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## Wanted

Do you have any of these you are thinking of throwing?

If so, the school would really appreciate you donating them.

1. Any unwanted Lego
2. Any unwanted Duplo
3. Any unwanted Toys
4. Boxes of tissues

Thank you!!

## The Education Hub

The Education Hub is a site for parents and pupils that captures all you need to know about the education system. You'll find accessible, straightforward information on popular topics, Q&As, interviews, case studies, and Top tips on how to keep your child healthy at school, including:  
 Making sure your child is up to date with their vaccinations  
 Reminding your child of basic hygiene measures  
 Knowing when your child is too ill for school  
 Should I be worried about Mpox?  
 ...and more. Please see:  
<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2024/10/30/top-tips-how-child-healthy-school/>

## Arriving Late

As part of this new system, the gate will be closed promptly at 8.50am each day.

For the safety and security of our pupils, we kindly remind you that any children arriving after this time must be accompanied to the gate by a parent or guardian. Once at the gate, please call for access into the school. The parent will also need to sign the child into the register within the school office with the reason for being late.

Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring the smooth operation of our new gate system. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

## Important Information Regarding Allergens

Here is the latest update from the FSA (Food Standards Agency) regarding the recent incident of mustard powder contaminated with peanut. The source has been identified in India and a list of products affected is included in this link:  
<https://www.food.gov.uk/news-alerts/news/urgent-allergy-advice-mustard-ingredients-contaminated-with-peanuts>

Lincolnshire Food Education Team

## Next PTA Meeting

The next PTA Meeting takes place on Friday 8th November 2024 at 14:00 in school. We will be discussing The Winter Fayre, and other Christmas events. Please, please come along to support your school. Thank you.

## Assessment Time

SATs week for Key Stage 2 is nationally arranged for the week beginning 12th May 2025. All Year 6 children will be participating in the tests.

Year Two SATs testing will take place throughout May, and therefore children need to be in school during this time.

Year One Phonics Screening will be taking place during the week commencing 9th June 2025 and is a Government requirement.

Year 4 Multiplication Test will be taking place during the 2-week period from Tuesday 3 June 2025 to Friday 13th June 2025.

Therefore, please ensure your child is in school during this period. Absences during this time will be classified as unauthorised.

## Road Safety

A reminder to please take care driving in and around the school area.

Please remember there is a 5mph speed limit on the drive.

Parking in and around school is often congested at drop off and collection times, as are most schools around England. I ask all parents that you always consider where you park when dropping off and collecting your children. Yes, you may think you are parked sensibly and your car is not in the way or 'not harming anyone' where it is, but can children cross safely where you have parked? Will your car make it difficult for other cars to get past? Please spare a thought for all the local residents living around the school perimeter, especially in Cherry Tree Crescent, Baghdad Road, Delhi Square and the Costcutter car park.

Please can we show full consideration and ensure we do not park on, or obstruct any driveways or paths. School are aware of Lincolnshire Police's visits to these areas and are warning parents they are issuing tickets where appropriate. Many thanks for helping to respect our neighbours.

## Exit on the Left

The one-way system in the morning is continuing to work really well with parents dropping their children off. Please make sure your child leaves their car via the passenger side of the car to avoid any accidents.

## Disabled Parking Considerations

We have limited disabled parking on the school premises, and we do have families who require these.

We are unable to enforce this but please be considerate and keep these spaces free for those that require them.

To avoid any misunderstanding when using the disabled bays please display your Blue Badge.

We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

## Term Dates

### Academic Year 2024-25

Term 2 : ends — Thurs 19th Dec 2024

Term 3 : Mon 6th Jan — Fri 14th Feb 2025

Term 4 : Mon 24th Feb — Fri 4th April 2025

Term 5 : Tue 22nd April — Fri 23rd May 2025

Term 6 : Tue 3rd June — Tue 22nd July 2025

### Academic Year 2025-26

Term 1 : Thur 4th Sept — Thur 23rd October 2025

Term 2 : Mon 3rd Nov — Fri 19th Dec 2025

Term 3 : Tue 6th Jan — Fri 13th Feb 2026

Term 4 : Mon 23rd Feb — Thurs 2nd April 2026

Term 5 : Tue 21st April — Fri 22nd May 2026

Term 6 : Mon 1st June — Wed 22nd July 2026

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## Cranwell Primary School

*Is your child starting school in September 2025?*

Open days are now available to show you around our school.

To book a visit,  
please email [enquiries@cranwell.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@cranwell.lincs.sch.uk)  
or call 01400 659001



Friday 8th November 2024 09:30  
Friday 15th November 2024 13:30

The Headteacher, staff and school governors will be available to answer any of your questions.

