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Parent Newsletter

| The Bluecoat School |

Be Responsible - Be Independent - Be Resilient



Despite the weather, it certainly hasn't stopped us from having another fantastic and very busy week here at The Bluecoat School. The school has been full of energy, enthusiasm and purposeful learning, with children making the most of every opportunity both in and out of the classroom.

Across the school, pupils have been working hard, showing curiosity, resilience and a real love of learning. It has been wonderful to see them supporting one another, taking pride in their achievements and approaching new challenges with such positive attitudes.

We are extremely proud of every single child for their efforts this week. Their enthusiasm, kindness and willingness to give their best each day continues to make our school such a special place to be. Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support

Make sure to follow us on Facebook to keep up with all the latest happenings!



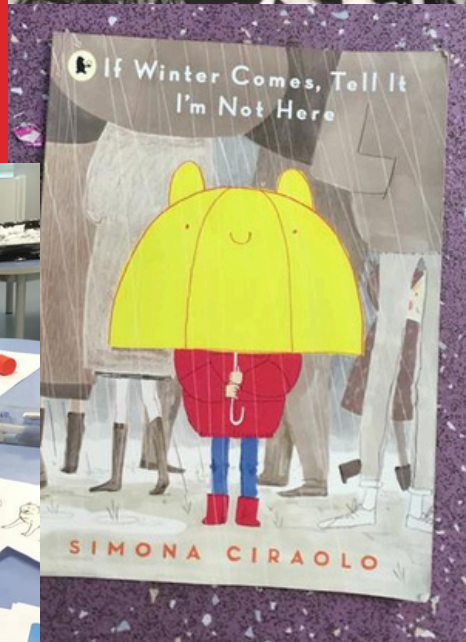


Nursery Learning

This week in Nursery, the children have been enjoying the beautiful story *If Winter Comes, Tell It I'm Not Here*. The book sparked lots of lovely conversations about the seasons, winter weather, and how different animals and people prepare for colder days.

Through the story, the children explored new vocabulary, shared their own experiences of winter, and took part in creative activities inspired by the book, including role play, artwork, and sensory play. It's been wonderful to see their imagination, curiosity, and language skills grow as they engaged with the story together.

You might enjoy talking about winter at home too—looking out for signs of the season or sharing favourite cosy activities!

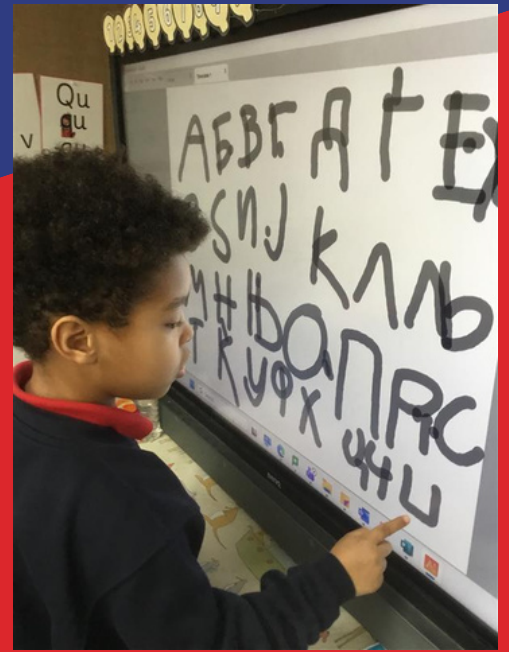




Reception Learning.

This week in Reception, the children have been enjoying the story *Lost and Found* by Oliver Jeffers. We have been talking about friendship, kindness and helping others, and the children have shared their ideas about how the boy and the penguin felt throughout the story.

The children have taken part in role-play, drawing and writing activities inspired by the book, including thinking about different journeys and ways to help a friend. We have also been practising retelling the story using pictures and key vocabulary. In PE, the children had great fun taking part in wheelchair sports. They enjoyed exploring different ways of moving and working together, while developing their confidence and teamwork skills. It was lovely to see everyone joining in and having so much fun.





