



NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2025



Dear Families,

What a festive week we have had! The elves have arrived at home and in school and the children's excitement levels are palpable!

Christmas Card reminder – If children would like to write Christmas cards for their friends, we have a special post-box in the school foyer that they can post their cards into and then these will be delivered to the classrooms every day.

Congratulations on a Wonderful Christmas Fayre! - A huge well done and thank you to everyone involved in our Christmas Fayre. It was a fantastic community event—full of festive cheer, brilliant stalls, and so many happy faces. We are incredibly grateful to our families, staff and volunteers for helping make it such a success.

Travel ambassadors – This week our School Travel Ambassadors joined were out at the start of the day in the village to help raise awareness about speeding! They did a fantastic job reminding drivers to slow down and keep everyone safe. We are very proud of the sensible and mature way they represented our school. Keep an eye out for the purple patrol over the coming weeks!

Nativity - excitement is building as Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 prepare for their nativity performances next week! The children have been working so hard learning their lines and songs, and we look forward to seeing them all shine! Tickets have been sent home today, please check bags and contact the office if you have any queries.

Christmas Jumper Day – Don't forget that next Thursday is Christmas Jumper Day! Pupils are invited to wear a festive jumper alongside their usual uniform. We will also be enjoying our Christmas meal on the same day with some festive songs and fun!

January Start Date Reminder- Please note that school will be closed on Monday 5th January for staff training. We look forward to welcoming pupils back on Tuesday 6th January.

We hope you have a great weekend.

Mr Reed 😊

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(John 10:10)*

Dates for your diary

9th December – Reception and KS1
Nativity @ 2pm

10th December – Reception and KS1
Nativity @ 6pm

11th December – Christmas Dinner and
Christmas Jumper Day

19th December – End of Autumn Term
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5th January – Inset Day

6th January – Return to school

13th January – Y2 trip to Oakham
Museum

28th January – Y6 Trip to London

5th February – FORA Disco

10th February – Young Voices



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ATTENDANCE



Class – Top 3	Weekly %
Reception	99.6
Year 1	99.1
Year 5	97.7

Our overall school attendance last week was 94.4% which is slightly below the national average. Please do get in touch if you need any support with attendance.

Well done to Belvoir Class who won the Attendance Trophy with 99.6% attendance for all.

Thank you for the continued communication and co-operation with the different procedures in place.

STAR OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the children awarded Star of the Week in our Celebration Assembly.



Belvoir	Woody
Belton	Lola
Rockingham	Archie
Burghley	Sienna
Woolsthorpe	Catherine
Tolethorpe	Isaac
Hambleton	Mia



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SEN INFORMATION

Specialist Teaching Team
Inclusion Service

Dyslexia Outreach

Is your child transferring from **Primary to Secondary** school in September 2026?

Would you like to find out more about how you can support your child to make this transfer as exciting and happy as possible?



Transition Workshop

Join us for a **free, online workshop**, sharing strategies for support and an opportunity to ask questions. Open to all parents and carers, regardless of which setting your child attends, or is transferring to.

Your child does not have to have a dyslexia diagnosis for this information to be relevant and useful!

Monday 11th May 2026 @ 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

To attend on this date, please register at with LPCF at: <https://www.lincspcf.org.uk/>
Once registered with the Forum, you can visit their Events page to sign up for this event.

Tuesday 9th June 2026 @ 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

If you would like to attend on this date please sign up [here](#).

Please note, both sessions have the same content, so please sign up to the most convenient date for you.

If you are unable to attend either workshop but would like some advice about your child's learning or transition, you can contact us directly:

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jane.mcwatt@lincolnshire.gov.uk

Odette Read (North)
Tel: 07778 534478
odette.read@lincolnshire.gov.uk

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RYHALL CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICES



Advent & Christmas across Ryhall, Essendine & Carlby CofE, Churches



7th	9am Reflective Service, Carlby
7th	9.30am, Family Service, Essendine
7th	10.30am, Holy Communion, Ryhall
13th	6pm, Carols in the Square, Ryhall
14th	9.30am, Holy Communion, Essendine
14th	10.30am Christingle Service, Carlby
14th	10.30am, Morning Prayer, Ryhall
21st	3pm, Carols, Essendine
21st	4.30pm Carol Service, Carlby
21st	6pm, Carol Service, Ryhall
23rd	6pm, Christmas Calm, Carlby
24th	4pm, Christingle for all, Ryhall
24th	6pm All Age Communion Service, Carlby
25th	9.30am, Christmas Morning Communion, Essendine
25th	10.30am Christmas Morning Celebration, Carlby
28th	10.30 Favourite Carols Service, Carlby



Christmas, the reason for the season -
Happy Christmas everyone!



