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To provide an aspirational education which inspires all to
SHINE in our community so that they are happy, confident
and equipped for life in all its fullness.

Term 5

Spires
Federation



Dear Parents and Carers,



As we wrap up another exciting half term, we want to take a moment to celebrate the many achievements and experiences that have made this term so special.

Year 6 SATs

We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 pupils for the way they approached their SATs. With calm determination and a positive mindset, they truly embodied our value of **Success**. Their hard work, resilience, and focus were inspiring to all, and we couldn't be prouder of their efforts.

Inspiring Learning Beyond the Classroom

This term, our trips to the Lincoln Castle and Wilder Doddington brought learning to life in the most engaging ways. Exploring the castle sparked curiosity and wonder, while our time at Wilder Doddington connected us with nature and deepened our understanding of the world around us. These experiences reflect our commitment to **Inspiration**—encouraging children to explore, question, and grow.

Nurturing Growth and Confidence

Throughout the term, we've seen our pupils grow not just academically, but emotionally and socially. Whether it was supporting each other during assessments, showing kindness on trips, or embracing new challenges, our children have shown what it means to be part of a nurturing school community. We are proud to see our value of **Nurture** shine through in all they do.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We wish you a restful and fun half term, and we look forward seeing the children back for the final term of the year!

Warm regards,

Miss Winters



Mrs Toulson



Miss Vaughan





Hoglets and Hedgehogs



Term 5 - Reception and Pre-school

This term, we have been lucky enough to go on a trip to Lincoln Castle as well as start Forest School! We have had so much fun exploring nature and looking after the world around us.

Our provision this term has been looking at pirates and we have enjoyed taking our learning outside and enjoying the sunshine.

We also went to Wilder Doddington to explore minibeasts and make some nature creatures. What a wonderful term we have had, who knows what we will do next!





Hoglets and Hedgehogs

Forest School

Term 5

This term, we began our Forest school sessions! We have so many options of activities, such as nature hunts, den building, nature art and even litter picking!

We always follow our three rules of looking after ourselves, each other and nature and the time flies! Before we know it, it's time to go back to school!

We always end the session with a story sat on the floor before we go back to school.

It has been wonderful to see the children connect with nature and grow in confidence as the weeks go by.

Next term, we will be beginning to use some tools to create things in nature and help the wildlife around us!





A huge thank you for all parental donations and our amazing parent volunteers!



Nocton Forest School are seeking donations:

1. Pots, pans and utensils for a mud kitchen.
2. Large logs for seating around a fire circle.

Can you help?



Red Squirrels



Term 5 – Year 1 and 2

Even though this term has been shorter, we have jam-packed so much amazing learning in!

In Geography, we have been learning about the seaside including the human and physical features of the coast as well comparing Skegness to Tulum in Mexico!

In Art, we have been exploring photography and how we can edit our images. We even had a chance to look at an old film camera and a new digital camera!

We have also been lucky enough to have swimming lessons this term and the progress the children have made is phenomenal! Mrs Walker and Miss Allerton are both so impressed!

This term we also had two trips – the first to Lincoln Castle and then the second to Wilder Doddington. We also enjoyed our PE Enrichment in the sun learning how to throw a frisbee accurately!

I have no idea how we managed to squeeze all of this in, we have so many more amazing things to come in our final term and we cannot wait!





Lincoln Castle Trip!

Red Squirrels



Owls

Term 5

What a busy and exciting term it's been in KS2! We were delighted to welcome a local magistrate into school, who gave us a fascinating insight into the justice system. Year 6 have shown tremendous dedication as they prepared for their SATs and we are so proud of their focus and perseverance. Well done to all of you! We also had a wonderful time marking the 80th anniversary of VE Day, taking part in a range of activities that helped us reflect on the importance of peace and remembrance. Thank you to everyone for your continued support this term. Have a restful and well-deserved break!





Owls

Your guide to health services in Lincolnshire



Self Care

Treat aches, pains, coughs, and colds at home. Stock up your medicine cabinet with over the counter remedies.