Year 3/4 Learning.

Year 3/4 have had a super busy and exciting week. As part of their learning, they visited Stamford Library where they took part in a workshop all about Ancient Egypt. The children learned fascinating facts about Egyptian life, including gods, pharaohs and daily life, and had the opportunity to ask questions and explore historical artefacts. The visit helped to bring their classroom learning to life and inspired lots of curiosity and enthusiasm. Back in school, the children also explored art inspired by Henri Matisse and Romare Bearden. They developed their cutting skills and practised 'drawing with scissors' to create bold and imaginative collage artwork. The children showed great creativity, focus and enthusiasm throughout the week and represented the school brilliantly.





Playtimes.

Playtimes across the school have been a joy to see this week. The playground has been filled with laughter, smiles and positive friendships as children make the most of their time together. From imaginative games and team sports to quiet conversations and shared moments, pupils are learning how to cooperate, include others and look after one another. It has been especially lovely to see children showing kindness, taking turns and resolving problems calmly, helping to create a happy and supportive playtime environment where everyone feels welcome.



SEND information

At The Bluecoat School, we believe that most children's needs can be met through our inclusive approach and the ordinarily available provision within the classroom. Our staff work hard to ensure that every child feels supported, valued, and able to access learning at their own level.

For more detailed information about how we support children with additional needs, please refer to our SEND Information Report, which can be found on our school website
The Bluecoat School

Families can access a wealth of support and information available via the <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/send-local-offer>. The Local Offer, which outlines services and provision available in our area for children and young people with SEND.



After School Club Fun

Our after-school clubs have been full of fun, energy and enthusiasm, and it has been wonderful to see the children so engaged and excited each week. Wheelchair sports has been a fantastic experience, helping pupils to develop teamwork, resilience and empathy while challenging themselves in a fun and inclusive way. Gymnastics club has been bursting with energy, with children building strength, flexibility and confidence as they practise new skills and routines. Art club has provided a relaxed and creative space where pupils can unwind at the end of the day, explore different materials and techniques, and express their ideas freely. These clubs not only support physical and creative development but also help children build friendships and confidence outside the classroom. There is something for everyone, and we would love to welcome even more children to join in the fun





Fancy an insight?

We know that what goes on behind the classroom doors can sometimes feel like a bit of a mystery - you might find yourself trying to picture or piece together what you imagine learning is actually like in class...well wonder no more! We're delight to offer all parents the opportunity to see for themselves what goes on after you drop your children off at school.

If you would like to book a time to come and see and even sit in a lesson or two for a while, please contact the school office to book at time/appointment.

We hope you take the opportunity to find out for yourself what happens after the gates are locked!



After School Clubs – Places Still Available!

We still have spaces available in our exciting after school clubs! Here's what's on offer each day:

Monday – Football

Tuesday – Wheelchair sports

Wednesday – Art

Thursday – Gymnastics

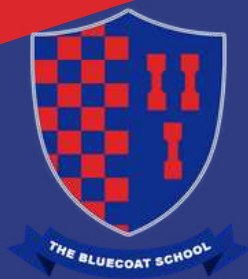
Friday – Wheelchair sports

Breakfast club

Places available for breakfast club.
Every morning from 7:30am
–8:30am.

Reception to Year 6 welcome.

To book a place, please use the Kids Club booking system. If you need any help or have questions, feel free to contact the school office.



Football Club

EVERY MONDAY - 4:30PM

GOAL!

OPEN TO EVERYONE

Meridian Trust

A poster for the Football Club. It features the title 'Football Club' in large, stylized red and white letters. Below the title, it says 'EVERY MONDAY - 4:30PM'. There are several circular images showing children playing football on a field. A central image shows a player in a red jersey kicking a ball. The text 'GOAL!' is written in a red, bubbly font. At the bottom left, there is a small logo for 'Meridian Trust'.

