



Friday 17th April 2026

Message from the Principal

Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful and restful Easter break and were able to enjoy some special time together as a family.

As we begin the Summer Term, we are excited about all that lies ahead. It promises to be a busy and rewarding term, filled with fantastic learning opportunities, memorable trips, and special celebrations for the children to enjoy. We are very much looking forward to seeing their continued progress and enthusiasm as the year moves forward.

We are also delighted to welcome to our year 5 team, Mrs Martin and Mrs Hoskins. We know they will make a wonderful contribution and quickly become valued members of the team.

Please take a moment to check the diary dates at the end of this newsletter to keep up to date with key events this term.

Year group Summer curriculum newsletters will be sent out next week, outlining what the children will be learning throughout the term. These will also be available on our website. In addition, please look out for our half-termly safeguarding newsletter, which will also be shared next week.

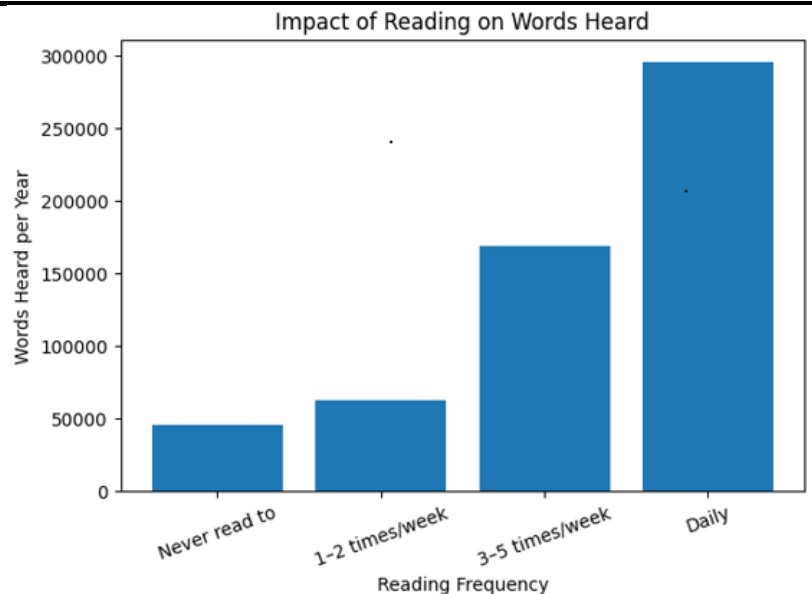
Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to a successful and enjoyable term ahead.

Mrs Cook

Why Reading is Important?

Reading with your child, even for just a few minutes a day, makes a huge difference to their learning. Children who are read to regularly hear far more words, helping them to build vocabulary, improve their understanding, and become more confident readers and speakers. Daily reading gives children the best start for success in school and beyond.

Research shows how the number of words a child hears increases dramatically when they are read to more often.



MCAS - Announcements

We now using the Announcements feature on My Child at School (MCAS). Please keep an eye out for future announcements.

Toddler Stay and Play

For Parents and Carers with Children Starting School September 2027.

Come and Meet the EYFS Team and Explore Our Wonderful Setting!

Friday 15th May
10.00 am – 10.45 am

Please book via the school office:

01507 308620
enquiries@kidgateacademy.co.uk



LCC Transport

Lincolnshire children starting primary school or secondary school in September 2026. If your child is starting primary school or transferring to secondary school in September 2026, they may be eligible for school transport. If you think your child is eligible, please apply for transport from 2 March (secondary offer day) or 16 April (primary offer day) once you have your offer of a school place.

Applications can be made online at the website below. Please do not apply until you have a formal offer of a school place. For more information about the home to school transport policy and online applications please go to www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-college-transport. Queries can be emailed to schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk.

LCC Reporting Nuisance Parking

If you witness nuisance parking, LCC have requested us to share the below link for you to report.

[Report nuisance parking | Nuisance parking – Lincolnshire County Council](#)

Dates for your Diary - Friends of Kidgate Events

End of term year discos (more details to follow)

Wednesday 15th July – Year 5 and 6

Thursday 16th July – EYFS, Year 1, 2, 3 and 4

Children are invited to bring their party wear to school and enjoy the festivities.

Summer Fayre Preparations

Friday 10th July - Non-Uniform Day

Children are invited to wear non-uniform and bring contributions for the Summer Fayre.

Summer Fayre

Friday 17th July – from 3.30pm

Come along and enjoy our Friends of Kidgate Summer Fayre.

Dates for your Diary – Year 6

We would like to share some important upcoming dates for our Year 6 pupils so that you can note them in your diaries.