[www.cranwell.lincs.sch.uk](http://www.cranwell.lincs.sch.uk)

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# Christmas Events

Here are some of the Christmas events we have planned for your diary. More to follow.

## Winter Fayre

Preparations for our Winter Fayre are well underway. The date is Thursday 28th November 2024 between 15:30 and 17:00.

If you wish to book a stall, please contact Mrs Dominique Thorpe, our PTA Chair at [cranwellpta@gmail.com](mailto:cranwellpta@gmail.com).

## Tombola Collection

A Non-uniform Day will take place on Thursday 14th November 2024, to help collect items for our PTA Tombola for the Winter Fayre.

Please bring along a donation for the tombola. Your continued support is much appreciated.

## Christmas Jumper Day

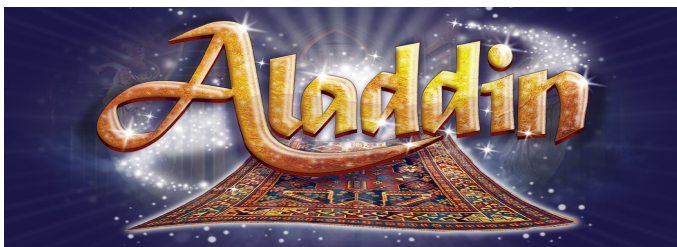
On Friday 6th December, We would like to invite your child to take part in celebrating the beginning of Advent. Please send your child to school in a Christmas Jumper (normal school trousers/skirt). There is no charge or donation required for this event.



## Pantomime

This year, the whole school will be travelling to Newark Theatre to watch Aladdin on Tuesday 10th December 2024.

The School PTA have kindly donated towards the cost of the trip bringing the price down considerably. Information has already been sent out via Parentmail.



## Foundation Stage & Infant Production

The Foundation Stage and infants will be performing their Christmas story through their Nativity on Friday 13th December 2024. There will be a morning production at 09:45 and one in the afternoon at 14:15.

More details and how to book tickets to follow.

## Festival of Carols

On Tuesday 17th December 2024, classes 5/6H, 5/6B, 5B, 4P, 4R, and 3A will be celebrating the Christmas story together.

Services will begin at 09:45 & 14:00 in the School hall, and we welcome parents to join us, for the occasion.

Information regarding Ticket ordering will follow soon.

## I want Technology for Christmas

**Asked Santa for a computer? Games console?**

**Have you set up the correct restrictions for your child's age group?**

**Remember to chat with your children on an ongoing basis about staying safe online.**

**Not sure where to begin? These conversation starter suggestions can help.**

Ask your children to tell you about the sites they like to visit and what they enjoy doing online.

Ask them about how they stay safe online. What tips do they have for you, and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share?

Ask them if they know where to go for help, where to find the safety advice, privacy settings and how to report or block on the services they use.

Encourage them to help someone! Perhaps they can show you how to do something better online or they might have a friend who would benefit from their help and support.

Think about how you each use the internet. What more could you do to use the internet together? Are there activities that you could enjoy as a family?

**Websites that can help you understand how to keep your child safe:**

<http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxMnZ02Si1Abtlh-qm3rrVQ>

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## Late

Please can parents ensure that their children arrive at school before 8:50am.

The gates close at this time, and any child arriving after this point is late. Parents have a legal duty to ensure their child attends school on time. Lateness may result in you being served with a Penalty Notice or a summons to court. Parents have a duty to ensure their child's regular attendance at school and failure to do so is an offence under Section 444(1) of the Education Act 1996.

Lateness has a negative impact on everybody at school.

Being late can:

Disrupt lessons - It is unfair on the teachers and other children in the class if another child enters the classroom once lessons have started.

Affect the achievement your child and others

Embarrass/upset your child when the class have already started their work

Being late adds up to loss of learning:

5 minutes late every day adds up to 3 days lost each year,

10 minutes adds up to 6 days lost each year,

15 minutes adds up to 10 days lost each year,

20 minutes adds up to 13 days lost each year,

30 minutes adds up to 19 days lost each year.

Being on time means not missing out!

Remember ... the School gates are open from 8:40am.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

## The Importance of Reading

It is important that children experience a broad curriculum. Learning about our World, the people within it and its climate are important. Keeping fit and healthy is vital for the children to reach their potential. Maths, writing and spelling are just as important in the casserole of learning a child needs. A child's reading skills, however, underpin their success in school in all subjects, as they will allow them to access the breadth of the curriculum and improve their communication and language skills. Reading opens more doors to new worlds for our children.

## What difference can I make as a parent?

You can make a huge difference! Parents are just as important as teachers. Reading to your children and listening to them read is so important for their development.