Wheelchair Sports Club

EVERY TUESDAY AND FRIDAY - 4:30PM

OPEN TO EVERYONE

- Wheelchair Basketball
- Wheelchair Tennis
- Learning key movements

Meridian

A poster for the Wheelchair Sports Club. The title 'Wheelchair Sports Club' is in large, bold, red and white letters. Below the title, it says 'EVERY TUESDAY AND FRIDAY - 4:30PM'. There are three circular images showing children in wheelchairs participating in sports: basketball, tennis, and a general activity. The text 'OPEN TO EVERYONE' is written in a small font. At the bottom left, there is a small logo for 'Meridian'.

GYMNASTICS Club

EVERY THURSDAY - 4:30PM

OPEN TO EVERYONE

- Fundamental gymnastics skills (balances, rolls, jumps)
- Floor routines and tumbling
- Vault introduction and safe landings
- Wall-bar exercises (swings, hangs, grips)
- Flexibility and stretching practice
- Strength-building activities

Meridian Trust

A poster for the Gymnastics Club. The title 'GYMNASTICS Club' is in large, bold, white and red letters. Below the title, it says 'EVERY THURSDAY - 4:30PM'. There are two circular images showing children practicing gymnastics on a mat and on a wall bar. The text 'OPEN TO EVERYONE' is written in a small font. At the bottom left, there is a small logo for 'Meridian Trust'.



Events coming up

🌐 AI and Your Child: What Parents Should Know

Artificial Intelligence is shaping the way children learn, play, and interact online. As parents, understanding both the opportunities and the risks is key.

Join our **FREE** webinar “AI: The Good, The Bad & The Ugly” to explore:

- ✔ Positive uses of AI for learning and creativity
- ⚠ Risks like chatbots, filtering, and misinformation
- 💡 Practical tips for family conversations and parental controls

 **Date:** 10th February

 **Time:** 6:00–7:00 PM

 **Location:** Online

 **Register here:**

<https://buytickets.at/staysafepartnership/2024139>

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE... THE GOOD, THE BAD, THE UGLY - PARENT WEBINAR



Lincolnshire
Partnership
Working for a Better Future

Stay Safe Team



Safer Internet Day Parent Event
Tuesday 10th February
6pm-7pm
Microsoft Teams event

★ Curious about AI and your child's world?

Artificial Intelligence is part of everyday life—from homework helpers to fun creative tools. But how can parents make sure it's used safely and wisely?

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- ✔ How AI can support learning and creativity
- ⚠ What to watch out for, like chatbots and misinformation
- 💡 Simple tips for family conversations and using parental controls

Empower yourself to guide your family confidently in the age of AI!

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/staysafepartnership/2024139>



Move & Food CAMP:

THE BLUECOAT SCHOOL

Dates: 16th - 19th February
9.30 - 15.30

For children aged 5-16

Our camps are the best place to entertain your children during the holidays. The children will participate in lots of fun games, sports, cooking sessions, arts and crafts, and much more!

Funded places available for children who receive benefits-related free school meals

Get booked in



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Camp Address:
The Bluecoat School,
Green Lane, Stamford,
PE9 1HE

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CALENDAR DATES

📣 Parent Reminders

- 20th January - Year 5 swimming.
- 26th January - Year 1/ 2 Library Visit.
- 27th January - Year 5 swimming.
- 30th January- 'Let it go' EYFS event
- 2nd February - Year 5 Library Visit
- 3rd February - Year 5 swimming.
- 9th February - Year 6 Library Visit.
- 10th February - Year 5 swimming.
- 13th February - Last Day of Term.
- 23rd February - Return to School.
- 24th February - Year 5/6 space centre trip.
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As the weather is getting colder, please ensure your child has their coats and a jumper with them when coming to school.

