

June 2025 at Dunholme St Chad's

I am delighted to share that we have been awarded a grant of £10,000 from Nationwide to fund our Growing Futures Project. The grant will enable us to develop an engaging educational space where children can learn to grow plants, flowers and vegetables, as well as gaining an understanding about the importance of sustainability. The tranquil space will also serve as a quiet area for children to sit, reflect and connect with nature, promoting mental well-being alongside academic growth.

Moreover, the project will promote teamwork, responsibility and resilience – qualities that are vital for personal and social development.

Through this initiative, our children will not only learn how to grow their own food but will also have the opportunity to participate in entrepreneurial activities. For instance, once the vegetables are harvested, we hope that our pupils will be able to create soups and sell them to parents at the end of the school day. This practical application of their learning will foster a sense of achievement and further reinforce the importance of self-sufficiency and community engagement. We are incredibly grateful to Mrs Wallace for putting together such an impressive funding bid and look forward to sharing updates with you about this exciting initiative in future editions.



This term we have been delighted to welcome back music specialists from Lincolnshire Music Services. Year 3 pupils have thoroughly enjoyed their first few sessions of ukulele and our Year 4 pupils have been excited to start their P bones sessions. They practise in the hall, which is beside my office so it is very hard to concentrate when 30 trombones are playing at the same time!

Our Year 4 pupils had a fantastic time focusing on Viking culture during their residential to York. They visited the Yorvik Centre & participated in hands-on archaeological activities at DIG. The residential tied in with their theme work this term, titled 'Invaders, Raiders or Traders?'



We were incredibly proud of the way our Year 6 pupils conducted themselves during SATs week. They had worked so hard in the weeks leading up to it. Mr Parkin had fully prepared them so they approached the tests calmly and some pupils said they actually enjoyed the week.

We are now actively engaging with our prospective Reception Class 2025/26 families, inviting them to join us in our transition programme to familiarise the new children with our school. We are excited about getting to know each and every one of them.

We will also be supporting our Year 6 pupils as they prepare to transition to secondary school in the autumn.

Following our extremely popular Judo sessions held in school last term by Barry Cooper, the interest was so strong that Barry has since set up locally at Dunholme Village Hall to continue his sessions for local children to take part in. These are held on Thursdays 5:30 - 6:30pm, £5 per session per child. Parents can contact via Barry's mobile no. 07539320864, or email: cooperbarry720@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

- 5 June: Y4 Visit to Lincs Energy Waste Plant
- 11 June: Y3 Mini Olympics at Bishop Grosseteste University
- 23-27 June: Sports Week including Sports Day on Thursday 26th June
- 1-2: William Farr Transition Days for Y6
- 21 July: Y6 Leavers' Service & End of Year Discos for all years
- 22 July: Last Day of Term before the Summer Holidays

For our latest news, you might like to check out our website <https://www.dunholme.lincs.sch.uk>

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