

Primary Admissions:

Friday 31st January 2025

Issue 16

Reception 2025 – Late applications

Children who are born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021 are due to start Reception in September 2025.

Lincolnshire parents can apply for a place from 15 November 2024 (closing date was 15 January 2025) for the 2025 Reception intake. There is an extension until January 28th 2025. Late applications will be accepted until February 17th

The preferred method for applying for a **Reception place for September 2025** is online.
For families living in Lincolnshire, click:

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-admissions/apply-school-place>

You can also apply by telephoning Customer Service Centre on 01522 782030. Alternatively you can request a paper application using the same number.

You can apply for up to three state schools, in or out of county on your application. We strongly advise you to name three schools on your application as we cannot guarantee a place at your most preferred school. Late applications and changes received after 12 noon on 17 February 2025 will not be dealt with in time for offer day on 18 April 2025 and will be processed at a later date.

Miss MacLachlan expresses her thanks for the cards and baby gifts. They are both doing well and we are hoping to see them both again soon.

This week it was lovely to hear the music of Brant Broughtton: from preparations and performances that led to the Young Voices Concert, to listening to some of our younger children learning to play the ukulele. We've also been busy making sure we are excelling in the core subjects too. Miss Brown and myself have also been in-and-out of classes looking at books to see what progress we can see after having White Rose Maths in school for a term now. With this in mind, I leave you with this quote from American Business Executive Heather Bresch who said: "There is no substitute for hard work when it comes to achieving success." Have a lovely weekend when it comes.

Best wishes,
Martyn Wells
(Interim-Executive Headteacher)



We Need You!





We'd love to gain some local support in our governor team to support the school and its team and offer us challenge too to become even better than we are.


At Brant Broughton C.E. Methodist Primary School, we're looking for people who feel that by giving back they could have a positive impact on our school and community.



We are looking for several people to become Governors within our Governing Body. The role of a Governor is simple: it can be described as monitoring and evaluating the progress of the school. This involves being curious, critical, and confident in asking questions.

As a governor, you should be good at problem solving, and prepared to give and take advice. So what's required of the role?

 We meet twice a term (6 times a year) for approximately 2 hours for our Full Governing Body meeting and committee meeting

 As a governor, it's great to get into school at least once a month for a couple of hours to meet with the school team and observe school life in action

 Being curious and asking questions is key. Challenging the school to continually develop, enhance and grow the offer to our support our children's success is a priority. If this sounds interesting then please do get in touch:

 enquiries@brant-broughton.lincs.sch.uk  01400 272035 Deadline is: Friday 31st January 2025

We are looking for individuals who have experience in Finance, Health and Safety, Marketing... or just a passion to support their local community and school. We'd love to gain some local support in our governor team.

Young Voices Choir



What an outstanding performance from our Young Voices Choir this week. We were all very proud of how well they represented the school amongst 5000 other children. Thank you to Miss Foster for helping to prepare the choir this year and to the staff who joined the children – helping to give long-lasting memories to the children & their families who attended. A little video of the children's experience is available on the school's Facebook page: [Brant Broughton CE & Methodist Primary School | Facebook](#)

Regular reading impacts a child's success at school.
If not addressed early the educational gap widens...

Child A



Reads 20 minutes
per day

3,600 minutes
per school year

1,800,000 words
per school year



Scores in the
90th percentile

Child B



Reads 5 minutes
per day

900 minutes
per school year

282,000 words
per school year



Scores in the
50th percentile

Child C



Reads 1 minute
per day

180 minutes
per school year

8,000 words
per school year



Scores in the
10th percentile

Standardised Test Scores

By the end of grade 6, Child A will have read the equivalent of 60 school days, Child B will have read for 12 school days and Child C will have read for 3 days. Nagy and Herman, 1987.

E-Safety Updates

WhatsApp Account Takeover Scam

Another month, another WhatsApp scam. This time criminal gangs are managing to get into chat groups, particularly groups where there are large numbers of people, meaning that no-one knows everyone. From there they will target individuals in the group by telling them that a code is on its way to them which they need to share. For example, a student chat group was infiltrated by someone pretending to be their university lecturer and he asked them all to share their code so that they could join a group call. At that point, the criminal gang now has control of your personal WhatsApp account and will be able to message others asking for money.

Whilst it can be difficult to get your head around some of these scams the message is simple. Regardless of how old you are, regardless of how much you trust that person, never ever share passwords or passcodes.

For Parents - Tips to Promote Positive Body Image

Concerns around social media influence in particular and the negative effects of this influence on body image for girls and boys have been around for years. In the age of generative AI this can only increase. Internet Matters have some great, practical advice for parents about self-image, body image and identity which you can find [HERE](#).

Ukulele



Wonderful sounds coming out of Year 1 and Year 2 this week...