The St Botolph's Cloud



October 2025 'Teach children how they should live and they will remember it all their life'

I can't believe that it is October already, the children have done really well and are enjoying their learning and their new teachers. The school is a happy place to be right now and I feel really lucky. Lot's of lovely things to look forward to.

<u>Congratulations to the new school counsellors</u> who are:

6A Thea & Darcii - 6B Jake B & Chloe

5A Noah & James - 5B Molly & Nevaeh

4A Georgia & Devan - 4B Jack & Edie

3A Ada & Caleb - 3B Victoria & Ethan

2A Grace & Theo - 2B Phoebe & Charlie

These children will represent their class and voice their opinions on how to improve the school. They will also suggest some new ideas. I am looking forward to working with them all.

Parent's Evenings

Will take place on Tuesday 7th October and Wednesday 8th October. Please remember to book a parents evening slot with your child's class teacher. Miss Hewerdine (SENDCO) will also be available on these two evenings

The Christian Value this term is Compassion

Compassion is our Christian value this term. We are constantly celebrating our Christian values in school.



The other five values are: Thankfulness, Perseverance, Friendship, Truthfulness and Respect. The children get rewarded certificates in worship on a Friday.

Healthy lunches.

Please remember that if your child is in Foundation stage, Year 1 and Year 2, they are eligible for Universal free school meals. Pop in to school for more information. The hot meals are lovely here at school. If your child has a packed lunch, please be mindful about what you give them. Sandwiches, wraps, dips, fruit, yoghurts are all good. We are seeing a lot of chocolate bars and crisps. I have attached a couple of links below to give you some ideas:

<u>Lunchbox ideas and recipes - Healthier Families</u> - NHS

75 Kids' Lunchbox Recipes | Good Food

Parking - We are still having parking issues. Mr Downing, one of our parent Governors, launched a new parking campaign this year to tackle this on-going issue. This started on Friday 19th September. You have probably seen his team out there. We would love you to get on board with us and eradicate this together. Please support this and keep everyone safe

<u>Website</u> I hope you have had a chance to look at the schools' website, please logon and find out what your child's curriculum and learning journey looks like here at St Botolph's. You can find, class information, dates, policies, lovely pictures, their year groups roadmaps and lots more. Home - St Botolph's Church of England Primary School

Just a polite reminder that our school day starts:

Foundation stage and KS1 (YR1 & YR2) - 8.40am - 3.10pm KS2 (YR3 to YR6) - 8.45am - 3.15pm. Mrs Wright and I will be on the gates every morning. I will be at the main entrance and Mrs Wright will be on the gate near the car park. Please say hi to us or come and see us if you have any issues or concerns.



Contact Details

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Message from the Chair of Governors

As the signs of autumn start to surround us, we find ourselves in a time of reflection and gratitude. October is a special month in our school calendar as we come together to celebrate Harvest—a time to give thanks for the abundance of God's blessings and to remember the importance of sharing with those in need.

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it." - Psalm 24:1

This beautiful verse reminds us that everything we have is a gift from God. It is a privilege that our school teaches our children the values of thankfulness and compassion. Through our Harvest Festival celebrations, we aim to instill these principles in their hearts, encouraging them to grow not only academically but also spiritually.

May this Harvest season be a time of joy and reflection for you and your family. Let us continue to sow seeds of hope and kindness, trusting that God will bring forth a bountiful harvest in our lives and the lives of others.

With blessings and gratitude,

Ian Freeman

Chair of Governors



Harvest Festival at St Botolph's Church will take place on Sunday 5th October at 11am - all are welcome.



Elite Sports

We are working with a company called Elite Sports who are doing a wonderful job here at school. Our lunchtime and after school clubs are well attended. The children are keen to learn new skills.

There are four **Safeguarding Officers** at St Botolph's CE Primary School: Mrs Dunham, Miss Hewerdine, Mrs Wright and myself.

Please contact us if you have any safeguarding concerns or questions.



Early Birds and Badgers Polite Reminder -

If invoices are two months in arrears it will not be possible for your child/ren to attend Early Birds and St Botolph's Badgers until the account is paid up.



Polite Reminder -

Please ensure you label ALL your child's belongings and correct uniform and PE kits are worn it is really important that we adhere to the school uniform policy. Uniform can be ordered from Nationwide School Uniforms

Accepted jewellery: watches, stud earrings (these must be covered for PE) no bracelets or necklaces accept for religious reasons. Please inform the class teacher via dojo for this. These must be removed for PE or when playing outside on any equipment.

Grey trousers, pinafore dresses or shorts. (NOT BLACK) Black school shoes. (NOT trainers or boots. Only boots in Foundation stage). No flashing lights please.

No bright bobbles, hairbands, just plain black/white. Black, grey, white socks only please. White polo shirt, royal blue jumper or cardigan (these do not have to have the school logo on them).

Please refer to the schools uniform policy for more detail. It would be great if we could get the above sorted together

PTFA NEWS

I'm excited to introduce myself as the new Chairperson of St Botolph's PTFA. I'm a mum of three children, who all attend St Botolph's, and professionally I am a People Operations Officer in the RAF.

Throughout my Service career, I've completed extensive training in leadership, management and administration, and served on various committees, gaining valuable experience in teamwork, decision-making and helping organisations to thrive. I was inspired to take on this opportunity, to put to use some of that experience in a community-focused environment, and to give something back to the school that has given so much in the care, development and education of our children.

The PTFA's goal is to strengthen school resources by raising funds for projects that benefit all St Botolph's pupils. We aim to support education, build strong relationships between parents and teachers, and provide activities and equipment that foster a truly inclusive culture. I'm particularly passionate about making sure everyone feels welcome and involved. The next PTFA meeting is on Monday 13th October at 6pm in the school hall. Please come and join me and the members of the PTFA.

Chairperson = Mrs S Morris Secretary - Mr P Ager Treasurer - Mrs Diggines

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with the PTFA if you have ideas for events or fundraising opportunities. I'm really looking forward to meeting more of you and working together to support our wonderful school community.

Kind regards Sarah Morris



OCTOBER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 1st October - Year 5 Lincolnshire Day Trip

Wednesday 1st October - Non Uniform Day Dress in

Tuesday 7th October - Parents Evening (appointments bookable via Parentmail)

Wednesday 8th October - Parents Evening (appointments bookable via Parentmail)

Thursday 9th October - School Photo's

Tuesday 14th October - Class 3B Wildwood Craft Trip

Thursday 16th October - Year 2 Lincoln Castle Trip

Friday 17th October - Class 3A Wildwood Craft Trip



Message from the Head

It is a pleasure and an honour to be the Headteacher here at St Botolph's school. There is so much to look forward to this year.

We break up on Friday 24th October and return on Monday 10th November.

Mrs D Wilson

<u>Headteacher</u>