



# KIRKBY LA THORPE

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## ST THOMAS

In Collective Worship today, we read the story of St Thomas and how this story links to our vision and values

## WELCOME BACK

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to school! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable break with your families and that your children are feeling refreshed and ready for the exciting term ahead.

This term promises to be full of new learning opportunities, creative experiences, and chances for your children to continue growing in confidence, knowledge, and skills. Our staff have been busy preparing engaging lessons and enriching activities that will challenge and inspire every child.

We continue to place a strong emphasis on our school values of Kindness, Learning, and Trust, ensuring that all children feel safe, supported, and encouraged to achieve their very best.

As always, we value the strong partnership we share with you. Working together, we can ensure the very best outcomes for your child. Please do keep in touch with us, whether that's through class teachers (on the playground/phone call/office), the school office, or by attending our upcoming events this term.

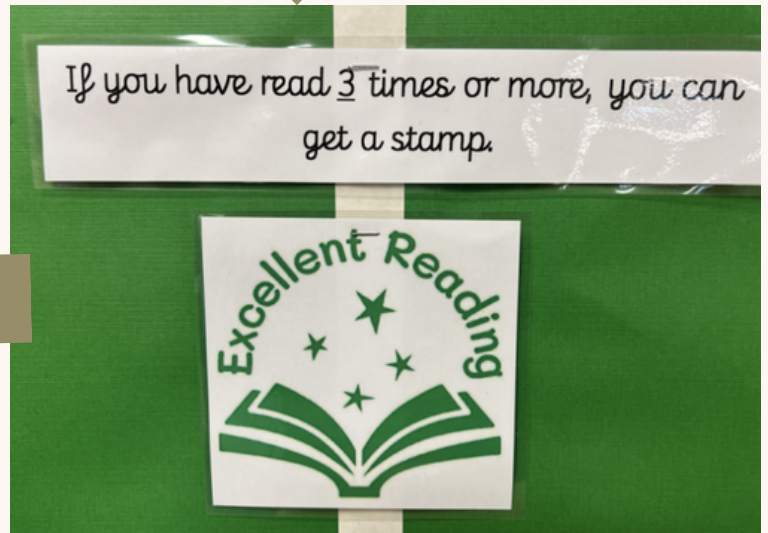
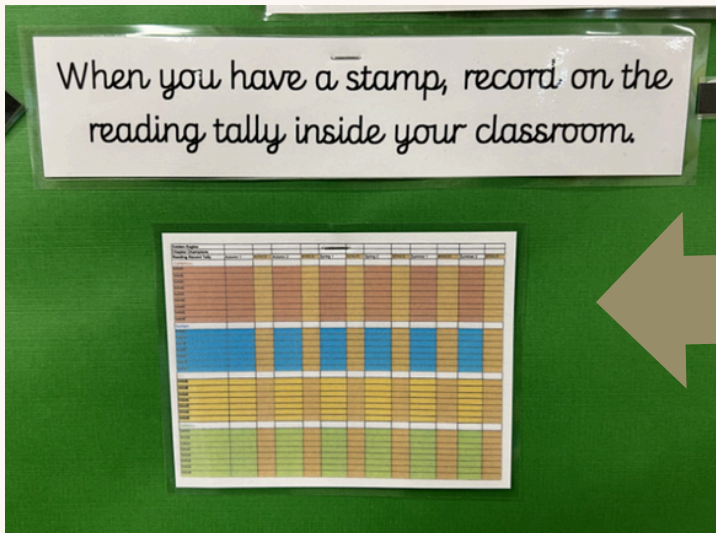
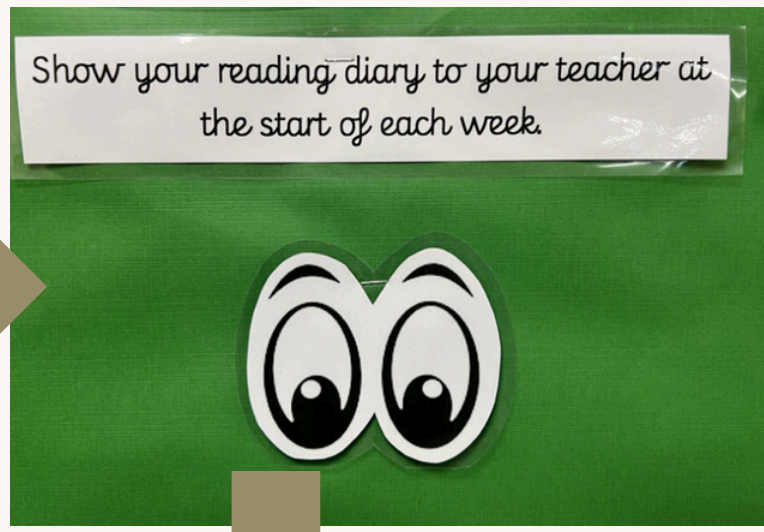
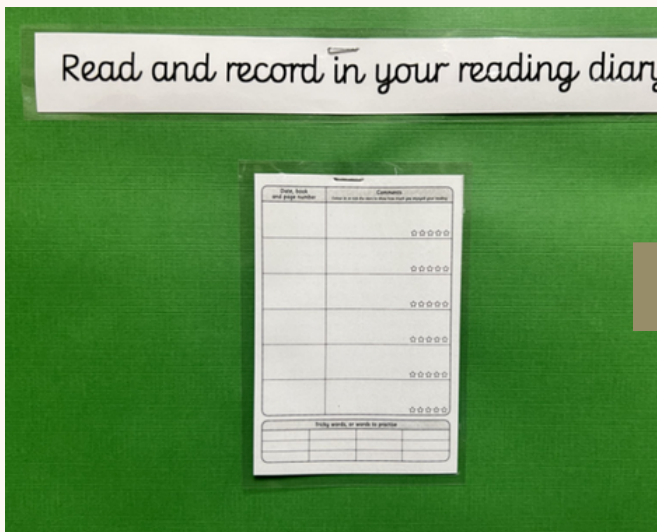
We are very much looking forward to an exciting and successful term and to seeing all that the children will achieve. Thank you for your continued support.

