



**KIDGATE  
ACADEMY**

Fortnightly Newsletter  
'Growing Kind Hearts and Curious Minds'

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026

## Message from the Principal

A huge thank you to all our families for your continued support this term, we really do appreciate everything you do to help our school community.

The children have been working incredibly hard this week and we are so proud of them. They have shown great effort in their learning and have demonstrated our school values of Respect, Resilience and Kindness throughout the week. Well done everyone! ★

**On Friday 13th February, we will be celebrating Special Friends Day.**

Pupils will be sharing poems and kind messages with the people who are special to them. This is a lovely opportunity to celebrate friendship, kindness and the important people in our lives. 😊 Details to follow.

**Tesco Blue Tokens – Please Support Kidgate Academy! ❤️**

If you are shopping in Tesco, Mablethorpe over the next few weeks please look out for the Tesco blue token scheme at the checkout.



We would be very grateful if you could pop your token into the **Kidgate Academy** slot to help us raise money towards a **large sandpit for all the children** to enjoy.

A new sandpit will support outdoor play, creativity, communication and teamwork — and will be a fantastic addition to our outdoor learning environment. Thank you again for helping us make a difference for all our children! 😊

*Mrs Cook*

### 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](#)

### Royal British Legion – Poppy Appeal

Thank you for all your support with the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. We raised a massive £337.99.

### At Kidgate Academy, our children follow three key values:

**Respect** – being polite, listening to others and taking care of our school and each other.

**Resilience** – trying our best, not giving up, and learning from mistakes.

**Kindness** – being friendly, helpful, and making others feel safe and included.

## Young Artists' Summer Show

This term, our school has signed up to the Young Artists' Summer Show. This show is a free open submission exhibition for young artists aged between 4 and 18 years in the UK. There is no theme, which really encourages the children to showcase their own unique styles and ideas.

Artwork can be in the form of drawing, painting, printing, photography and sculpture and can be original artwork your child has already created, or something created solely for this exciting opportunity. The artwork will need to be photographed and submitted no later than 5pm on 4<sup>th</sup> March. If selected, your child's artwork will be displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts. Please read the attached guidance for more information and visit the following link to submit your child's artwork:

<https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk>



## Attendance Matters

Please remember that the government 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.



## 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](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-college-transport). Queries can be emailed to [schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk).

## Safeguarding Update for Parents

We're aware that some children may have received a new tablet/ipad for Christmas. 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>



## Dates for Diary

- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2026 – Year 5 Mosque Trip
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February - NSPCC Number Day
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Special Friends Day
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Last Day of Term
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – First Day of Term
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February – 2.40 pm - Year 4 Parent Workshop - Multiplication Table Check – Details to follow
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day – Details to follow
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March PGL (Y6) – Outstanding Amount due
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Parents' evenings – Details to follow
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> June - Year 6 Back2Bear and PGL Trip
- 15<sup>th</sup> June – 18<sup>th</sup> June Bikeability Year 5

