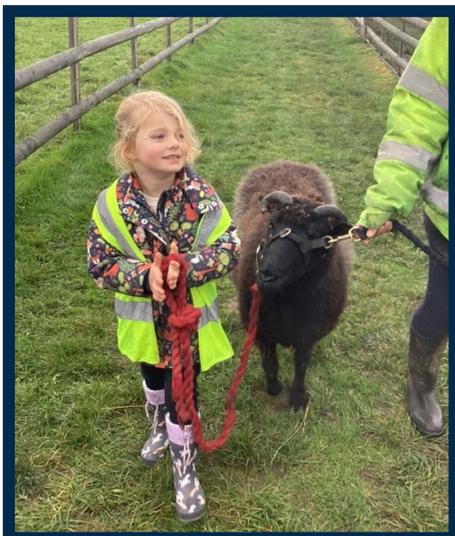


MARSHCHAPEL NEWS

The children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the importance of Remembrance Day. Skylarks welcomed a poet from West End In Schools, who created freeze frames to poetry with the children. They learnt lots of key facts about World War I and were eager to visit the war memorial in the village too. Lapwings have found out why poppies are important on Remembrance day and have created their own.



Lapwings had a fun visit to Nunny's Farm in Grimsby to experience holding, feeding and caring for animals. The absolute highlight was getting to walk the sheep!



GRAINTHORPE NEWS

Following an inspirational drama workshop with West End in Schools, the Barn Owls created artwork and poetry to commemorate Remembrance Day.

Remember Them

Now we shall lay in Flanders Fields,
With an ocean of ruby red,
We shall remember them.

We feel the sunset,
And the sun rise,
On the 11th hour,
Of the 11th day,
Of the 11th month,
The soldiers at war no more,
And we will remember them.
The church bells ring,
Two minutes silence begins - silence!
So rest in peace my friends,
We will remember them.

By Nelly



We Will Remember Them

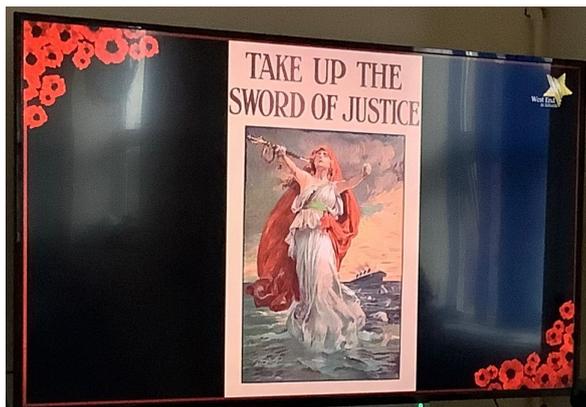
The sea of scarlet whirls,
Their tombstones lay in rows and rows,
These souls won't see again,
We will remember them.

Fighting conflict between 30 nations,
These people risked their lives for us,
We will remember them.

The allies won on the 11th hour of the 11th
day of the 11th month.

Life still goes on because they died,
And we will remember them.

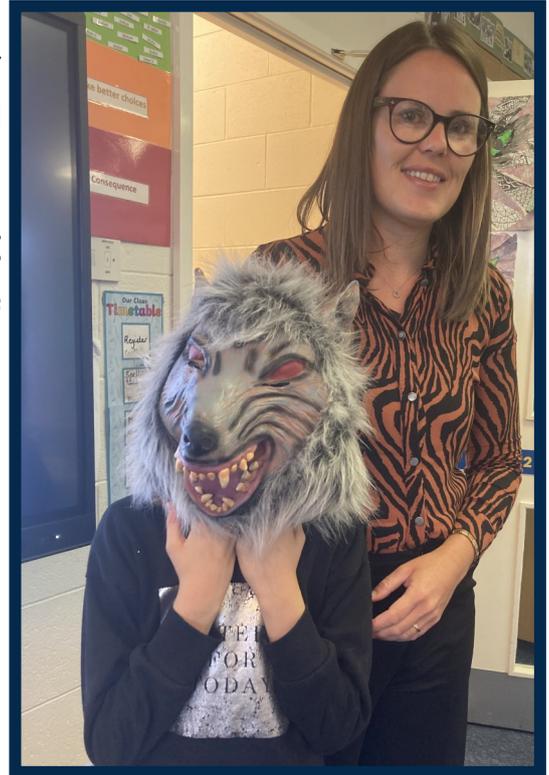
By Paul



WELCOME TO MRS CLIFFORD

Mrs Clifford has joined our staff as our Senior Teacher at Grainthorpe. She has settled in well with her new class and is enjoying the learning!

We have been lucky to have Mrs Parker working with us this term too - she is based in the Kestrels class.



Mrs Clifford is on the right!

SUPER

HOME LEARNING!

Look at these amazing Viking longboats created during the half term break. We have some very talented children, and families!

The class have been researching Norse gods and are really getting into the project. I can't wait to see where the learning takes them.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term 2, 2023

17.11.2023 Break the Rules Day - PTFA fundraising event for Pudsey's Children in Need! Everything raised will go to Children in Need. 50p per broken rule!

You can choose what you'd like to do and bring in the money for a worthy cause.

