup> February

Start of Term 4 - 23<sup>rd</sup> February

6<sup>th</sup> March Central class assembly at 9 am

9<sup>th</sup> March STEM Week (the theme of 'Curiosity')

10<sup>th</sup> March X country competition AM

12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> March PTFA pop-up Mother's Day shop

13<sup>th</sup> March Phoenix class assembly at 9 am

24<sup>th</sup> March Netball development day

26<sup>th</sup> March Y6 Spring 'Big Sing' at 'Boston Stump'

27<sup>th</sup> PTFA 'Break-the-Rules Day (non-uniform)

30<sup>th</sup> PTFA chocolate bingo

1<sup>st</sup> April Basketball development day

2<sup>nd</sup> April Easter Service at 9:30 am in church

End of Term 4 - 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Start of Term 5 - 21<sup>st</sup> April

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7<sup>th</sup> Jan Year 6 'Big Sing' (weekly choral singing with a later performance at 'Boston Stump')

15<sup>th</sup> Jan Girls after-school football tournament

16<sup>th</sup> Jan The start of Celebration Assembly at 2:30 pm

23<sup>rd</sup> Jan Kirkstead class assembly at 2:20 pm

30<sup>th</sup> Jan Crowland class assembly at 2:20 pm

30<sup>th</sup> Jan Y3/4 indoor athletics

2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Feb World Interfaith Harmony Week

3<sup>rd</sup> Feb - 6<sup>th</sup> Feb Book fayre

4<sup>th</sup> Feb Parents/Carers Evening (2:30 - 7:20 pm)

6<sup>th</sup> Feb Tintern class assembly at 2:20 pm

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13<sup>th</sup> Feb Fountains class assembly at 2:20 pm

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Start of Term 4 - 23<sup>rd</sup> February

6<sup>th</sup> March Lindisfarne class assembly at 2:20 pm

9<sup>th</sup> March STEM Week (the theme of 'Curiosity')

10<sup>th</sup> March X country competition AM

12<sup>th</sup> March STEM Week 'Spaghetti Challenge' for parents/carers

13<sup>th</sup> March Ramsey class assembly at 2:20 pm and Platinum Sports Award presentation

20<sup>th</sup> March Sempringham class assembly at 2:20 pm

26<sup>th</sup> March Y6 Spring 'Big Sing' at 'Boston Stump'

27<sup>th</sup> March Kelso class assembly at 2:20 pm

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