



# LITTLE GONERBY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Dear families,

Wow, what a year we have had! I can't quite believe that we are at the end of the school year already – it certainly has flown by. The staff are delighted with the progress made by the children; we are incredibly lucky to have such fantastic children at our school, supported by their families, who are able to flourish. Thank you to everyone for the support you have offered the school this year.

This year has been incredible, despite some challenges, and we are grateful for everyone's efforts. Some of our many successes include improvements in our end of year data (especially in phonics) signifying how our curriculum offer is going from strength to strength, sports enrichment opportunities, parent events in each class, a successful implementation of Class Dojo for celebrating positive behaviour, wonderful Nativity & Christingle services, engagement with external agencies to support children & families, a fantastic curriculum to develop children's love of learning, a great pastoral offer, a successful Ofsted inspection... and plenty more!

Sadly, we are saying goodbye to some staff members today. A huge thank you & goodbye goes to Mrs Adele Tuohy (Head Chef) and Ms Sharon Cunnington (Catering Assistant) as we unfortunately have to close our kitchen. Thank you for providing us with lots of delicious food – you will be missed. We also say goodbye to Miss Ellis (Teaching Assistant), who has finished her apprenticeship. Thank you for all of your support teaching P.E over the last few years. Finally, we say goodbye to Mrs Hayley Lound (Bursar). Mrs Lound has been instrumental at Little Gonerby over the last eight years, first as Administrator and then more recently as Bursar. We would like to wish her the very best of luck for the future. We also say goodbye to some of our Year 2 children as they join another school – you will be missed, but we know that you will continue to flourish.

In September, we are excited to be welcoming some new staff to our school. Mr Jack Parker joins us as Year 3 Class Teacher – he has already been into school several times and met his class. I know he can't wait to start! Mrs Charlotte Dawber and Miss Marlena Kalinska also join us as Teaching Assistants – we can't wait to have you both in our team! We are also excited to welcome a new cohort of Reception children to our wonderful school community – we are certain they will thrive too, just like the rest of our children.

We would also like to update you that, from September, Mrs Shepherd will be known in school as Miss Steele. We appreciate that a name change may be difficult to remember, but don't worry as Miss Steele will still respond to being called 'Mrs Shepherd' for now!

If you have any safeguarding concerns over the holidays, a reminder about what to do can be found here:

If you need to get in touch over the holidays for urgent matters, please send an email to [LGAenquiries@infinityacademies.co.uk](mailto:LGAenquiries@infinityacademies.co.uk) – these emails will be checked on a weekly basis and responded to if they are deemed to be urgent.

## Safeguarding



Safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone!

If you believe that a child may be a victim of neglect, abuse or cruelty, call Children's safeguarding - **01522 782111** (Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm). This is Lincolnshire's Children's Services who will take the information and log the details you wish to share.

Any enquiries about our new school dinner provider can be made to Good Lookin Cookin, either by phone (01522 500779) or email ([sales@goodlookincookin.co.uk](mailto:sales@goodlookincookin.co.uk)). They will be able to support with registering and ordering school dinners. The menus for September will be live on their website from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July.

Next year brings a raft of exciting changes and continuous improvements to our school, including:

- More regular opportunities for parents to pop into school and celebrate their children's learning.
- A range of parent events in each class.
- Coffee mornings.
- Class Assemblies to families and the whole school.
- Updated Church school vision & values.
- Further support and collaboration across Infinity Academies Trust.
- Our continued growth as we have our first Year 4 cohort.
- Further leadership opportunities for the children.
- A relaunched Parent Teacher Association (PTA).
- Swimming lessons for Year 3 & Year 4.
- Continued enrichment from Inspire+.
- Road Safety Week.
- PSHE & online safety workshops.
- Anti-bullying Week...

....to name just a few!

Thank you once again for helping us to make this a successful year.

We can't wait to see our whole school back on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024**. Have a fantastic summer break!

With the very best of wishes,

Mr J Hawkins

### **TERM DATES 2024-25**

|                     | <b>FIRST DAY</b>                  | <b>LAST DAY</b>           |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>TERM 1</b>       | Wednesday 4 September 2024        | Friday 18 October 2024    |
| <b>TERM 2</b>       | Tuesday 29 October 2024           | Thursday 19 December 2024 |
| <b>TERM 3</b>       | Monday 6 January 2025             | Friday 14 February 2025   |
| <b>TERM 4</b>       | Monday 24 February 2025           | Friday 4 April 2025       |
| <b>TERM 5</b>       | Tuesday 22 April 2025             | Friday 23 May 2025        |
| <b>BANK HOLIDAY</b> | <b>School closed Monday 5 May</b> |                           |
| <b>TERM 6</b>       | Tuesday 3 June 2025               | Tuesday 22 July 2025      |