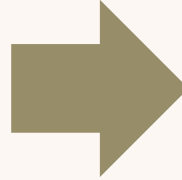
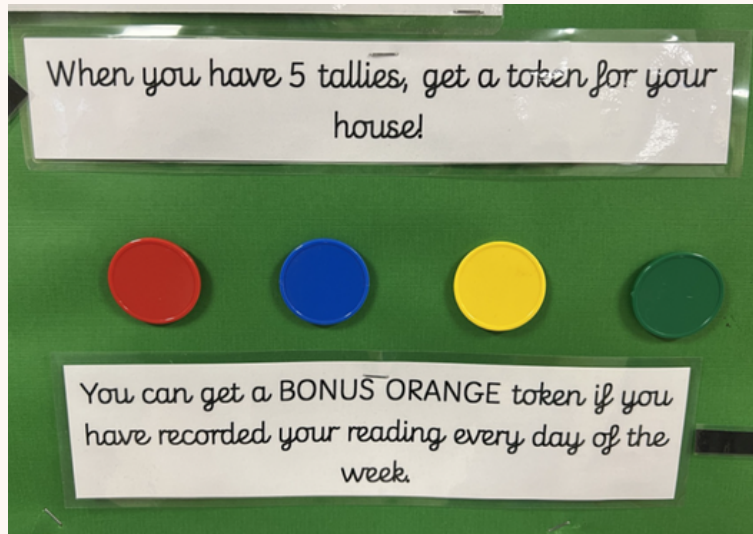
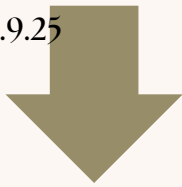
Warm regards,

Mrs Early

# CHAPTER CHAMPIONS

We are delighted to share that this term we will be launching an exciting new approach to reading. This will help us nurture a real love of books across the school, giving children even more opportunities to enjoy stories, explore different genres, and build their skills as confident, lifelong readers





If you read 7 times a bonus orange token is awarded.

## PE SLOTS

EYFS- Monday and Friday

Y1/2 Monday and Wednesday

Y3/4 Wednesday and Thursday

Y5/6 Wednesday and Friday

Children are to come in to school in their PE Kits.

