



Fortnightly Newsletter

'Growing Kind Hearts and Curious Minds'

Friday 21st November 2025

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our recent fundraising efforts for children in need. Thanks to your kindness and generosity, we raised an impressive **£468.16**. We are incredibly grateful for your continued support in helping us make a difference.

This week, we also enjoyed our first Christmas Craft Days with parents and carers in Year 1, 2 and 5. The sessions were filled with creativity, festive spirit, and a truly lovely atmosphere. It was wonderful to see families working together and sharing in the joy of the season.

Year Group	Day	Date	Time
Reception	Friday	28 th November	2pm – 3pm
Year 1	Friday	21 st November	1.30 pm – 2.15 pm
Year 2	Wednesday	19 th November	2pm – 3pm
Year 3	Thursday	27 th November	2pm – 3pm
Year 4	Tuesday	25 th November	2pm – 3pm
Year 5	Thursday	20 th November	2pm – 3pm
Year 6	Wednesday	26 th November	2pm – 3pm

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](#)



Crazy Hair Day - Wednesday 26th November

We will be holding a **Crazy Hair Day**, a fun way for the children to show off their most colourful, creative hairstyles! Instead of bringing money, we're asking families to bring in a **small donation of food** to support our local **Food Bank**. Your kindness and generosity make such a big difference to families in our community, especially at this time of year.



Holiday Activities and Food

An opportunity for your child to take part in **FREE** exciting activities and enjoy healthy meals over the holiday period.

Monday 22 December 2025 to Friday 2 January 2026
(excluding bank holidays).

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Book your place from Thursday 20th November.

Open to all school age children in receipt of benefit related Free School Meals.

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Christmas Tree Festival


Opening Times

Thursday 4 th December	LAUNCH NIGHT - TICKET ONLY
Friday 5 th December	10.30am – 6.00pm
Saturday 6 th December	10.30am – 6.00pm
Sunday 7 th December	11.30am – 3.30pm
Monday 8 th December	10.30am – 6.00pm
Tuesday 9 th December	10.30am – 6.00pm
Wednesday 10 th December	10.30am -1.00pm

St James's Church, Louth

5th December - 10th December 2025

Lots of sparkling trees and a visit from Santa on Saturday afternoon



Christmas Hamper Request Deadline - 30th November

We would like to support the families in our school community by offering some Christmas food hampers for over the festive season. If your family would benefit from one of our hampers, please click on the QR code by **30th November** to submit your request



Friday 5th Dec 2025 – Non-Uniform Day

To help make our Christmas Fayre on 12th December extra special, we are holding a non-uniform day! On this day, children are invited to come to school in casual clothes and bring in a donation to support the Fayre, such as: Chocolates for the tombola, raffle prizes etc. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Friday 12th Dec 2025 – Christmas Fayre.

Come and support our Christmas Fayre! Children will be selling their own arts and crafts from market stalls in the playground. Join us from 3:30pm to celebrate the festive season and enjoy the creativity of our pupils – we can't wait to see you there!



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 a.m., the gates close at 8.55 am, and if your child arrives after that time, they will be marked as late.

Help us to decorate our tree for the St James Church Christmas Tree Festival

Join our Christmas celebrations by creating small wreaths to hang on our tree. The wreaths could be of natural materials or decorative items. The wreaths symbolise unity and respect within our community.



Christmas Tree Festival

We are excited to be taking part in St James' Church Christmas Tree Festival again this year.

Please see the attached poster for how you can contribute to our school tree. The deadline for your decorations to arrive in school will be **Monday 1st December**.



**The deadline for
applying for you
child's school
reception place is:**

JANUARY

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Primary School Applications – September 2026 Intake

We would like to inform all parents, guardians, and carers of children born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022 that the closing date for applications for Primary School places to be received by the Lincolnshire County Council is 15th January 2026.

Further information can be found at: <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-admissions/apply-school/2>.

Parents will be informed via Lincolnshire County Council on 16th April 2026. If you experience any issues or require further support, please speak with the school office.

Dates for Diary

- Friday 21st November - Children in Need Choir evening at Methodist Church, Nichol Hill
- Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th November – Parent evenings for 5W pupils with Mr Stubbs
- Tuesday 25th November – 2.00 pm – Year 4 Christmas Craft Afternoon
- Wednesday 26th November – Wacky Wednesday Hairdo!
- Wednesday 26th November – 2.00 pm – Year 6 Christmas Craft Afternoon
- Thursday 27th November – 2.00 pm – Year 3 Christmas Craft Afternoon
- Friday 28th November – 2.00 pm - EYFS Christmas Craft Afternoon
- Monday 1st December – Deadline for Christmas Tree Festival Decorations
- Friday 5th December – Non-Uniform day – Christmas Fayre Donation Day
- Friday 5th December – Wednesday 10th December – Friends of St James – Christmas Tree Festival – St James' Church
- Wednesday 10th December - 2:30pm and 4:00pm – EYFS Nativity
- Friday 12th December – Christmas Jumper and Christmas Lunch date
- Friday 12th December - Outdoor Christmas Fayre - all invited from 3.30pm onwards
- Thursday 18th December – Christmas Carol Service at St James' Church – 10.00 am
- Friday 19th December – Last Day of Term