Pharmacy

Visit your local pharmacy for advice on minor injuries, allergies, constipation, headaches, cold and flu symptoms, and earache.



Your GP Practice

Contact your GP practice about symptoms that aren't going away. They can offer you an appointment or signpost you to other services.



NHS 111

If you have an urgent health need but are not sure what to do, think NHS 111. Call 111 or visit 111.nhs.uk. Available 24/7.



WaitLess

Download the WaitLess app to view live waiting times, queue numbers and travel-time information for our urgent care facilities.



Urgent Treatment Centre

Seek help for sprains, fractures, minor burns, and skin infections. Simply walk in or book an appointment via NHS 111.



Dental Treatment

For urgent dental care please contact your normal dental practice, or for advice out of hours call NHS 111.



Mental Health Crisis

If you are worried about your mental health, call 111 and choose Option 2. Available 24/7

In a medical emergency call 999. This is when someone is seriously ill or injured and their life is at risk.

For more information visit www.nhs.uk



Your Guide to Health Services While Away From Home



BE PREPARED

Treat aches and pains, coughs and colds at home. Stock up your medicine cabinet including pain killers, antihistamines, anti-diarrhoea and indigestion medicine. Order repeat prescriptions in plenty of time. Keep all medication, plasters, bandages and thermometers away from children.



PHARMACY

Pharmacies offer health advice and treatment for allergies, constipation, cold and flu symptoms, earache, fever, thrush and healthy lifestyles. A visit to the pharmacy could save you a trip to the GP. If you forget your medication while away from home call your usual registered GP surgery during opening hours and they can arrange for a prescription to be sent electronically to a pharmacy local to where you are staying.



VISIT NHS 111 ONLINE OR CALL NHS 111

Need health advice? Unsure which health service you need? Visit NHS 111 online or call NHS 111 – both are available 24 hours, seven days a week. Calls are free from mobiles and landlines. Typetalk number is 18001.



MINOR ILLNESS OR INJURIES

For treatment of burns, cuts, wounds or infections contact NHS 111 for the nearest Urgent Treatment Centre where an appointment can be made for you if necessary or they can provide you with advice and guidance by phone or video consultation.



GP

If you take ill while away from home contact your registered practice in the first instance where you can be offered a telephone or video consultation. If your practice or NHS 111 say it is necessary to be seen at a GP Practice you can register for up to 14 days while away from home or work. Your temporary GP will pass any details of treatment you have to your own GP. If you are staying for a longer period of time you should still ring your usual registered practice in the first instance and receive telephone or video consultation as a first step.



Pharmacists are a parent's best friend this Bank Holiday!

As we approach the Spring bank holiday weekend and half-term breaks, NHS Lincolnshire ICB is advising parents how to deal with a range of common childhood illnesses – by seeking advice from their local pharmacy.

Young children are more vulnerable to coughs, colds and infections because their immune systems are still developing. That means they tend to become ill more often than adults and take longer to recover, particularly when a large number of common illnesses are circulating.

Although it can be worrying when a child becomes poorly, the vast majority of illnesses can be managed at home using over-the-counter medicines available from a pharmacist. Parents are therefore encouraged to visit their local pharmacy first when their children become ill – and be prepared by taking a pharmacist's advice on available remedies.

Childhood illness can be very stressful for parents, especially those with very young children who aren't able to articulate exactly what is wrong with them.

In almost all cases, parents can manage their child's illnesses at home with over-the-counter medication that may ease symptoms, plenty of rest, fluids and TLC. If your child has symptoms that worry you or that you haven't seen before, a pharmacist may be able to offer advice.

If your child becomes ill in the night there is information available online at www.nhs.uk or you can contact NHS 111 online or call 111 if you need urgent medical advice but it's not a life-threatening emergency.

