

PGL

The Summer 2 term saw The Orchard offer our first ever residential trip away to PGL at Caythorpe Court. PGL secondary school residential trips take learning beyond the classroom and into the great outdoors with learners getting the opportunity to take part in a variety of outdoor activities like raft building, laser tag and rock climbing. The trip was so successful that we plan to do it again next year!



OFSTED

On 4th-6th June we welcomed Ofsted into the school for our inspection. We are immensely proud to now be able to share the report with you.

The opening line of, *'This is a school with a big heart that champions every pupil to success'* we feel reflects our special school perfectly.

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ENTERPRISE DAY

Monday 15th July saw the whole school participate in Enterprise Day. This is an annual event which the learners plan meticulously for, coming up with business ideas that will hopefully raise money for charity. Our learners gain vital skills and experience in communication, social skills, teamwork and preparation and

planning. The day was a huge success thanks to the generosity of our parents & carers, staff and external businesses with us raising a whopping £1575.40 for our 3 nominated charities, Royal Court Care Home, Alzheimer's Society and Parachute Regiment & Airborne Charity.



TRIPS

This last week has very much been about celebrating the end of the school year with some memorable days out. All of our learners had the opportunity to go to either the Yorkshire Wildlife Park or to the Aqua Park. It is fair to say that learners and staff had an amazing time. These school trips and activities are important to us as a school and our learners never fail to make us proud when out and about in the local community and beyond.



AWARDS DAY

Wednesday 17th July saw the whole school come together to celebrate our learner successes at our annual Awards Day. The day was a resounding success with 250 people coming together at the Beachcomber to cheer on our award winners.



SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

If you need help or support over the summer and are unsure who or where to turn to, our Safeguarding Lead number is 07738600651.

Claire or Steve will check the phone at 4pm each day.

Other services to help over the summer period are: -

- Integrated front Door (Children's Services) Members of the public and professionals can call the IFD on 01472 326292 (option 2, option 2) (Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 5pm and Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm).
- Report a concern to Children's Services - [SaferNEL | Report a concern - SaferNEL](#)
- The local offer for children and young people with disabilities - [NELC SEND Local Offer | North East Lincolnshire Special Educational Needs & Disability \(nelincs.gov.uk\)](#)

Food Banks -

- [The Rock Foundation UK Ltd | Supporting people in Grimsby](#) - Open Mon, Weds, Fri 1pm - 3:30pm
- [Food banks | The Salvation Army](#) - Open Mon - Fri 1pm - 3pm
- [Contact Us | CARE - Christian Action & Resource Enterprise \(carenelincs.co.uk\)](#) Open Mon-Fri 10am - 1pm

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

If any of our or other young people are struggling over the summer and need mental health support then the following agencies are there and available to help at any time.

- Young minds- support online for all children across all walks of life - [Self-care support in the summer holidays | Resources | Young Minds](#)
- Kooth - offer free, anonymous and safe support for children and young people aged between 11-18 in Lincolnshire - [Home - Kooth](#)

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW - SEPTEMBER

The below table details the areas that our learners will be working on throughout the Autumn term.

	Foundation	KS3	KS4
English	Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar	Book Study "Lemony Snicket"	Film Study "Catch Me If You Can"
Mathematics	Number and Place Value	Number and Place Value	Number and Place Value
ICT	Health and Safety Online	Health and Safety Online	Health and Safety Online
Science	Biology - Life Cycles and Habitats	Biology - Life Cycles and Habitats	Biology - Food Hygiene
PSHE/RSE	Families, Friendships and Safe Relationships	Families, Friendships and Safe Relationships (Y9 RSE)	Families, Friendships and Safe Relationships
Human & Social	History - Early Civilisations	History - Early Civilisations	History - Life Under Slavery
People and the Community	Believing - Saints and Heroes	Believing - Saints and Heroes	Believing - Hopes and Visions

YEAR 11 LEAVERS

As it is time for us to say goodbye to our 2024 year 11 cohort it is a time which is always bittersweet. We have watched them grow and mature and overcome so much to get to this point, but we are proud of their hard work and resilience. We wish them the very best of luck in all of their future endeavours.

We look forward to welcoming back the rest of our learners in September for another successful year!

DATES AND EVENTS

Summer School - 21st August 2024

Summer School Year 6 Transition Day - 22nd August 2024

GCSE Results Day - 22nd August 2024

Children return to school - Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Black History Month - October 2024

World Space Week (Theme - Space and Climate Change) - 4th October 2024

Break up for Autumn half term - Friday 25th October 2024