

Welcome Back

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to the start of a new school year at Sutterton Fourfields and Swineshead St Mary's. We hope you had a wonderful summer break and are excited to embark on a new academic journey with us. This newsletter is packed with important information and updates to ensure a smooth and successful start to the school year. This year will be filled with amazing new adventures. Your child will make new friends, meet wonderful teachers, and discover many exciting things in their classrooms.

We are thrilled to have several teachers and staff members taking up new positions in our school family. Miss Cooke is the new Head of School at Swineshead alongside Mrs Hutchinson. Miss Lambe and Mrs Parnell are at Swineshead and Mrs K Pick and Miss Collier have moved over to Sutterton. Each brings a wealth of knowledge, experience, and passion for education. Be sure to give them a warm welcome!

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Woods, our School Business Manager, at the end of September. Mrs Woods has been successfully appointed as a senior manager within the NHS. We wish Mrs Woods the very best for the future and she will be greatly missed by our schools.

Exciting Changes and Upgrades

Over the summer, we've been busy improving our facilities:

- Two new classrooms with toilet facilities at Sutterton: Bright, modern, and equipped with the latest technology to enhance learning.

We are also in the final stages of our academy conversion with the **Lincoln Anglican Academy Trust** and will join on 1st November.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

Mrs Collett

Executive Headteacher

Why Attendance Matters

We are committed to ensuring that every pupil receives the best possible education. Regular attendance is essential for success in school, and as part of our efforts to promote this, we want to inform you about the use of Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) in relation to school attendance. Fixed Penalty Notices are fines issued when a child's school attendance falls below acceptable levels without valid reasons.

These notices are part of legal measures designed to encourage consistent attendance and address issues of persistent absenteeism. We understand that there may be genuine reasons for a child's absence or lateness, and our priority is to work with families to address any underlying issues. If you are facing challenges that impact your child's attendance, please reach out to us. We can provide guidance, support, and resources to help improve your child's attendance.

PTFA

Our PTFA is an essential part of our school community, working tirelessly to support our pupils and staff. We invite all parents to join the PTFA and get involved. Dates to follow...

Extracurricular Activities

We encourage all pupils to get involved in our wide range of extracurricular activities. From sports teams to music and craft clubs, there's something for everyone. Participation in these activities is a great way to make new friends, develop new skills, and have fun! Clubs will start back on Monday 16th September.

Complaints Policy

The Complaints Policy is published on the school website. The federation has a range of pastoral, organisational and curriculum policies all available on the website. A hard copy is also available upon request from the school office.

KS2 Choral Singing

We are delighted to announce that Mr Lyons (Boston Parish Choral Singing Leader) will be working with our KS2 pupils across the federation in the second part of the autumn term on weekly choral singing culminating in a Christmas performance for families.

Allergies

Please note that nuts or snacks containing nuts are strictly forbidden in school.

Save the date!
Macmillan Coffee Morning/Afternoon
27th September.



Safeguarding

You can report any concerns to the school or directly to Children and Young People's Services (Social Services).

During Office hours contact the Children Services on 01522 782111 or email: lscb@lincolnshire.gov.uk.

Out of Office Hours (24-hours) contact the Emergency Duty Team (EDT) on 01522 782333.

Our Safeguarding Team is as follows:

Swineshead

The Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mrs Hutchinson and Miss Cooke

The Deputy Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Collett

Sutterton

The Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Baker

The Deputy Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Collett

School Uniform

The children look very smart in their uniforms; please be reminded that ALL items of clothing and personal belongings, including shoes must be named clearly; we suggest that a permanent marker is used or sewn in labels. Please encourage your child to be responsible for looking after their items, particularly on a PE day when they are getting changed.

Celebration Assembly

Our first Friday celebration assembly for parents will be on Friday 13th September at 9.00am for Sutterton and 2:30 pm for Swineshead. All parents welcome. Headteacher Awards are designed to highlight and reward pupils who go above and beyond outside of school life and parents/carers need to message Mrs Collett on Class Dojo if they would like to nominate a child.

School Council Elections

We are holding our School Council Elections. Two children from classes Year 2 - Year 5 will be eligible to represent the School Council. The children in Year 6 will stand for Vice or School House Captains for each of our 'house-teams'.

Anyone wishing to stand for election needs to prepare a short presentation explaining:

- ✚ Why they would like to be a School Council member
- ✚ What issues they think are important
- ✚ How they will work to represent the ideas of the class.

Good luck! 😊

Little FiSH

Little FiSH (Faith in Small Hearts) is a weekly Christian lunchtime club which runs from 12-noon until 12:30 pm every Monday at Sutterton and Thursday at Swineshead. It is open to all children. The club will start on Monday 9th September and will run throughout the year.

The club is organised by Mrs Jean Powell, our Bishop's Visitor, and is a fun club with activities, games, stories, discussions which focuses on life skills with links to Christian principles.

If your child would like to join this club, please remind them to come along!

The Farm Kitchen

The Farm Kitchen provide school lunches to the Emmaus Federation. There are a range of options for a healthy, nutritious hot meal each day. All the meals are prepared and cooked in the kitchens every morning on a farm not far from Boston. To find out how to order meals for your child, click on the link to their website: [The Farm Kitchen | Producing Freshly Prepared Delicious Food](#)

Prayer for a New Term

Loving God, thank you for all my friends, and my teachers/carers.