Pharmacies may also be able to offer treatment and prescription medicine for some conditions, without you needing to see a GP (this is called Pharmacy First). Conditions they can treat as part of Pharmacy First are:

- earache (aged 1 to 17 years)
- impetigo (aged 1 year and over)
- infected insect bites (aged 1 year and over)
- shingles (aged 18 years and over)
- sinusitis (aged 12 years and over)
- sore throat (aged 5 years and over)
- urinary tract infections or UTIs (women aged 16 to 64 years)

If you go to a pharmacy with one of these conditions, the pharmacist will offer you advice, treatment or refer you to a GP or other healthcare professional if needed. They will then update your GP health record.

If you are not within these age ranges, a pharmacist can still offer advice, but you may need to see a GP for treatment.



What do you do When Your Child is Unwell?

Parents and carers in Lincolnshire are being reminded to make sure they know how to deal with common childhood illnesses during the forthcoming bank holiday and half-term break. Young children are more vulnerable to coughs, colds and infections because their immune system is still developing. An adult may get two to four colds a year, children can get eight to 12 and most of these can be treated at home with over the counter medication and rest.

It can be difficult to know the best way to care for children when they become ill but Dr Sunil Hindocha, GP and Medical Director for NHS Lincolnshire ICB explains:

“All parents worry when their child is poorly, but most of the time childhood illness can be managed at home with advice from your pharmacist and lots of rest.

“Speak to your local pharmacist as a first point of call. They can advise on the appropriate over the counter medicines that are suitable for your child’s age. If you continue to have concerns and want advice use NHS 111 online or call NHS 111 to speak to one of their highly trained advisers.

Colds and bugs can be managed with pain relief, and cough mixture. It’s worth having a thermometer at home to check your child’s temperature.

You can check the NHS website (www.nhs.uk) for details on how to care for a child with a high temperature.

If your child has an upset tummy or flu it’s best to keep them away from the elderly and other children who can be vulnerable to infection. Children should learn good hand hygiene early and be encouraged to wash their hands regularly, particularly after playing, going to the toilet and before eating.

For more advice on staying well this winter www.nhs.uk/staywell





WAITLESS



Avoid long wait times
when you need
urgent care

16 mins travel

11 patients waiting

longest wait 59 mins

Total Wait

1 hr 5 mins



WaitLess

The WaitLess app combines travel, waiting and treatment times at all urgent care facilities across Lincolnshire, empowering patients to make informed decisions on the most appropriate setting to receive care.

The app also displays a full list of services available at each site, as well as parking and opening time information.

Don't wait.
Download **WaitLess** now.



School Office

Nocton Community Primary
School Office
01526 320234 or
admin@spiresfederation.co.uk

School Gate

The school gate is open from
08:45am each morning.
If you are late, please ensure
that you sign your child in at
reception

Attendance Term 3

Hedgehogs and Squirrels– 95.1%
Owls– 95.6%
Whole School – 97%

School office

If you are unable to get
through to Nocton please
call Dunston on 01526
320027 or
email [admin@spiresfeder
ation.co.uk](mailto:admin@spiresfederation.co.uk)

Changes to pick up arrangements

Can we ask that parents give us as much
notice as possible when changes are made
regarding children going home.
We understand that circumstances do
change, we have systems in place so we know
where each child should be, but late
calls/emails may not be picked up in time to
get the message to the relevant staff.

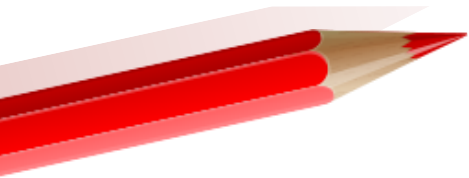
Thank You!

Wrap Around Care

Exciting News!!

During next half term we will be starting to offer WAC until 6.00 pm on a Friday as well!

Watch out for the details later in the term via Arbor.



NOCTON
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

WRAP AROUND CARE

We offer term time before and after school clubs for children at school including breakfast, snacks and drinks.

Monday to Friday
7.30am until 6pm

- Outdoor Games
- Treasure Hunts
- Themed events
- and much more!!!

Enquire Now admin@spiresfederation.co.uk

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk>

Wraparound childcare offers a safe, supportive and fun place outside of school hours. It also gives parents more flexibility with drop off and collection times.

