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TO: TO ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS

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Dear Parents/Guardians

EASTER NEWSLETTER

Stephen Flood RIP

We received the sad news that Steve Flood, who was St Hugh's headteacher prior to myself, has died. Steve was head for five years and was someone who brought a real presence. He was highly respected by everyone and had a calm manner that instilled confidence and trust. His experience and vision benefited staff, pupils, governors and parents alike. I will be attending his funeral in Lancashire during the holidays. Please keep his family in your prayers at this time.

As we approach Easter, we have plenty of good news to share.

Easter Play

Well done to the children from Years 3 and 4 for the wonderful performance of 'The Gospel Show.' This was a truly fitting way to prepare for Easter. There were memorable performances from all involved. Many congratulations to Mrs Cook, Mrs Kendall - Piperissa, Mr Ballard, Mr Gosling and Teaching Assistants for their excellent preparation. Under their guidance the children sang, spoke and danced for packed audiences.

Year 6 led a Stations of the Cross Assembly on the last day of term to complete our Easter preparations in school with Fr Eddy in attendance.

Parish Links

This term Mrs Pallister's class visited St Hugh's church to celebrate the Feast of St Joseph with the parishioners. After mass, the children were shown around the church by Deacon Kevin.

Miss Webster and the Year 5 children visited Fr Eddy and Deacon Kevin at St Hugh's to take part in the sacrament of Confession during the Lenten season.

On Easter Sunday Mrs Pallister and a pupil from St Hugh's in Year 5, along with two pupils from St Peter and St Paul's School and a number of adult helpers will be travelling to Lourdes with HCPT. We wish them a happy and holy visit.

World book day

The Children enjoyed "tasting" many new books in our Book Bistros. They also took part in the annual 'design a book token' competition and KS2 enjoyed an inspirational visit from Mr Keenan who told us all about his time as a football coach in Cambodia and shared the book he wrote about experience. The whole school gathered together to finish the day with story time with myself. Thank you for all your support in helping to make the day a success. Please continue to encourage your child with their love of reading. We had some great entries for our World Book Day mask competition. Our final winners were Alex, Emilia S, Isabella and Emilia W.

Sport

The Netball team got off to a winning start in their opening game of the season against Ling Moor followed by a defeat against Branston. We played an A and B team in both games. Well done to all the children involved. There will be a number of games next term.

Year 2 and Year 3 have been enjoying gymnastics with Premier education teachers.

Mr Ballard's class took part in a cricket tournament and year 3 took part in a multi skills tournament at North Kesteven with one of our teams achieving runners up.

Children from Year 5 finished the term by enjoying participating in a Dodgeball tournament.

Mothers' Day

Well done to the Infants and teaching staff for their excellent Mother's Day Assembly. The children sang and read clearly and also showed off their impressive Artwork. The children gave their Mum's a daffodil and a special card to mark the occasion at the end of the week.

Lincoln Music and Drama Festival

We have had an extremely enjoyable and successful time at the prestigious Music and drama festival held at the Methodist Church in town. Many congratulations to the Drummers who won their class with their performance of 'Samba Funk.'

Well done to the Infant choir who achieved third place in their section. They sang The Beatles, 'Here comes the Sun' and 'The Coconut song' by Nillson.

Equally well done to the Junior choir who performed in front of a packed audience. They sang 'Supercalifragilistic' by Sherman and 'Tears in Heaven' by Eric Clapton. Once again they received the highest marks, winning in a section that showcased a very high standard. They were asked back to perform on the final winner's night to close the Festival. Many thanks to all those parents and friends of the school who supported the performers. It is an incredible achievement to win two of the three classes. Congratulations go to Mrs Garcia and Mr Ballard for all their hard work and preparation.

Nearly fifty children entered speaking and instrumental classes achieving very good marks and placing too. Some of the successes included first place to: Abdullah, Abdurahman and Lydia. Second place to: Ivy, Isaac and Fillipe and third place to: Yasmine, Ella, Maeve, Evie and Anika. Thanks to Mrs Hargrave-Nanton for her hard work and preparation. Lydia was also asked to return to perform her poem on the final evening.

Easter bonnet Competition

A huge thank you to the Birchwood Co-op who donated prizes to our Easter raffle. Well done to Toni from year 6 wrote a letter asking them to support our raffle.

The Mini Vinnies raffle was a success and raised money for Shepherd Food Ministries and CAFOD Israeli/Palestine appeal.

Well done to Nelly and Eliana who decided to make their own bracelets to sell in order to raise money for Shepherd Food Ministries.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Lincoln Food Bank. We received a heartfelt thank you from Arise Church that acts as a distribution Centre. Please continue to send your items to help local families, it is much appreciated.

Mad Hair Day

The PTFA charity day was a great success. We raised £150 which will go towards school projects.

Outdoor Forest School garden

We have begun work on creating a Forest School Garden in the school grounds as part of our Wellbeing curriculum. In the holiday we will be creating a space where the planters currently reside. Eventually there will be a picket fence with a seated area and a fire pit together with new planting areas. We hope to complete this exciting project before the end of the summer term.

Finally

I wish everyone a very happy break for the Easter period. I look forward to seeing all the children when school reopens on **Monday 15th April**. Please see the Church websites for Easter Mass times and also check out the school website to re-visit this bulletin and other school information.

Yours sincerely

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