Please can jewellery stay at home on these days, if possible and hair is to be tied back

## CLUBS

Clubs will commence on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September

Monday - Y5/6 Football club (25 max)

Wednesday - Y3/4 Archery (16 max)

Friday - Y1/2 Multi Skills (20 max)

## COLLECTIVE WORSHIP CHAMPIONS

We are excited to invite pupils to apply to become Collective Worship Champions this term. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to play an active role in shaping and leading our school's worship, sharing ideas, and helping to make our gatherings meaningful for everyone. If your child would like to apply, please complete and return the application form by Sunday 15th September.

## BEHAVIOUR POLICY

As we begin the new term, we will be revisiting our Home-School Agreement with all children. This agreement sets out the commitments we make as a school, the expectations we have of our pupils, and the important role that parents and carers play in supporting learning. New children will also be asked to read and sign the agreement so that they can join us in upholding our shared values and responsibilities. For more information, please see our policy on the school website.

# SECONDARY SCHOOL DATES

Important Dates Year 5 and Year 6		
	Kesteven and Sleaford High School	Carre's Grammar School
Open Morning (Y6) 9.15am-12pm	Wednesday 15 October 2025	Wednesday 15 October 2025
Sixth Form Open Evening 6-8pm	Wednesday 22 October 2025	Wednesday 22 October 2025
Year 5 Taster Days 9.15am-3pm	Tuesday 16 June 2026 Thursday 18 June 2026	Tuesday 16 June 2026 Thursday 18 June 2026
Year 7 New Intake Evening 5-7pm	Tuesday 23 June 2026	Monday 22 June + Tuesday 23 June 2026
Year 7 New Intake Day 8.40am-3.30pm	Friday 26 June 2026	Friday 26 June 2026
Open Days (Y5)	Tuesday 30 June + Wednesday 1 July 2026	Tuesday 30 June / Wednesday 1 / Thursday 2 July 2026 (mornings only)
Open Evening (Y5) 5-7pm	Tuesday 30 June 2026	Thursday 2 July 2026
Open Morning (Y6) 9.15am-12pm	Wednesday 14 October 2026	Wednesday 14 October 2026

## POLITE REMINDER

We kindly remind all parents and carers that parking on double yellow lines outside the school is not permitted at any time. These restrictions are in place to ensure the safety of all our children, families, and staff, especially during busy drop-off and pick-up times.

Parking on double yellow lines can obstruct visibility for pedestrians and drivers, making it more difficult for children to cross safely. It also causes congestion and can block access for emergency vehicles. Please help us keep our school community safe by parking considerately and using designated parking areas where possible. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

## DIABETES UK- MRS HOUNSELL

### My Story

This year I'm taking on the One Million Step challenge to help raise funds for this amazing charity! Diabetes is something that I have grown to know more about over the past few years both in my personal and working life. Over the years the technology to help with this medical condition has changed massively and with more donations hopefully this will become even better! Follow my journey alongside my husband, the cutest member of our family (Ruby) and the rest of the Gilliatt's as we step into the summer 🍷

Welcome to my Diabetes UK One Million Step Challenge page! I'm stepping up for Diabetes UK this summer to support the 5 million people in the UK who live with diabetes, day in day out. And you can too, just by making a donation. Did you know someone is diagnosed with diabetes every two minutes? Diabetes UK are on a mission to create a world where diabetes can do no harm by funding vital research into life-changing treatments and providing support to help people to live better with diabetes. But they need our help. No matter how much you can give, it will make a difference. So please donate today.



# FACEBOOK

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1Y8xJqZpfn/>

If you haven't done so already, take a look at our Facebook page and give us a follow 😊

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# PEBBLE

To link with spirituality at school, we'd like each child to bring a small pebble with them by the end of next week. We'll be painting these pebbles together to create a special spirituality area in our school. A peaceful space that reflects our community. Every new pupil who joins us will add their own pebble, helping this area grow and evolve over time.

# MEET THE TEACHER CURRICULUM CHATS

After the success of the start-of-year meetings last year, our Meet the Teacher Curriculum Chats will take place during the week commencing 15th September, straight after school. These sessions will provide an opportunity to talk about the year ahead, including expectations, curriculum coverage, and year group-specific items (for example, phonics). Further details will be sent out next week.