Search 'Childcare Choices' to see what support you could get.



Here to help you juggle family life

Wraparound childcare is expanding across England.

And you can use Tax-Free Childcare or Universal Credit Childcare to help to pay for it.

Search 'Childcare Choices' to see what support you could get.



Wrap Around Care (WAC)



Wrap Around Care

Before and After School Childcare

2024/25

Our three schools offer wrap-around childcare provision for families. You may book the day and section of time that suits you. Bookings are made up to three days prior through our Parentmail payments system, with an up-front charge to cover the period booked. If you will be paying using Tax Free Childcare Vouchers, please select the box on PMX to make us aware.

Breakfast Time

For those children attending a before school session we will provide a variety of cereals, yoghurts and fruit, along with the option of toast for their breakfast. This will help them start their day on a nice full tummy. We aim to meet all dietary requirements, so please communicate with the WAC supervisor if you need an adjusted food provision.

If you book a 'drop-off' session only, breakfast is not provided.

After School Time

Following our school healthy eating approach, we offer the children a light, healthy snack and fruit to keep them full until you arrive to take them home for their family meal. We understand the importance of making sure the children are nutritionally balanced and will endeavor to make sure we fulfil those needs. Drinks and fruit will always be available throughout all sessions.

Medication

Should your child need to take any medication whilst at clubs please use the standard school medication form and inform us immediately.

Opening Times

We are delighted to now offer wrap around care as follows (new times and prices for 24/25):

Wrap Around Care (WAC)



Current Opening Times

We are delighted to now offer wrap around care as follows (new times and prices for 24/25):

WAC Session	Time	Price
Breakfast Club	7:30am - 8:45am	£5
Drop off Only	8:20am - 8:45am	£2.50
After School Club (early twilight)	3:20pm - 4:20pm	£4.50
After School Club (late twilight)	3:20pm - 6pm	£10

Ideally please book and pay before term starts to secure your place. We will try to accommodate late bookings – please contact the school office.

Clubs Staff

Mrs Butler	Dunston
Mrs Colley	Dunston
Mrs Elliott	Digby
Miss Thompson-Dowse	Nocton

Please call the school office if you have any queries.

For billing queries, please email admin@spiresfederation.co.uk specifying which school your query relates to.

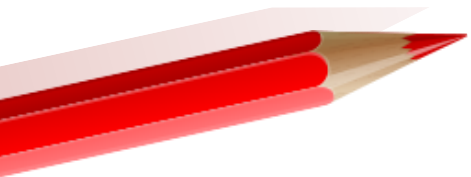
Wrap Around Care (WAC)



WAC out of school hours contact

If you need to contact the WAC Co-Ordinator after 3:30pm.
Please use the following number.

01526 552600

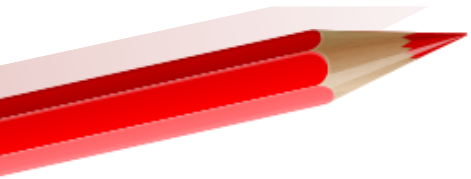


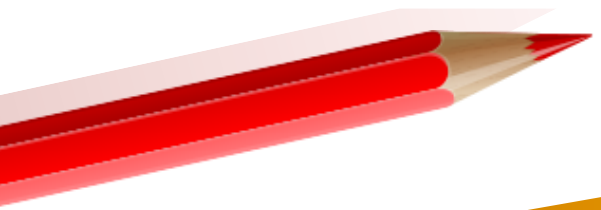


LSCP Child Safeguarding Week Webinars 23rd June to 27th June

LSCP are working with a range of partners to provide webinars during Child Safeguarding week. From Neurodiversity, LGBTQ+ Support, misogyny and online harm to managing children's anxiety and supporting self esteem. This is a great opportunity to hear to learn more about a range of topics from professionals in their field. All workshops are free to sign up for.

Follow the link to explore: [Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Week](#)





Happy Half
Term!

