

# Newsletter 20.3.26

It's been lovely to see the sunshine this week, more summer days are coming! Thank you to everyone who was able to donate towards Red Nose Day today, so far you have raised nearly £200. The payment option will remain on Arbor over the weekend if you would like to donate still, just head to the Shop on Arbor

## **Arbor Parent Portal**

Whilst we in the office still have a few remaining weeks of taking reports from Parent Mail for meals, everything Parent wise should be completed on Arbor now, and you can completely delete any log in details, or saved Apps from Parent Mail, that you used for South View. **PLEASE DELETE PARENT MAIL**

All meals are bookable up till the end of the school year now, so please get them booked up, and note that the new deadline for meals is exactly a rolling week, so you have up to Monday Lunch time to book for the following Monday Lunch and so on. You will notice that in the meal name title it shows any allergens, please ensure you are booking meals suitable for your child/ren.

You may also notice that you no longer have to choose a dessert when ordering, the same favourite options will be available for children to select their preference each day. Fruit and Yoghurts will always be available, and all options available will adhere to the school food standards. To ensure no risk of foods containing allergens get into the wrong hands, each child with a diagnosed food intolerance/allergen will now be given a lanyard to wear in the lunch hall to ensure only suitable options are offered.

## **The Year 6 Prom tickets are now on sale!**

We hope that by releasing them early this will give everyone enough time to purchase a ticket for what will be a fantastic evening.

The evening is a celebration of our wonderful children as they hit the milestone of coming to the end of their time at South View.

The Prom will be held at South View on Saturday 4th July, 6.30pm till 9pm. The ticket price is £23 which includes food, drinks, a goody bag and some extra surprises on the night!

We ask that payment be made no later than Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April via the Arbor Shop.

If anyone would like to donate any extra over and above the ticket price this money would be used to make the evening more special. Furthermore if any parents know of anyone who would be willing to sponsor the Prom or donate services/products please contact us via the school email [enquiries@southview.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@southview.lincs.sch.uk)

## **Disco**

tickets can be purchased on Arbor These are on sale till Wednesday 25th March at 12 noon

(Tickets include a hot dog roll and a pack including a glow stick, packet of crisps and a sweets. Please see attached the dietary requirements information poster and email us at [friendsofsouthview@hotmail.com](mailto:friendsofsouthview@hotmail.com) if your child requires a dietary requirements pack. Please note FOSV do not have access to the school's allergy lists therefore you must let us know if your child needs the alternative pack or a vegan/vegetarian hot dog. Thank you!)

## **Elite Sports Academy - Easter HAF Camps**

We are delighted to be partnering with Lincolnshire County Council in delivering the council driven Holiday & Food Activity Programs this Easter in Crowland

All children who are eligible for income based free school meals in Lincolnshire should have received a voucher from their schools which allows you to sign up to our Easter program for FREE

- There has been a small change to the HAF Funded Hours. This will now be redeemable 10am - 2pm, however there is an opportunity to extend your day to 3pm at a small cost of £4. (If you would like to book on for the extra hour, please email us [Info@elitesportsacademy.co.uk](mailto:Info@elitesportsacademy.co.uk)

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April

Food Education / Arts & Crafts / Hot Meal Provided / Sports & Activities

Online Booking is open - Log on using your voucher & search our venues to book your space

Spaces available for the wider community and fee paying children 10am - 3pm at just £20 (If you are a family who does not receive a voucher, you can book onto any of these venues by emailing - [info@elitesportsacademy.co.uk](mailto:info@elitesportsacademy.co.uk)

## **More fundraising**

Ella in Year 4 is this weekend having her hair cut and donating all 12 inches of it, for the Little Princess Trust Charity. She is also raising funds for the charity as it costs £700 to make 1 wig. So far, she has raised £240!

Ella's family have set up a just giving page below if anyone would like to donate.

[https://www.justgiving.com/page/ella-hodgson-1?utm\\_medium=FR&utm\\_source=CL&utm\\_campaign=020](https://www.justgiving.com/page/ella-hodgson-1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=020)

### **Books for years 5 and 6**

We are currently looking for some more challenging books for our year 5 and 6 readers. If you have any of the following books/book series you are able to donate, or would be kind enough to buy to donate to our library, we would be incredibly grateful!

