



# Donington on Bain Primary School

*Inspire, Enrich, Achieve*

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026

Dear Parent,

Another term is coming to an end, and we wish all our families a wonderful, restful Easter break filled with sunshine, chocolate and time together. We look forward to welcoming everyone back after the holidays on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April, refreshed and ready for the term ahead!

## **Values Awards**

At the end of the spring term, we celebrated six more children receiving the Values Awards. These awards recognise pupils who demonstrate our core values: respect, aspiration, care, integrity, creativity and community-mindedness. At our assembly this morning, the pupils were proudly presented with a trophy and a certificate. The six pupils selected continue to demonstrate these values consistently throughout their school life, setting a positive example for their peers.

## **Easter Bingo**

Our Easter Bingo fundraiser was a tremendous success, raising an impressive £1,004.33. It was wonderful to see so many families join us, and the children who attended were a real credit to the school — their behaviour was exemplary, and many kindly lent a hand with setting up, supporting during the event and packing away afterwards. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the FODOBS team for all their hard work in organising and hosting such an enjoyable evening. We are also extremely grateful for the generous prize donations from parents; the sheer variety of eggs — from chocolate treats to those of the feathered kind — made for an especially memorable selection of prizes! We were also delighted to receive a wonderful donation for our star raffle prize — a luxury hamper kindly provided by *Front Row Fencing*, along with two delicious chicken dinners generously contributed by Mrs Scott, a proud grandmother of two pupils at our school.

## **Statutory Testing**

We are fast approaching the statutory assessment period for pupils, and we want to ensure every child feels settled and ready for their tests. If your child is in one of the year groups listed below, please make a note of the key dates. It's important that pupils are in school during this time, so we



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kindly ask that medical appointments are avoided unless absolutely necessary. Unauthorised absences cannot be permitted during the assessment window, and your support in helping your child attend each day is greatly appreciated.

We would also like to gently remind families that absences due to holidays — particularly in the run-up to SATs — can have a significant impact on children's progress, as this period is a crucial time for learning, preparation and building confidence. Your support in ensuring strong attendance makes a real difference.

Year 6 SATs May 2026

These tests CANNOT be repeated so your child must be in school.

- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Papers 1&2
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May English Reading
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May Mathematics Paper 1 Arithmetic and Paper 2 Reasoning
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May Mathematics Paper 3 Reasoning

#### **Year 4 Multiplication Check**

Throughout the fortnight of Monday 1<sup>st</sup> – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June, the Year 4 Multiplication Check will take place.

#### **Year 1 Phonics screening**

The **Year 1** phonics screening will take place during the week Monday 8<sup>th</sup> – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June. **Year 2** pupils who did not meet the standard in Year 1 will also retake the screening check during this week.

#### **Leave of absence and holidays during term time**

Any request for leave of absence must be completed at least a month before the planned leave. The written request form can be found within the school's Attendance policy. If a written request for leave of absence is not completed and the leave is taken without a request being submitted, it will be marked as unauthorised. Retrospective requests will not be considered and will also result in the absence being categorised as unauthorised. In such cases the school may make a referral to the Local Authority to request that a penalty notice fine is issued or consider prosecution. Holidays taken during term time **will not** be authorised. If parents take their child out of school during term time, they may be subject to sanctions such as penalty fines.

#### **Free school meals**

Some families may qualify for Free School Meals if they receive certain benefits, including Universal Credit or Income-related support. Applying is quick, confidential, and also provides extra funding for the school through the Pupil Premium. To check the criteria and apply, please visit the local



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authority's Free School Meals webpage <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-pupil-support/apply-free-school-meals> or contact the school office for help.

## **Uniform**

To help ensure our uniform and presentation standards remain consistent for all pupils, please take a moment to review the following reminders.

- Lines must not be cut in to hair or eyebrows.
- Shaved in initials, motifs or hair extensions are not permitted.
- Hair longer than collar length should be tied back for health and safety reasons.
- Hair accessories such as bows, clips and hairbands may be worn but these must be discreet and only in school colours - white, dark blue or light blue.
- Trainers - dark blue, white or black (light up LED trainers are not permitted)

## **Class 3 and 4 Nature School Dates Summer term 2026**

| Class 3 and 4 Nature School Timetable |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| EASTER HOLIDAYS                       |         |
| 27.04.26                              | Class 3 |
| 11.05.26                              | Class 4 |
| 18.05.26                              | Class 4 |
| HALF TERM                             |         |
| 01.06.26                              | Class 4 |
| 08.06.26                              | Class 3 |
| 15.06.26                              | Class 3 |
| 22.06.26                              | Class 3 |
| 29.06.26                              | Class 4 |
| 06.07.26                              | Class 4 |
| 13.07.26                              | Class 4 |
| 20.07.26                              | Class 4 |
| SUMMER HOLIDAYS                       |         |

## **Dates for your diary - 2025/26**

### **Term 5**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April** – School reopens

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May** – May Day Bank Holiday - school closed

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May** - Celebration Assembly open to parents 3 – 3:25pm, doors open at 2:50pm and close at 3pm

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 6 SATS week (*no unauthorised absence permitted*)

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** - Sports Day (gates open 1:15pm, 1:30pm start)

School closes for half term

### **Term 6**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June** – School reopens



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**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June** Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check fortnight (no unauthorised absence permitted)

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 1 & 2 Phonics Screening week (no unauthorised absence permitted)

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June** – ARTventurers for children 6 months – 4/5 years old, 10 -11 am in the school hall <https://artventurers.co.uk/lincolneast/>

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June** – Class photographs

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June** - Movie Night *further details to be announced*

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June** – Sponsored walk

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** – Class 4 Enterprise Day

Celebration Assembly open to parents 3 – 3:25pm, doors open at 2:50pm and close at 3pm

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July** – Annual Reports to Parents

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July** - ARTventurers for children 6 months – 4/5 years old, 10 -11 am in the school hall <https://artventurers.co.uk/lincolneast/>

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – End of Year Disco time to be confirmed

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – Year 6 last day & Leavers' Assembly, 2pm

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** – School closes for the summer break

### **Term Dates 2025/26**

**Term 5** Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

**Term 6** Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July (Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July for pupils in year 6)

### **Term dates 2026/27**

**Term 1** - Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

**Term 2** - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

**Term 3** -Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February

**Term 4** – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March

**Term 5** – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May

**Term 6** - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July (Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July for pupils in Year 6)

With kind regards,

Mrs Louise Anyan  
Headteacher



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