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TO: TO ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS

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Dear Parents/Guardians

EASTER 2025 NEWSLETTER

We have enjoyed a very busy and action packed term. 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 'Easter Children.' Once again the whole production was a great success and a fitting way to prepare for the Easter Week. There were memorable performances from all involved. Thank you to the large audiences who came to see the play. Many congratulations to Mrs Cook, Mrs Kendall-Piperissa, Mr Ballard and Mr Gosling's classes. Under their teachers and teaching assistants guidance the children sang, spoke and danced to packed audiences.

SCHOOL MASSES AND LITURGIES

This last term we celebrated Ash Wednesday to mark the start of Lent. The Chaplaincy Team helped to distribute ashes which was celebrated by Fr Eddy.

Year 6 led a Stations of the Cross Liturgy at the end of term to complete our Easter preparations in school.

We continue to attend St Hugh's Church for morning Mass at 10am on Fridays. The older children have remained for the Stations of the Cross liturgy allowing them to reflect on the Passion of Christ as they enter the season of Lent. Deacon Kevin is visiting every month for Adoration.

School Charity Work

The PTA recently held a Mad Hair day which raised the impressive sum of £179.47. We had some wonderfully creative styles and raised a brilliant £179.47 for Macmillan Cancer Support. Thank you for your support. The PTA have been busy and bought prizes for the Easter Bonnet competition. There were runners up and winners' prizes for every class. Well done to all the children who took time to decorate and create some amazing bonnets. The School Council held a 'Design an Easter egg' competition and again all classes received prizes.

This Lent, we raised funds for CAFOD to support the Glitter group in Kenya, a community affected by drought. The money raised will help purchase crops and livestock, enabling the group to rebuild their livelihoods. We have raised £450 for the Lent Appeal. This is enough

to buy 90 chickens for the community! Mrs Boyns has been helping our efforts by selling crocheted glitter chickens! We are especially proud of Noah in Year 1, who started fundraising by creating and selling artwork. With the support of his parents, grandparents, friends, and family, he has raised an incredible £49 – enough to buy ten chickens for the Glitter group!

Mrs. Foster from Let Them Eat Cake visited the Upper Juniors to talk about her work with the homeless in Lincoln. The dedication and compassion shown by the volunteers involved is truly inspiring, exemplifying real discipleship. Both the children and staff were deeply moved by the stories she shared, and it is clear how much of a difference the charity makes in the lives of many. We were delighted to present Mrs. Foster with a cheque for £249, and we hope this contribution will support the provision of resources for the night café or go towards meals and food supplies.

We held a Well-being Champion Logo Competition and received some great designs. Our runners up were Sara, Evania, Morgan and Victoria. The winner of the competition was Mary in Y6. Mary created a beautiful swan design in the shape of a heart that we shall be using to represent the Well-being Champions.

All classes have made Jubilee Pledges with ideas such as being Eco friendly and donating items to the Community Larder to support families and individuals in need. During this time of Lent we have focused on Almsgiving and ways to help others.

Buddy Benches

The Well-being Champions have worked alongside the PTA to raise money for buddy benches which are now situated on the playground. We hope the children will enjoy and benefit from these at break times.

Football

The A team have resumed their season now that the lighter nights are with us. The team played well in a local group of matches and narrowly lost against Saxilby and St Lawrence Primary Schools. However they finished the tournament with two hard fought 1.0 victory against Birchwood Junior School. Well done.

Netball

The Netball league has started and the team played a couple of friendly and league games playing well. The season continues in the new term.

Mother's Day Assembly

Well done to the Infants and teaching staff for their excellent Mother's Day Assembly. The children danced, 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.

Theatre Productions

The whole school thoroughly enjoyed the production of 'Jungle Book' by the Image Theatre Company. The children were very much involved in a stimulating and entertaining afternoon of drama.

Year 5 visited the Priory Witham Academy to see their excellent performance of 'The Genie's Tale.'

Performance Poetry

Last week, the children from Key stage 1 performed a poem for the whole school. Each memorised piece was really entertaining and there was some amazing acting and drama on show.

World book day

We had a great response to the World Book Day competition and it was lovely to showcase the arts and crafts skills of our children. There were some really imaginative costumes and there were fantastic entries for the wooden spoon competition.

We kicked off our World Book Day celebrations with a visit from the fantastic children's author, Luke Temple. The children listened to him telling them all about some of the books he has written. He led two fun-filled, energetic workshops for both key stages and really inspired the children.

Finally

I would like to wish Mr Adrian Jones, the head teacher of Leslie Manser a very happy retirement and future. Adrian has worked for over 20 years in the area and supported the local schools with enthusiasm and dedication.

I wish everyone a very happy break for the Easter period. I look forward to seeing all the children when school reopens on **Tuesday 22nd 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.

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Yours sincerely

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