

Bridge House News



A Regular Newsletter for Parents & Carers

Wednesday 27th March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy term! This newsletter seems to be bursting with all the many exciting events that have taken place. From the Primary School residential trip to World Book Day, with fantastic Wow days in between, there has been lots of amazing learning taking place on all three campuses.

The pastoral spaces at the primary school have had a thorough refurbishment over the course of the term and the young people are enjoying making use of both The Den and The Zone spaces.



We had a fantastic turn out at parents' evenings once again this term – we would like to thank everyone who attended, for their support.

I hope that you all manage to have a peaceful and relaxing Easter break - don't eat too much chocolate!

Staffing updates

I am really pleased to congratulate Holly Barrett on her promotion into the role of Deputy Head after the Easter break. Holly will be joining Jacky Gray in providing leadership and oversight of the school.

With this in mind, we will very shortly be recruiting a new Head of Primary School with a view to having a new head of school in post from September. In the meantime, Holly will continue to be based at, and to lead, the Primary campus.

Zoe Harding too, will be taking the next step in her career, assuming the role of Faculty Lead. Congratulations Zoe!

Sadly, we have a couple of farewells at the primary school at the end of this term. I am sure you will all join me in wishing both Sarah Featherstone, Christina Rose and Sarah Temperton all the very best as they embark on their new adventures.

As ever, along with good-byes, we will be saying a very warm welcome to James Wright as Head of Middle School and teachers Molly Clarke (primary) and Diogo Garcia (KS4 Science) after the holidays. I am also very pleased to say that Rob Pires, will be remaining with our team as a permanent member of staff.

School Transport

Parents are advised to log any difficulties with transport using the following link so that can then be followed up. We recommend that parents keep reporting when the taxi firms aren't keeping to the terms of the contract as it creates a record that can be referred to. This is better than ringing the council as these complaints are then looked into by the right department.

[Report a school transport incident | Your details – Lincolnshire County Council](#)

Dates for Your Diary

Please note the following dates for the months ahead:

- ❖ 16.04.24 – Start of Term 5
- ❖ 17.04.24 – GCSE Art Exam (Day 1)
- ❖ 18.04.24 – GCSE Art Exam (Day 2)
- ❖ 18.04.24 – WOW Day (All campuses)
- ❖ 10.05.24 – GCSE Biology Exam (Paper 1)
- ❖ 13.05.24 – GCSE English Literature Exam (Paper 1)
- ❖ 14.05.24 – Lincolnshire Show WOW Day
- ❖ 16.05.24 – GCSE Maths Exam (Paper 1)
- ❖ 17.05.24 – GCSE Geography (Paper 1)
- ❖ 20.05.24 – GCSE English Literature Exam (Paper 2)
- ❖ 23.05.24 – GCSE English Language Exam (Paper 1)
- ❖ 24.05.24 – End of Term 5

How has the past shaped the present?

The children completed an interactive tour of Stonehenge and learnt about the origins of the famous stone landmark. In the Aztec themed room, the children discovered more about the jewellery made and worn. As part of our Roman activity, the children learnt how the Romans made roads and why it was so important that they did. They then made models of the Roman roads using the correct layers. Our mighty Viking warriors prepared for battle and made their armour. During our medieval activity, pupils learnt about the key features of a medieval castle and used various recycled materials to create their own model castle. In our final time period our pupils created 3D models of Victorian townhouses as part of the Bridge House community.



World Book Day

At the primary campus, we spent World Book Day exploring the works of Emily Gravett, who is a well-known illustrator.

Catchwater class created their own bookmarks and themed book bunting whilst Bain explored 'The Odd Egg' and guessed what could be inside.

Inspired by the book 'Meerkat Mail', both Billingham and Barlings classes travelled around the world, designing their own magic carpet, and visiting a drive thru movie and a farm.



The children in Bourne read 'Old Hat' and discussed how the changing hats would make people feel before making our own new Old Hat! Brant created persuasive advertisements to advertise Pete's tidying business to help the characters in the book, 'Tidy'. We topped off the day with fish and chips for lunch in celebration of Emily Gravett's home town of Brighton.

Year 5 / 6 Residential

Our Year 5 / 6 children from Brant and Bourne spent an exciting couple of days in Stamford on this year's residential trip. Our first day was filled with team building, orienteering, tobogganing, and climbing activities at Tallington Lakes. Later, we stayed at The Garden House in Stamford and enjoyed an evening meal together before celebrating a few special birthdays. The following day, we explored the habitats at Burghley House and carried out a biodiversity investigation.

Our whole-school Enquiry Question for Term 4 is

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Contact Details

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