

Dear Families,

We welcomed Eden, a young, future British athlete, to school last Tuesday. She shared her story of hard work, endurance, perseverance, tears, fears and achievements with the children. She was truly inspiring and the children listened in awe and wonder at her training programme and strict health regime.

It was a wonderful moment and made me realise how vital it is to bring the world to our children. We live in a hidden treasure of a county, but it is a little limited in the opportunities available to families and children in the larger towns and cities. It is so important to give them an insight into the people and places beyond our beautiful villages so that they can begin to aspire and plan for their own dreams, adventures and goals.

Our half term holiday is one of those opportunities when you can get out and about as a family - Ms Wickland and Mrs Roberts are going to visit the Moon (in Scunthorpe) and I am off to meet the Vikings in York!

Whatever you plan to do over the next week, have a fabulous time; enjoy the sunshine at last and the chance to meet up with family and friends.

See you in June - all our Covid-secure arrangements will continue in school until the Department for Education tells us differently!

Have fun! Mrs Belton x

# **Eden Francis' visit to school**

Hopefully, all the children came home excited at having met Eden, the Sports Champion, who came into school on Tuesday. This had been planned for last year but due to COVID-19 had to be cancelled. Through the children's sponsorship money they raised £160 towards new sports equipment for school, so a big thank you to you all for this. Here are a few photographs from the day:







## Positive cases of COVID-19

If your child tests positive between 28th May and 30th May please can you notify Mrs Belton on <u>sue.belton@st-helenascofe.lincs.sch.uk</u> so that families of children who will need to isolate can be informed.

Thank you.

## Pottery birds made by the children

The pottery birds which the children made last year will be on display at Alford Craft Market this Bank Holiday Weekend. If your child would like to collect their birds they can do so on Monday afternoon.



#### **Reading Shack**

Thank you to the following local businesses for kindly donating towards the 'Reading Shacks': Bays Café, Alford Pell Plant Hire NV & RN Lowes Builders

a big THANK YOU!

### Sunnyside Garden

There are lots of jobs to do in the garden at the moment, especially with all the rain and slightly warmer weather. The plants are growing quickly as well as the grass and the weeds. We have to cut the grass every week but leave some areas so that the wild flowers can grow. There are lots of weeds to remove and still seeds to sow and small plants to put out in the garden. I have set myself a challenge to plant all my little plants outside before you come back to school.

I have just walked round the garden to see what is growing. The strawberry plants have more flowers this week, so I am looking forward to eating strawberries in about 4 weeks. The courgette and butternut squash plants are still in the greenhouse but large enough to go outside now. I have planted up 3 hanging baskets which are getting established in the greenhouse. They will go outside when the rain stops and the sun shines.

There is still time for you to plant some seeds during your holiday. Butternut squash, courgettes, french beans, runner beans, carrots, beetroot can all be planted outside now. I hope you enjoy being outside in the fresh air during your holiday and perhaps you may do some gardening. See if any of the adults in your home would like some help. Have a lovely holiday week.







# St Helena's Amazing Footballers!



Year 4 went to Skegness Grammar School to play football last night. The 2 teams came first and second! Well done!

Diary Dates 2021	
JUNE	
7th	School open—Term 6
7th-25th	Year 1 Phonics screening
14th	Mr Felton visiting Y6 transitioning to QEGS, Alford
17th-18th	Year 6 Residential at Rand Farm
21st-25th	Assessment Week
29th	Sports Afternoon at Alford Cricket Club, Well.
JULY	
1st	QEGS, Alford Y6 transition day
1st	Little Explorers' Sports Afternoon.
8th	Rhubarb Theatre performance to the whole school
12†h	Bannovallum School Y6 transition day
15th	10am-12pm Teddy Bears' picnic for new Reception children
	10:30am-11:30am New Little Explorers' introduction.
	5pm New Reception children Parents' meeting
19†h	3pm Open Evening—come and collect your child's report.
20th	6pm Year 6 Prom
21st	2pm Y6 Leavers' Assembly
21st	End of term
22nd	Staff Training Day
SEPTEMBER	
2nd	Staff Training Day
3rd	Staff Training Day
6th	School Opens—Term 1
OCTOBER	
18th-20th	Year 6 Residential at Caythorpe
21st	End of Term 1.

2021 / 2022 Caythorpe Residential for Year 4, 5 and 6 Monday 18th - Wednesday 20th October. Letters will be sent out next term.

Year 2 reading club will now be on a Monday, starting on Monday 7th June. Places are still available.

Congratulations to Alana Boxall who is the new Parent Governor.



If your child is late to school please bring them to the office. Thank you.