Individual Books	Book Sets
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/ydcyp8u3">https://tinyurl.com/ydcyp8u3</a> (£4.99)	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/6np8dz46">https://tinyurl.com/6np8dz46</a> (£16.14)
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/4bnc38ur">https://tinyurl.com/4bnc38ur</a> (£6.71)	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/ay8chcb3">https://tinyurl.com/ay8chcb3</a> (£16.99)
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/ye2ynbc4">https://tinyurl.com/ye2ynbc4</a> (£7.59)	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/mrmw2mtw">https://tinyurl.com/mrmw2mtw</a> (£17.90)
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/yc58fykd">https://tinyurl.com/yc58fykd</a> (£7.35)	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/5xjjpbwp">https://tinyurl.com/5xjjpbwp</a> (£18.99)
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/4kxxcstd">https://tinyurl.com/4kxxcstd</a> (£7.35)	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/6v5nn557">https://tinyurl.com/6v5nn557</a> (£19.99)
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/mrhe2fnh">https://tinyurl.com/mrhe2fnh</a> (£12.25)	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/ytup8t89">https://tinyurl.com/ytup8t89</a> (£22.95)
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/3sbdj7bu">https://tinyurl.com/3sbdj7bu</a> (£12.25)	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/mrea8yj8">https://tinyurl.com/mrea8yj8</a> (£24.99)
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/2mxyx5nn">https://tinyurl.com/2mxyx5nn</a> (£12.25)	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/yf5mf5rb6">https://tinyurl.com/yf5mf5rb6</a> (£25.17)
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/yf4da88d">https://tinyurl.com/yf4da88d</a> (£12.25)	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/yeynayab">https://tinyurl.com/yeynayab</a> (£32.99)
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/4jh5vy2k">https://tinyurl.com/4jh5vy2k</a> (£12.25)	



### **Volunteers**



We have received some offers of support from adults who would like to come in to school and help make a difference to our children's learning. We're working hard to place you all with the right children and find you somewhere comfortable where you can enjoy the reading experience together. We would very much appreciate even more offers of help, no matter how short a period of time you can donate. If you can spare a regular couple of hours each week to pop in and support with reading, that would be amazing! Please contact Mrs Tomlins via [enquiries@southview.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@southview.lincs.sch.uk)

### **Calendar of Events for Term 4**

20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> March- Book Fair in school

23<sup>rd</sup> March - Rock Steady Concert for parents (2.30pm) communication via Rock Steady

25<sup>th</sup> March - SEND Arts and Crafts session (Flyers in Main Office)

- Disco tickets, Sunflower Growing (extended) and Easter Egg Competition available till 12noon

26<sup>th</sup> March - Year 6 swimming

27<sup>th</sup> March - School disco's

2<sup>nd</sup> April - Year 3 & 4 Easter Production (Parents invited for 9am)

- Year 6 swimming

- LAST DAY OF TERM 4

7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> April - ELITE Sports Easter Sports Camp at South View School (Details to follow)

20<sup>th</sup> April - Staff Inset Day (Children back on 21<sup>st</sup>)

