



# Tower Times



*Reach for the Moon*

Week Commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2014

## ISSUE 107

Dear Parents / Carers

### School's Parental Survey

Next week will be Parents' Evenings and staff/governors will be on hand to give you a questionnaire for completion during the evening. We always value your opinion in taking the school forward and the maximum responses will ensure reliable results are obtained from the survey. Please take a few minutes to complete the questionnaire and hand back to a member of staff/governor.

Thank you in advance.

### WORLD BOOK DAY

We came to school in our pyjamas and the teachers did too. The teachers did a little play for the children. Mr Anderson was the Big Bad Wolf. After school the parents came to school in the hall to read their children books.

**Liam Ivermee and Brooke Saunders**



### GARDENING CLUB

Gardening Club will be starting up again soon. Hopefully our new bottle green house will be up and running for us to start growing.

Any donations of seeds, compost, seed trays etc. would be most appreciated. **Thank you.**

### CYCLES LEFT NEAR SCHOOL OFFICE

If cycles are left in the cycle racks near the school office, we cannot accept responsibility, as they are outside the locked boundary of the school.

### CANCELLATION OF HOT LUNCHES

Please be aware that our Kitchen (Food4Thought) now have a mobile telephone on site which you should phone when cancelling your child's lunch e.g. illness, medical appointment etc. The number is 07460631323 and will be available between the hours of 9am and 3pm.

### MUSIC MAKING AFTERNOON AT FINKIN STREET CHURCH

On Wednesday afternoon, KS1 recorders and choir walked to Finkin Street Church to take part in the music making afternoon of Grantham Music Festival. This was a chance for local schools to showcase their talents in a non-competitive environment and there was a great turn out. The recorder players coped very well with their first performance in front of an audience and were beautifully led by Mrs Jacklin. KS1 choir children enjoyed the more intimate venue and performed their songs better than they ever had before (helped by Mrs Kightley finally getting all the words right!). A big thank you to all the parent helpers who helped escort the children and enjoyed the many performances. A thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

## **SOUTH SITE**

Unfortunately, it is necessary once again to remind all parents that they should not allow their children to play on the South site either before or after school.

## **REMINDER**

Please be reminded that the premises and within the boundaries of the school are a non-smoking area.

## **SCoRE CELEBRATION EVENT**

Last Wednesday, Miss. Bryan took the three Carbon Ambassadors to Honington Grange for the SCoRE project celebration event. We had a great day making and racing solar cars, and ours was the overall champion in the children's race AND teachers' race! We received certificates and badges and created new action plans for the coming term. We would like to thank all of the children and staff for their support in reducing our carbon emissions over the last few terms and hope that we can continue to reduce them even more. Watch out for future events and information on how to become one of our special helpers!



**Our Carbon Ambassadors**



## **LEAVING AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY VIA THE SMALL HAND GATE**

We have noticed that parents, with or without children, are walking in the middle of the road after collecting their child/ren from the KS1 playground area. This is both dangerous and prohibits cars from travelling to the Railway Car Park and to Network Rail. Please ensure everyone's safety by remaining on the pavement.

## **SMALL 'CARS' RUCKSACK containing nappies and wipes**

This was left in the hall after Celebration Assembly two weeks ago. If it belongs to you please pop into the school office to collect.

## **FOOTBALL FRIENDLY**

### **HUNTINGTOWER v CLIFFEDALE**

Another football friendly game organised, but this time Cliffedale Primary School were the opponents who travelled to us on Tuesday 4th March. We agreed to play two matches, group A and group B teams.

The first game was for group 1 and the players selected were; Phylan, Josh W, Piotrek, Sam B, Max, Sammy and Maksim.

They played some impressive football throughout this game, with good work ethic from Sammy who delivered perfectly good crosses into the box that allowed Max and Piotrek to score! Phylan in goal had a quiet afternoon, mainly due to the defenders Josh and Maksim doing their jobs and making some excellent tackles but when needed, Phylan swept up the loose ball and played quickly to allow Piotrek and Sam to push forward and pressure their defence. The boys showed good team work and passing from today's game and all should be pleased with their performance.

Overall the game finished 3 - 0 to Huntingtower with Max scoring 2 and Piotrek 1.

The second game was for group 2, Frazer, Gytis, Chloe, Matthew, James, Hubert, Jacob and Jack took part. Another impressive performance from the team; Frazer making some outstanding saves in goal, Gytis and Chloe being in the correct positions in defend and stop Cliffedale attacking on many occasions.

Hubert, Jack and James were continually working hard in midfield to support our forwards and then doing their defensive duties with Matthew, making his debut for the team and Jacob pressuring their defence and getting forward as much as possible also made it hard for Cliffedale.

Overall the team worked extremely hard and never gave up and was unlucky to lose 1 - 0 at the end but all should be very pleased with their performance.

A very big "Thank You" goes to all the parents/family members who came and supported the children and for Jack (Mrs Dilloway's husband) who volunteered to ref the game.  
Mrs Duxbury-Mead

### SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS 2014

Vouchers are again being issued by Sainsbury's - one voucher for every £10 spent. These vouchers will be issued for purchases made between 29.01.14 and 20.05.14. The more we receive the more free items we will be able to order

### PE - Reminders

Just some general reminders:

- children should have their PE kit in school every day
- girls should not wear tights for PE
- earrings need to be removed before a PE lesson.

### INSET DAY - No children in school

Teacher/Staff Training *Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March*  
- just to confirm this is our next training day for all staff. **The school will be closed!**

### ATTENDANCE

Attendance Award Cups were today presented to:  
KS1 - Class Koalas 98.33%  
and

KS2 - Class Zebras 98.71%

Well done children!

Overall percentage up from last week so heading in the right direction.

**Overall - 95%**

### Question of the Week

Why do birds sing?

### Grantham Music Festival

Registered Charity no.1044961

**5<sup>th</sup> March – 11<sup>th</sup> March 2014**

**CHRISTCHURCH, FINKIN STREET**

by kind permission of the Minister and Church Council

**The Festival starts with the Primary Music Making afternoon on**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 1.00 pm.**

**The Trophy presentations and Trophy winners' Concert will be held on**

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 7 pm**

The Festival adjudicator this year is Chris Gasson who studied the trumpet at Birmingham Conservatoire and completed his MA in performance in 2002, during which time he studied with Jon Holland (CBSO) and Andrew Stone-Fewings (RSC).

He has worked as a freelance musician in a wide variety of musical styles, from orchestral and chamber music through to jazz and rock. Chris has performed as a soloist with a number of orchestras and has given numerous public recitals across the UK. He has also worked as an examiner for Trinity Guildhall since 2005 and has undertaken tours in India, Australia, Japan and Europe, alongside work in the United Kingdom.

**Programmes available at the Guildhall Arts Centre, Simmonds Music, East Midland's Sound & Lighting**

### Dates for your Diary:

#### Term 4

Parents' Evenings *Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March - 3.30 - 6.30pm*

Teacher/Staff Training *Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March*

Class/Group Photographs *Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March*

Ragtex Textile Recycling Collection *Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March*

Term Ends *Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April*

#### Term 5

Term Begins *Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April*

Bank Holiday - *Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May*

Y6 SATS *Monday 12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> May*

Y3, Y4, Y5 SATS *(date to be confirmed)*

Term Ends *Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May*

