The Lincoln Low-down

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Hello again,

Welcome to the second edition of The Lincoln Lowdown.

What a busy few weeks we've had! We've had exams, trips, charity events and we even climbed Mount Everest... sort of. The Easter holidays have come at just the right time. I hope you all have a lovely break with your children and we look forward to seeing them again after the holiday. In the mean-time please enjoy this little newsletter.

Happy holidays,

Mr Barnes

Head of Centre

Introducing....

Hello everyone, I am the Vice Chair of the Local Governing Body for Springwell Lincoln City Academy and have been on the Governing Body since May 2017. I have been living in Lincolnshire for more than 30 years and am enjoying the opportunity to give something back. I still work as a Human Resource Advisor and have many years of experience and a Master's Degree in this field.

It has been a privilege to watch the positive changes to the Academy during the last 2 years and the progress with the new buildings. I have found all my visits to the school to be a positive experience and it is great to see the staff developing a real culture of nurture within the Academy.

In my spare time I enjoy watching sport, in particular swimming, I am also involved in a more hands on way as a swimming referee overseeing competitions from beginner to international level. Watching children develop and grow in any field is one of life's great gifts.

I hope you all have a very happy Easter.

Ann Oldham

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Primary 1

This term in Primary 1, our topic has been 'Dinosaur Planet'. We have done some really exciting activities! We printed using paint, sponges and stencils to create eye-catching pictures for our topic wall. We also made salt dough and pressed plastic dinosaurs into them to create amazing 'fossils'.

Mr Lidstone brought in a stuffed crocodile and some fossils for us to look at – they were fascinating and when Mrs Burrows posted photographs on Class Dojo, some of the parents were worried that the crocodile was real!





Next term our topic will be 'Muck, Mess and Mixtures' – sounds like messy fun!

What a busy term we have had - Happy Easter from us all!



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Primary 2

Primary 2 have really enjoyed our topic on 'Potions' this term. This has included work on liquid, solids and gases, where we used ourselves to show how the different particles behave, and lots of English work around stories where different potions play an important part in the story. The children's witches' spells from Macbeth were brilliant.....but gruesome!





We were also lucky enough to have a visit from Mrs Goodwin who helped all of the children to make bath bombs and massage oil - hopefully all of the mums have been treated to a lovely hand massage for a Mother's Day treat by now!





Happy Easter from us all in P2!



As a parent, if you need support there are several agencies that can help you:

- Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum email <u>admin@lincspcf.org.uk</u> tel 07925 232466
- Liaise email <u>liaise@lincolnshire.gov.uk</u> tel 0800 195 1635
- Look on the Lincolnshire Local Offer for details of support groups <u>http://search3.openobjects.com/kb5/lincs/fsd/localoffer.page?familychannel=2</u> email <u>fis@lincolnshire.gov.uk</u> or call 0800 195 1635.

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Primary 3

Since Christmas, Primary 3 have been very busy looking at our topics of The Frozen Kingdom and the converting our igloo into a castle for Potions! Unfortunately we didn't have any real snow during our topic but we did look at the coldest place on Earth, where bugs go in winter and why snow is white during our Mystery Doug video sessions on Mondays. We have worked hard on our Maths skills too. We've looked a various potions and written poems about them, how to mix them up and what ingredients would be best for a Wizard's Brew.



Last week we had a visitor to class who demonstrated and then helped the class to make Bath Bombs and massage oil - we even learnt a massage to help relax our friends. Everyone had great fun.

Primary 3 have been represented on the student council by Jordash and Makai who asked if Mr Barnes could purchase some remote control cars for rewards - everyone has had a really fantastic time using these.



From Primary 3, staff and pupils would all like to wish you a Happy Easter!

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Fun!

The children often spend some time 1:1 with our Care Team and Intervention TA. They are working on all sorts of things but they do seem to have a lot of fun along the way! They also enjoy our lunch time craft club.



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KS3A



This term KS3A have been cooking up a storm in the kitchen. They have made a variety of sweet and savoury dishes - from sausage rolls and pizzas to double chocolate cakes. Our favourite being the chocolate cake of course! We have also enjoyed engaging in "reading buddies" with pupils from different key stages. We have been developing

our maths skills too, and helping primary students

with theirs by playing our favourite maths game - maths bingo!! Especially as it means we get to win some sweets too.



Happy Easter from KS3A!



Easter Fun!

What do you call an egg from outer space?

An "Egg-stra terrestrial"

What kind of stories do rabbits like best?

Ones with hoppy endings!

What music to rabbits listen to?

Hip hop!

How does the Easter Bunny keep his fur in place? With hare spray



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KS3B

KS3B have had a busy time this term. We have bossed it at boxing, scaled the heights at climbing, buddied up and done some great reading and made a mint for Comic Relief by running various events and helping to raise £165. We have also

waved goodbye to three of our boys who have returned to main stream so a big well done to them. We have made some lovely presents for Mothers' Day and cards for Easter too.









Happy Easter from KS3B!









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Reading Buddies

We have started "Reading Buddies" this term. We pair our older students up with the younger ones and they share a book together each week.





It looks like Mr Colley and Mr Hobson have joined in too!





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Key Stage 4



Lots has gone on this term! We had a great workshop from the Amy Winehouse Foundation to kick off the term - it tied in really well to some of the NOCN units we have been studying. Some great cooking

has been done: Brandon and Gabby have cooked some amazing dishes – we've all enjoyed them!

New students have joined us recently and are settling in well; Ellie loves art and along with Leah and Molly, has produced some lovely paintings. Luke has gone from strength to strength with his Work Experience and is now doing 2 days a week. All have had some Functional Skills exam successes and are looking forward to the next round.



Additionally, KS4B staged a murder trial this term



The court room...

....and the jury



We've all been working hard to complete our NOCN work and are ready for our Easter break.

Happy Easter from Key Stage 4!



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Thank you.....

We try to fundraise for others during the year. Recently, we raised money to support Red Nose day. Thank you for all of your generous donations – we had a lot of fun!



We also celebrated World Book Day. Thank you again for helping the children dress up for this, there were lots of great costumes.



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