07.12.23 Louth Christmas Tree Festival starts at St James' Church

08.12.23 Santa's grotto at Marshchapel 2pm-6pm - come visit Father Christmas!

12.12.23 Children's Christmas performance for Marshchapel

13.12.23 Federation visit to Grimsby Auditorium for Jack and the Beanstalk!

14.12.23 Carol Service at Marshchapel Church 6pm (both schools invited)

15.12.23 Christmas Jumper Day, Farm Kitchen Christmas Dinner, and a visit from Santa. PTFA Christmas Bake Off!

18.12.23 Children's Christmas performance for Grainthorpe

20.12.23 End of term – celebration assemblies, both schools.

Term 3, 2024

03.01.24 Children back to school on Wednesday

All term dates are on our website.





SAFEGUARDING IN OUR COMMUNITY

If you have any safeguarding concerns to do with children please let us know. Our Federation has a designated safeguarding lead professional (DSL), Mrs Turner and a deputy DSL, Mrs Manders. Please telephone school on 01472 869075 (M) or 01472 869035 (G).

If you have a safeguarding issue to discuss, you can contact Children's Services directly on 01522 782111.

STAYING SAFE ON THE ROADS - BE SEEN BE SAFE!



As the nights draw in and we leave school in the twilight, it's important we can be seen out and about. School has provided a reflective armband and a smiley face reflector to help children be visible.

We plan to re-visit safety on the roads regularly and I hope to train some of our older children as Junior Road Safety Officers (JOSOs) to help spread the message and keep everyone safe.

NURSERY into RECEPTION 2024 and YEAR 2 into YEAR 3 JUNIORS



STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2024?

'Come and join our small class, a place where we test our own theories and actively learn to reach our aspirations'



Letters will be sent home next week to children in nursery who will be full-time school age from September 2024—please apply!

Year 2 children must apply for a junior school place; it isn't an automatic move.

We are happy to help with your application. Just ask in the office. Thank you!



KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE—AN ONLINE SESSION FOR PARENTS



Ask Dan Anything Online Safety Q and A for Primary School

Parents 6th December 6-7:30pm sign up required:

In the Keeping Safe Online Survey of 2023 Lincolnshire Children who reported having less parental supervision online were more likely to report being bullied online, effective parental/guardian supervision of a child's online activity reduced the risk of children being bullied online by up to 39%. The online space can feel overwhelming with new apps and trends, it can be hard to keep up! We want to give you the information and tools to help you feel confident enough to protect your children and young people from online harm. Dan Hawbrook our resident Online Guru will chat you through different apps, online trends, parental controls and any other burning questions you may have! Sign up is required.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ask-dan-anything-for-parents-of-primary-school-aged-children-tickets-717791562887?aff=oddtcreator>

HEIGHT AND WEIGHT MEASUREMENT FOR RECEPTION AND YEAR 6

If you're happy for your child to be part of the programme you don't need to do anything. There is a letter on Tapestry (Rec) and Class Dojo (Y6) with information about how to opt out.

School height and weight measurements

Every year, throughout England, more than a million children in Reception and Year 6 have their height and weight measured at school as part of the National Child Measurement Programme

PARENTS ARE NOTIFIED

Parents receive a letter about measurement day at their child's school. The letter tells parents how children are measured, what data is collected, and why.

SCHOOL HEIGHT & WEIGHT CHECKS

Measurements are carried out by trained staff e.g. school nurse assistant. Children take off their coat and shoes for a more accurate measurement.

PARENTS' FEEDBACK LETTER

Most areas send parents a confidential letter about their child's weight status within 6 weeks of measurement.

PARENTS' ACTION

A parent can speak to their school nurse or GP for further advice and support about their child's weight and growth.

Parents can visit the [children's weight](#) page at Better Health - Families for tips on healthier changes.

Parents can monitor their child's weight by visiting the [NHS healthy weight calculator](#).

DATA USE

The data is held by the local authority and sent to NHS England and Department of Health and Social Care, where it is stored securely and used for analysis. It builds a picture of how children are growing to help plan better health and leisure services for families.

87% of parents say they find the NCMP feedback helpful.

What we know from the data collected so far

- Most children in Reception and Year 6 are a healthy weight.
- Around one in ten children in Reception is very overweight. This doubles to one in five children by year 6.
- The number of very overweight children in Year 6 is increasing year on year
- Most children who are overweight in Reception will remain so or become even more overweight for their age by year 6 without action to achieve a healthier weight.

Because many children are overweight, we are all becoming used to seeing heavier children as the norm. It means we cannot always tell when a child is overweight. That is why many parents find it helpful to have an objective measurement of how their child is growing. More than 8 in 10 parents say this information is helpful and they can then make decisions about their child's lifestyle and wellbeing to make changes, or seek support if necessary.

Why achieving a healthy growth is important

When children are a healthy weight, they feel better about themselves. They find it easier to play and learn. And they are more likely to grow up healthy too. Helping them to be a healthier weight when they are a child can set up their health and wellbeing for life.

You can encourage the whole family to enjoy eating healthily and being active which will help your child achieve and maintain a healthier weight. Children who see their parents, grandparents and carers following a healthy and active lifestyle tend to join in and learn by example. These habits become a normal part of everyday life for the whole family.

For more information on helping your family lead a healthy life, please turn over.