21<sup>st</sup> April - First Day of Term 5

**Term Dates are on our school website – please click [here](#)**

**Head Teacher Awards**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Childs Name</b>	<b>Awarded Reason</b>
Catkins	Farlie S-W	Farlie has been so confident this week - trying really hard to complete his writing and told us a wonderful story which he acted out with his friends.
Acorns	Victorija V	Victorija is engaging wonderfully in lessons. She is answering questions, giving everything her all. This has been noticed in writing, using new vocabulary and when looking after our classroom.
Hazels	Leo S	For his fantastic use of adjectives in his story. Keep up the hard work :-)
Maples	Theo A	For a great attitude to all learning this half term and really trying with his pre cursive handwriting.
Chestnuts	Igor W	For his creative and imaganative story about a visit to the mountains. It was so lovely to read Igor, keep it up!
Willows	Amarachi C	I have been so impressed with her confidence in maths and telling time this week! Well done!
Beeches	Cole W	For creating a beautiful, clear 'power smart' poster after our walk around to audit some energy wastage.
	Joseph G	For his contributions to our debate about cruises or travelling to Antarctica, particularly thinking about how we can make travel more sustainable.
	Tommy K	For working incredibly hard on his handwriting, making sure the reader can read all his work in every subject. Keep up the good work. Very proud. * : ) *
Aspens	Lily B	For always showing our school HEART values and always putting 100% effort into everything she does. We can always rely on Lily to the perfect role model to others in class. Well done Lily!
Poplars	Vinnie J	For a brilliant start at south View. An enthusiastic learner, who shares his ideas and has a fabulous attitude. Well done :)
Junipers	Sophia S	Sophia is a fantastic role model in the classroom and a pleasure to teach. She consistently produces exceptional work and her confidence is always growing - especially in English!
Laurels	Lily-Marie O	For being such a wonderful addition to our class, and her hard work on understanding percentages.
Elms	Daisy G-D	Daisy is an absolute pleasure to teach; she puts 100% into everything she does in every subject - well done Daisy! :-)
Oaks	Harley-James H	For his fantastic attitude to learning and for always giving his very best in every subject.
Redwoods	Amelia T	For her fantastic effort and progress across the curriculum, especially in Maths and English!

### Mental Health Padlet



**Children:** If you are worried about your child's mental health, and would like information or signposting to help, Miss Stanojevic has created a suite of resources for you to look through. We hope you find them helpful: <https://padlet.com/zoestanojevic/f9n5vfk8qytx6c3b>

**Adults:** Likewise, if you are struggling with your own mental health or are just looking for someone to talk to, please see our new Mental Health for Parents/Carers padlet which has a wealth of local and national charities that you can tap into for support: <https://padlet.com/corrinemitcham/mentalhealthparents>

### SEN Padlet

If you are worried about your child's additional needs and would like help, Mrs Mitcham and Mrs Henderson have created a suite of resources for you find them helpful: <https://padlet.com/corrinemitcham/SouthViewSENDSCO>



information or signposting to look through. We hope you

### Safeguarding Padlet



If you are worried about your safeguarding and would like information or signposting to help, Miss Turner and Miss Creasey have created a suite of resources for you to look through. We hope you find them helpful.

If you do see anything of concern in relation to a child, we ask that you make a telephone referral to Social Care by calling 01522 782111. This can be done anonymously. If you have a genuine concern about an adult in the local community, please telephone the police.

<https://padlet.com/nikitacreasey/safeguarding-guide-for-parents-carers-z16tu0bjogxihhd>

### School Leave of Absence Requests

- If you wish to seek approval for any request of absence for your child(ren) from school i.e. for a holiday, then you must apply either by;
- Requesting the school office send you a copy of the leave of absence form. This will be sent via ParentMail.
- Or you can apply:
- In writing, to Mrs Tomlins, the Head Teacher. In the letter you must state what you believe to be the exceptional circumstances requiring the leave of absence.

You should only then remove your child(ren) if the absence has been authorised, and notified to you in writing by the School.

If you then choose to take your child out of school during term time and it is **not** deemed to be exceptional circumstances and/or has not been approved by the School, then this will be coded as an unauthorised absence and a Penalty Notice may be issued for the period of absence. We are unable to authorise holidays during school terms. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in further legal action being taken against you.

We would like to remind all families of the legal framework surrounding term-time holidays and the issuing of penalty notices for unauthorised absences, in conjunction with advice from the Local Authority.

Please be aware that **there is no right of appeal** against a penalty notice once it has been issued. The decision to authorise or unauthorise an absence rests solely with the school. It is important to remember you should discuss any concerns you have with the school **before** a leave of absence is considered.

We understand that some employers may restrict when holidays can be taken, and that travel costs can vary significantly throughout the year. However, **neither of these factors constitutes an exceptional circumstance**, according to guidance from the Department for Education, [Working together to improve school attendance \(applies from 19 August 2024\)](#) and [Resources for families | Children's Commissioner for England](#) and therefore cannot be considered, as a valid reason for authorising term-time leave.