## How to encourage your child to read?

Here are some websites with great ideas to encourage your children to read:

<https://www.readingrockets.org/article/encouraging-your-child-read>

<https://www.english.com/blog/motivate-children-reading-five-fun-activities/>

## Helpers greatly appreciated...

Do you have free time during the school day? Could you help listen to reading at our school? Or could you help in an administrative way by adding the books we already have onto our school library electronic system? If so. Please contact the school office. Thank you.

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## 'What's in my lunchbox?'

Lincolnshire  
COUNTY COUNCIL  
*Working for a better future*

A competition run by Lincolnshire County Council's Food Education Team



### What's so important about lunch?

You use up a lot of energy working and playing hard at school, so a balanced, nutritious and tasty lunch is very important. Hot school dinners are made to guidelines called the 'School Food Standards' but did you know that only 1.6% of UK packed lunches meet the same standards!

### Competition details

We would love for you to enter your lunchbox idea and win the chance for your entry to be sent out to schools as part of our packed lunch guidance. The first prize winner will also get an activity goody bag which has been donated by HAF (Holiday Activities & Food Programme)

To enter, please **draw or take a photograph of your lunchbox entry** and send it to [FoodEducation@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:FoodEducation@lincolnshire.gov.uk) by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Remember to include your name, age and school.

### Rules for your lunchbox

All lunchboxes must include the following:

At least one **starchy** food, such as bread, potato, rice, pasta, couscous.

Starchy foods give energy, fibre, vitamins and minerals – wholegrain is best!

Add some **protein** for example meat, fish, eggs, beans or pulses. Protein foods build muscles and provide minerals

Put in some **dairy**. This provides calcium necessary for strong bones and teeth as well as giving protein and vitamins

Don't forget to include **fruit and vegetables**. You can use fresh, frozen, tinned or dried. Fruits and vegetables are full of vitamins, minerals and fibre necessary for your body to function properly and to keep you strong and healthy.

A snack food may be included but aim to make healthier choices. Try making swaps to bring down the fat, sugar and salt. For example, you could replace cake with some malt loaf or crisps with rice cakes.

**All schools are required to provide fresh, free drinking water so no need to include a drink!**

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# Change their world...

We have 67 babies and children awaiting adoption...

If you would like to start or grow your family through adoption, we'd love to help.  
Take the first step by booking on to our 'You Can Adopt Information Event'...

Thursday, 17th October at 12.30pm  
Wednesday, 6th November at 6.30pm  
Thursday, 19th November at 12.30pm  
Wednesday 4th December at 6.30pm

Book your place here,  
[familyadoptionlinks.org.uk](http://familyadoptionlinks.org.uk)



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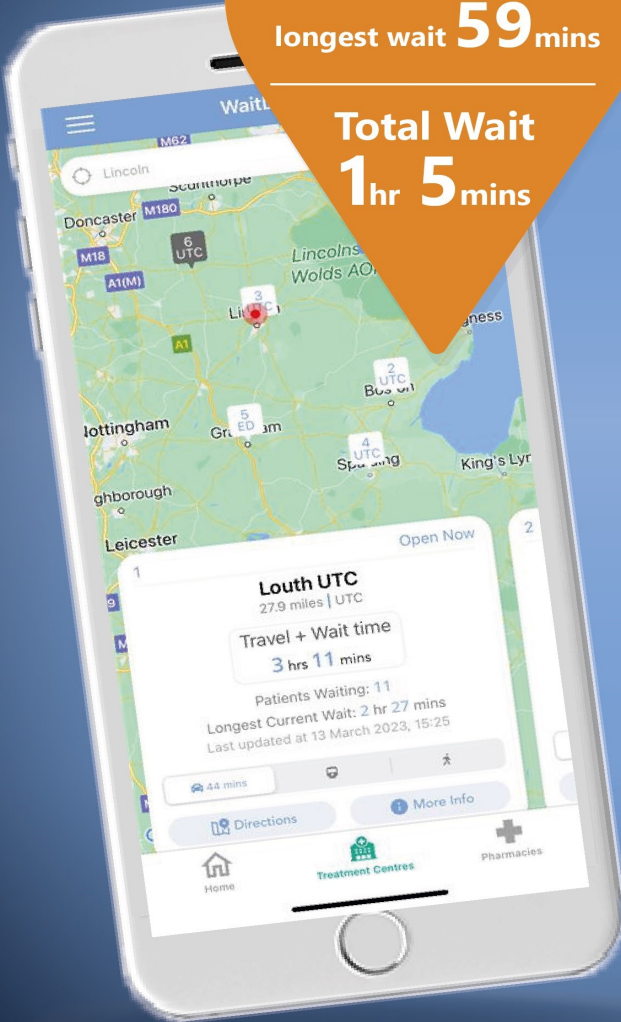
**WAITLESS**



**Avoid long wait times  
when you need  
urgent care**

**16** mins travel  
**11** patients waiting  
longest wait **59** mins

**Total Wait  
1 hr 5 mins**



# WaitLess

The WaitLess app combines travel, waiting and treatment times at all urgent care facilities across Lincolnshire, empowering patients to make informed decisions on the most appropriate setting to receive care.