Christmas at Ryhall Methodist Church on Mill Street:

All-Age Carol Service

10:30am Sunday 21st December 2025

Christmas Day Service

10:30am Thursday 25th December 2025

Christmas Holiday Club

10am – 1pm Monday 29th

& Tuesday 30th December 2026

Book online: tinyurl.com/RyhallHNY

stamfordmethodistcircuit.org/church/ryhall/



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LOCAL EVENTS

Happy New Year!

A Christmas Holidays Club for primary-aged children at 10am – 1pm on Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th December 2025 at Ryhall Methodist Church

Join us for a fun two mornings of exploring the theme 'Happy New Year' including activities such as:

- ★ arts & crafts
- ★ fun challenges
- ★ drama & stories
- ★ songs, prayers, verses
- ★ active games
- ★ refreshments and lunch

Come along and enjoy lots of engaging activities, as well as learning about God's promises to us.

Our Holiday Club is free, but donations are welcome.

Book online: <https://tinyurl.com/RyhallHNY>

Request paper booking forms or direct any queries to Charlotte: ryhallprayers@gmail.com or 01780 897971



Ryhall & Belmesthorpe Advent Window Trail 2025

How to join in....

Decorate a street-facing window - Choose whatever you like - Traditional Christian theme, Seasonal such as 12 days of Christmas, Santa, Snowmen, Maybe a message of hope

Who can take part....

ANYONE... If you live in Ryhall or Belmesthorpe with a street-facing window, then join in the fun and help spread the cheer this Christmas

When & How....

Have your window decorated by Carols in the Square on December 13th right up until the St John's Christingle Service on December 24th

Share your photos....

Walk round the villages and spot as many windows as you can - When you see one take a picture and share/send your photos to the St John's Facebook page -

<https://www.facebook.com/RyhallEssendineandCarlbyChurches/>



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LOCAL CLUBS



MON 22 DECEMBER

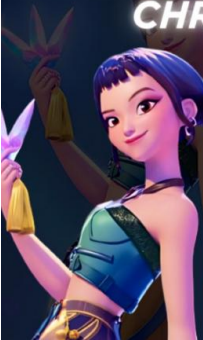
'GOLDEN GROOVE' WINTER PARTY

CHRISTMAS WORKSHOPS 2025

Welland Academy, Green Lane, Stamford

09:30am - 3:30pm. Age 5-12 years
8:30am/430pm extended day

Menu (food is included):
Lightstick Power Ups (fruity snacks)
HUNTR/X Golden Groove Noodles
The Honmoon Barrier Berries





TUE 23 DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS DINNER & PARTY

CHRISTMAS WORKSHOPS 2025

Welland Academy, Green Lane, Stamford

09:30am - 3:30pm Age 5-12 years
8:30am/430pm extended day

Menu (food is included):
Festive Fruit Feast
Jolly Reindeer Roast Dinner
Mistletoe & Moonlight Banana Custard







Holiday Activities and Food



An opportunity for your child to take part in **FREE** exciting activities and enjoy healthy meals over the holiday period.

Monday 22 December 2025 to Friday 2 January 2026 (excluding bank holidays).

Scan here



Book your place from Thursday 20th November.

Open to all school age children in receipt of benefit related Free School Meals.

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LOCAL CLUBS



CASTERTON HUB CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLUB

Monday, 22nd December
Tuesday, 23rd December

9.00-4.00 • £35

Additional hours • 8.00-9.00 &
16.00-17.00 • £7.00 an hour

Come and join us for
some Christmas fun!

To book your place
01780 754780
childcare@castertoncollege.com



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION & REMINDERS

We are a nut free school as we have children who are allergic to nuts. Please remember this when preparing packed lunches or snacks and avoid food containing nuts such as chocolate spread and pesto.

If you need to drive to drop off or collect your child, please park with consideration of resident's drives, garages or access to roads. Please remember that parking on zig-zag lines at any time of the day is prohibited to ensure the safety of the children during the busier periods of the day.

A reminder to families to not use the staff car park when either dropping children to school or collecting them – this is purely for the safety of the children and staff. This does apply to drop off and pick up from Wrap Around Care and clubs.

If your child travels home on the bus don't forget to complete the **bus register on Arbor** before 9am on a Monday morning. Booking opens each week on a Friday afternoon.

Contact details for music teachers

Piano – Julia Lamb - jklamb@hotmail.co.uk

Flute – Julie Dearden - jules.swallowhill@gmail.com

Guitar – Jack Parkinson - jackparkinsonmusic@gmail.com

Drums – Rory Hill - rory@noisetuition.com



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Worried About A Child?

Should you have any concerns about a child, please speak to any member of school staff who can, where required, direct you to the relevant people.

Our staff trained to deal with potential safeguarding concerns and worries are:

- Mr A Reed (Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs D Jesson (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs C Hicks (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs E Jagger (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs L Garwood (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)



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