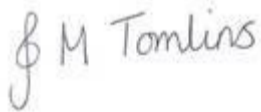
A Penalty Notice is a strategy used by schools to address the unacceptable levels of attendance of children in the term after they turn five at their school under the following legislation:

- Please note: A Penalty Notice can also be issued if your child is seen in a public place within the first 5 days of an exclusion from their school.
- Section 7 of the Education Act 1996 places upon parents a duty to ensure that their child receives efficient full-time education either by regular attendance at school or otherwise.
  - Where a child is a registered pupil at a school and the parent fails to ensure that child's regular attendance at school the parent is liable to be prosecuted for a criminal offence under Section 444 of the Education Act
  - In cases where this duty is not being fulfilled Section 444B of the same Act empowers the Local Authority to issue a penalty of either **£160 per parent, per child** if paid within 28 days or reduced to **£80 per parent, per child** if paid within 21 days.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in ensuring that your child's education remains a priority.

Please see attached additional information regarding Penalty Notices.

Yours sincerely,



Head Teacher  
Mrs Tomlins

# School Attendance and Absences



## 5 days of unauthorised absence

Penalty Notice fines may be issued for any term-time absences that are unauthorised (for example, a 5-day term time holiday) - whether these absences are taken consecutively or cumulatively over a rolling period of 10 school weeks.

## 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in any 10-week period

Penalty Notice fines will also be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in any rolling period of 10 school weeks

**A school day has 2 sessions:  
1 morning and 1 afternoon session per day**

An unauthorised absence threshold can be reached with any mix of missed sessions over 10 school weeks, even if those weeks span different terms or school years. These absences don't need to be consecutive and can include late arrivals after the register closes. A school week counts as long as there's at least one school session.

## How do I request an absence?

To request an absence, please provide a minimum of 4 weeks notice, either by:

- Requesting the school office send you a copy of the leave of absence form. This will be sent via ParentMail.

Or you can apply:

- In writing, to Mrs Tomlins, the Head Teacher. In the letter you must state what you believe to be the exceptional circumstances requiring the leave of absence. **We are unable to authorise holidays during term time.**

## What is a Penalty Notice?

A penalty notice is an out of court settlement which is intended to change behaviour without the need for criminal prosecution. If repeated penalty notices are being issued and they are not working to change behaviour they are unlikely to be most appropriate tool. Therefore, 2 penalty notices can be issued to the same parent in respect of the same child within a 3 year rolling period and any second notice within that period is charged at a higher rate. Any further offences will result in criminal prosecution.

## First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:

- £160 per parent, per child (if paid within 28 days)
- Reduced to: £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days

## Second Offence

### (in a 3-year rolling period)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:

- £160 per parent, per child (if paid within 28 days) There is no reduction in the amount.

## Third Offence or Any Further Offences

### (in a 3-year rolling period)

The third time an offence is committed for an unauthorised absence a Penalty Notice will **NOT** be issued but will be referred to Lincolnshire County Council for consideration of prosecution in a Magistrate Court for prosecution which may result in fines of up to £2,500 per parent, per child.

Cases found guilty in a Magistrate's Court can show on a parent's future DBS certificate due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education.'

Families are reminded that term-time holidays are subject to strict legal rules, and unauthorised absences may result in penalty notices with no right of appeal. Only the school can decide whether an absence is authorised, and factors like travel costs or employer restrictions do not qualify as exceptional circumstances. Please speak with the school before requesting leave, and thank you for prioritising your child's education.

Lincolnshire county Council have the discretion to issue Penalty Notice fines before the above threshold is met in cases where parents are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the threshold, or for repeated absences for birthdays or other family events.

If you have registered your child as unwell and we are later presented with evidence which casts reasonable doubt over the reason given for your child's absence, and they were in fact taken on holiday, the absence marks will be retrospectively be altered to 'unauthorised' in the register. If this absence meets the national framework, this will be reported to Lincolnshire County Council.

## Who is a "Parent"?

Section 576 of the Education Act 1996 defines "parent" as:

- All natural (biological) parents, whether they are married or not;
- Any person who, although not a natural parent, has parental responsibility for a child or young person;
- Any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child or young person.