- 5th May – 5.00 pm - Year 6 PGL 2026 Meeting
- 11th – 14th May – SAT's
- 4th & 5th June - Back2Bear
- 3rd, 4th & 5th June – PGL
- Wednesday 15th July – End of Term Disco

Our Year 6 production will take place on two occasions:

- Monday 20th July, 5:30 – 6:30pm
- Wednesday 22nd July, 9:00 – 10:00am

In addition, there will be a Leavers' Assembly on Wednesday 22nd July, which will follow the morning performance. The assembly will run from 10:15 – 11:00am.

Safeguarding

Update for Parents



We're aware that some children may have received a new tablet / ipad. The link below provides advice and guidance to parents relating to parental controls on tablets.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers/tablets>

Keep me safe online'

We want to help you to keep your child safe online, so please find below a couple of resources to support you.

Do take the time to have a quick look as there are step-by-step instructions, as well as short videos.

[Parental controls and privacy settings guides | Internet Matters](#)

[How to access Parent Guides](#) from the National College

Attendance Matters

Please remember that the government's expected level of attendance is 96%.

Please make sure that your child only stays at home if they are very unwell.

A mild cough or cold is not a reason for them to stay at home. Please also ensure that your child arrives punctually in the mornings – school begins at 8.50 am, the gates close at 8.55 am, and if your child arrives after that time, they will be marked as late.

Our school attendance this week is:
93.90%



Websites for supporting your children in school and at home...

[Supporting-Toolkit-Eating-Disorders-Resource-for-Educational-Settings-1.pdf](#)

[The Lincolnshire Autistic Society - Lincolnshire Autistic Society](#)

[Healthy Minds Lincolnshire: Lincolnshire Young Minds](#)

[Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service \(CAMHS\): Lincolnshire Young Minds](#)
[Home: Lincolnshire Young Minds](#)

Parent information – further information added 27.03.26

We would like to share the following links with our school community. They were kindly shared by a parent, who found them very helpful when thinking about how to work with her children. We hope these resources may also be useful for other families, and we're pleased to pass them on as part of our ongoing commitment to supporting parents and carers. Thank you to the parent who shared these with us.

[Deborah L. Tillman Reels | Facebook](#)

[ABA Naturally - YouTube](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/thrivingmindsmontessori>

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61588638059746>

[Early support care coordination – Lincolnshire County Council](#)

[How Are You Lincolnshire | Support](#)

Food Bank

- If you require support from our food bank, please scan the QR code
- This will take you to a Microsoft form, where you will be able to select whether you would like a bag of **food essentials**, a bag of **toiletry essentials** or **both**.
- The request will go to a member of our Food Bank team.
- The bag will be left at the school office for you to collect, and you will be informed when it is ready.
- Please note this will be done discreetly.
- We look forward to being able to support many families in our school community.



Dates for Diary

APRIL

- 20th April - Years 1 & 5 Road Safety (In house)
- 20th April – 3.30 pm - Year 5 PGL 2027 Information Meeting
- 27th April Y3 and Y4 Road Safety

MAY

- 4th May – Bank Holiday – School Closed
- 5th May – 5.00 pm - Year 6 PGL 2026 Meeting
- 6th May – Back2Bear Final Payment Due (Y6)
- 11th – 14th May – Year 6 SATS
- TBC - Pedestrian Training year 2
- 13th May – Years 3 & 4 Girls Netball
- 15th May – Toddler Play and Stay 10.00 – 10.45 am – Reception 2027 children
- Friday 22nd May – Last Day of Term

JUNE

- 1st June – First Day of Term
- 2nd June – Vision Screening – Details to follow
- 1st – 12th June – Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
- 3rd – 5th June - Year 6 PGL Trip
- 4th June – KS1 Multi Skills
- 4th – 5th June – Back2Bear

- 8th – 12th June – Year 1 Phonics
- 9th June – Class 3D start Swimming Lessons
- 9th June – Writes Class Photos
- 9th June – Years 5 & 6 Rounders
- 11th June – Welcome Evening for Reception 2026 starters
- 12th June – Colour Run for all year groups – Details to follow
- 15th – 18th June Bikeability Year 5
- 16th June Scatter Ball Years 3/4
- 26th June- Stay and Play 1 for Reception 2026 starters
- 30th June – Years 5 & 6 Tri Golf

JULY

- 3rd July – Stay and Play 2 for Reception 2026 starters
- 10th July – Friends of Kidgate - Non-uniform Day - Contributions for Summer Fayre
- 15th July – End of Term Disco – Year 5& 6 - Details to follow
- 13th and 14th July Parents’ Evening (to discuss report)
- 16th July – End of Term Disco – EYFS, Years 1, 2 3 & 4– Details to follow.
- 17th July – Friends of Kidgate - Summer Fayre – From 3.30 pm
- 20th July – 5.30 pm – 6.30 pm Year 6 Production
- 22nd July – 9.00 am – 10.00 am – Year 6 Production
- 22nd July – 10.15 am – 11.00 am – Year 6 Leavers Assembly
- Thursday 23rd July – Last Day of Term