Thank you that I have the chance to learn new things every day.

Please bless everyone at school and please bless me too.

Help me to know that all day long, whether I'm having fun or whether I'm feeling upset, you're there for me. Amen

New Reception Pupils 2025

Are you looking for a nurturing and vibrant environment where your child can thrive?

At The Emmaus Federation, we believe every child deserves the best start in life. Let us be part of your child's educational journey. Come and visit us to meet our staff, explore our facilities, and learn more about what makes our schools special.

Further information and details of how to apply for a school place can be found at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Sutterton Diary Dates

8th September - Jelly Church at 3:30 - 4:30 pm at Sutterton Church. Crafting bird boxes, Jelly Church tea and singing with Father Mark

10th Sept - School Council Elections

10th Sept - Phonics workshop for Reception and Y1 parents at 2:30 pm

11th Sept - E-Safety Committee Elections

13th Sept - Y4/Y5 'Capture the Flag'

16th Sept - School clubs to start

16th Sept - PGL meeting at 3:30 pm at Sutterton

18th Sept - PGL meeting at 5:00 pm at Swineshead

23rd Sept - Sign Language Day

25th to 27th Sept - Year 6 PGL

26th Sept - Reception 2025 'Stay and Play' (classroom based) at 9:30 - 10:15 am

27th Sept - Macmillan Coffee Morning at 9:45 am - 10:45 am (cake donations welcome) - details to follow

27th Sept - Mrs Woods' last day

8th Oct - Reception 2025 'tour of the school' morning at 9:30 am

10th Oct - Harvest Festival at 9:30 am in church

10th Oct - Mental Health Awareness Day

11th Oct - Regent's Class Assembly at 9:00 am

14th Oct - Parents' Evening at 3:30 - 8:00 pm

14th Oct - Wrates school photographs

16th Oct - Reception 2025 'Stay and Play' (Forest School based) at 1:30 - 2:15 pm

18th Oct - Phoenix Class Assembly at 9:00 am

Half Term

29th Oct - Reception 2025 'Stay and Play' (classroom based) at 1:30 - 2:15 pm

1st Nov - Richmond Class Assembly at 9:00 am

4th to 7th Nov - Y6 bikeability

7th Oct - Reception 2025 'tour of the school' and information evening at 5 pm

8th Nov - St James' Class Assembly at 9:00 am

11th to 15th Nov - Anti Bullying Week, World Kindness Day and Odd Socks Day

11th Nov - Remembrance Assembly at 9:00 am

15th Nov - Children in Need Day (£1 non-uniform)

22nd Nov - Hyde Class Assembly at 9:00 am

25th Nov - Reception 2025 'tour of the school' afternoon

29th Nov - Central Class Assembly at 9:00 am

3rd Dec - International Day for People with Disabilities

10th Dec - Snow White Christmas Pantomime

Swineshead Diary Dates

10th Sept - School Council Elections

10th Sept - Phonics workshop for Reception parents at 9:00 am

11th Sept - E-Safety Committee Elections

13th Sept - Y4/Y5 'Capture the Flag'

16th Sept - School clubs to start

16th Sept - Reception 2025 families tour at 4:00 pm

16th Sept - PGL meeting at 3:30 pm at Sutterton

18th Sept - PGL meeting at 5:00 pm at Swineshead

23rd Sept - Sign Language Day

25th to 27th Sept - Year 6 PGL

27th Sept - Kirkstead Class Assembly at 2:15 pm

27th Sept - Macmillan Coffee Afternoon at 1:30 - 2:10 pm (cake donations welcome) - details to follow

4th Oct - Tintern Class Assembly at 2:15 pm

10th Oct - Harvest Festival at 1:30 pm in church

10th Oct - Mental Health Awareness Day

11th October - Fountain's Class Assembly at 2:15 pm

15th Oct - Parents' Evening at 3:30 - 8:00 pm

15th Oct - Wrates school photographs

18th Oct - Sempringham Class Assembly at 2:15 pm

Half Term

30th Oct - Reception 2025 'tour of the school' morning at 9:00 am

1st Nov - Crowland Class Assembly at 2:15 pm

8th Nov - Lindisfarne Class Assembly at 2:15 pm

11th to 15th Nov - Anti Bullying Week, World Kindness Day and Odd Socks Day

11th Nov - Remembrance Assembly at 2:30 pm

12th Nov - Reception 2025 'tour of the school' afternoon at 1:00 pm

15th Nov - Children in Need Day (£1 non-uniform)

15th Nov - Westminster Class Assembly at 2:15 pm

22nd Nov - Ramsey Class Assembly at 2:15 pm

29th Nov - Kelso Class Assembly at 2:15 pm

3rd Dec - International Day for People with Disabilities

6th Dec - Snow White Christmas Pantomime

Friday 18th October End of Term 1
Tuesday 29th October Start of Term 2
Thursday 19th December End of Term 2
Monday 6th January Start of Term 3

Communications With School

Please note that teaching staff are teaching and may not be able to respond to Dojo messages. To maintain a healthy work/life balance, messages may not be responded to until the following working day. Please contact the school office if you urgently need to contact the school.