The app also displays a full list of services available at each site, as well as parking and opening time information.

Don't wait.  
Download **WaitLess** now.



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## Your guide to health services in Lincolnshire



### Self Care

Treat aches, pains, coughs, and colds at home. Stock up your medicine cabinet with over the counter remedies.



### Pharmacy

Visit your local pharmacy for advice on minor injuries, allergies, constipation, headaches, cold and flu symptoms, and earache.



### Your GP Practice

Contact your GP practice about symptoms that aren't going away. They can offer you an appointment or signpost you to other services.



### NHS 111

If you have an urgent health need but are not sure what to do, think NHS 111. Call 111 or visit 111.nhs.uk. Available 24/7.



### WaitLess

Download the WaitLess app to view live waiting times, queue numbers and travel-time information for our urgent care facilities.



### Urgent Treatment Centre

Seek help for sprains, fractures, minor burns, and skin infections. Simply walk in or book an appointment via NHS 111.



### Dental Treatment

For urgent dental care please contact your normal dental practice, or for advice out of hours call NHS 111.



### Mental Health Crisis

If you are worried about your mental health, call 0800 001 4331 (adults) or 0800 234 6342 (children and young people). Available 24/7.

In a medical emergency call 999. This is when someone is seriously ill or injured and their life is at risk.

**For more information visit [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk)**

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## Your Guide to Health Services While Away From Home



### BE PREPARED

Treat aches and pains, coughs and colds at home.  
Stock up your medicine cabinet including pain killers, antihistamines, anti-diarrhoea and indigestion medicine.  
Order repeat prescriptions in plenty of time.  
Keep all medication, plasters, bandages and thermometers away from children.



### PHARMACY

Pharmacies offer health advice and treatment for allergies, constipation, cold and flu symptoms, earache, fever, thrush and healthy lifestyles.  
A visit to the pharmacy could save you a trip to the GP.  
If you forget your medication while away from home call your usual registered GP surgery during opening hours and they can arrange for a prescription to be sent electronically to a pharmacy local to where you are staying.



### VISIT NHS 111 ONLINE OR CALL NHS 111

Need health advice?  
Unsure which health service you need?  
Visit NHS 111 online or call NHS 111 – both are available 24 hours, seven days a week. Calls are free from mobiles and landlines.  
Typetalk number is 18001.



### MINOR ILLNESS OR INJURIES

For treatment of burns, cuts, wounds or infections contact NHS 111 for the nearest Urgent Treatment Centre where an appointment can be made for you if necessary or they can provide you with advice and guidance by phone or video consultation.



### GP

If you take ill while away from home contact your registered practice in the first instance where you can be offered a telephone or video consultation.  
If your practice or NHS 111 say it is necessary to be seen at a GP Practice you can register for up to 14 days while away from home or work.  
Your temporary GP will pass any details of treatment you have to your own GP.  
If you are staying for a longer period of time you should still ring your usual registered practice in the first instance and receive telephone or video consultation as a first step.



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# Childrens **CRAFT** **SESSIONS**

WITH SARAH MEARS SAGOO

Call Sarah On 07593608998 or email at smearss@me.com

## 6 WEEKS OF FUN CRAFTS

- Badge Making &
- Wooden Hedgehog Crafts
- Finger Painting Poppy Coasters
- Making Clay Animals
- Creating Decoupache Santa Mince Pie Plates
- Making Christmas Clay Decorations
- Decorating Christmas Baubles



The Hive Cranwell  
 £5 per session  
 Thursdays 3:30-4:30pm  
 Starting 7th November



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# ADULT *Craft Sessions*

WITH SARAH MEARS SAGOO

Call Sarah on 07593 608998 or email on [smearss@me.com](mailto:smearss@me.com)

## 6 WEEKS OF CRAFTS

Clay Leaf bowls

Christmas Wreaths

Decoupache Plates

Making Clay Garlands

Painting and Decorating Garlands

Glass Painting Baubles



THE HIVE CRANWELL  
STARTS 7TH NOVEMBER  
THURSDAYS 6.30 - 8.00pm

 **FIND US ON  
FACEBOOK**

£12 per session 6 x 12 = £72  
Pay for a 6 session block £65

  
**Craftopia**

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