

### WELCOME BACK!

Dear Parents/Carers,

# Happy New Year!

I hope you have enjoyed a great holiday making lots of special memories with family and friends.

As always, we are looking forward to a busy half-term with new and exciting topics for everyone! Please don't forget to keep an eye on Class Dojos as we upload learning videos, Powerpoints and resources every week. We also upload letters and 'reminder messages' so it is very important you register and check regularly. If you are unsure, please speak to your child's teacher.

We are delighted to welcome our new teacher, MISS LINDSEY, to Rosen class. Don't worry, Miss Gattuso and Mrs Creasey are still here and will be busy focusing on their whole school roles. We are also pleased to be welcoming back MRS HARTROPP as a Governor. Mrs Hartropp retired as a Governor a little while ago but misses working with us so has asked to come back, of course we said YES!

I wonder what New Year's resolutions you have made and what plans you have for 2025? We will be thinking about 'new beginnings' in our Shine times this week and I am looking forward to hearing about the things the children would like to happen this year.

Thanks for your support. Take care ©. Mrs Waters

<u>Foodbank</u>

Dogsthorpe Infants is an agent for foodbank vouchers. If you are currently going through a difficult financial time and need a food parcel, please speak to Mrs Waters or Mrs Gardner. You can be assured that this will be kept confidential. E-Vouchers are now available so can be sent to you electronically. If you require a voucher please email Mrs Waters/Mrs Gardner on: <u>office@dogsthorpeinfants.org.uk</u> or click on the link on our school website www.dogsthorpeinfants.co.uk

## Cost of Living Crisis Support

Under the 'Parents' tab on our school website there is further information on financial support available to families along with some money saving ideas, including online food at reduced prices. If you know of any further websites/money saving tips or advice that may be of benefit to our families, please email the details to the address above and we will add to the list.

# DIS News! Spring Term 10/01/25

# If you need help...

If you have any questions/concerns regarding your child's learning, then please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Don't forget our **Admin Staff** are always ready and willing to help you with any general school questions you may have:

Mrs Gardner, Administration Manager and PA to the Headteacher

Mrs Streeter & Mrs Sendall, Administration Assistants

**Miss Stamper** - Family Well-being Champion

If you need support with anything, please ask us and we will do our very best to help!



#### Autumn Term Fundraising Update

Due to the generous donations of parents, staff and the wider community we have raised the following monies for our school fund and worthy charities during the Autumn Term:

Children in Need: £127.57 Nativity collection baskets - donated to 'Save the Children': £174.25

#### School Fund

New 2 You/Books & Gifts Sales: £137.00 Christmas fundraising activities: £239.00

This money will go towards the cost of the year group trips and curriculum visitors.

# Thank you for your support!

#### Cycles/Scooters/Gates

We are happy for child to come to school on bikes & scooters. However, you need to ensure these are left securely i.e. locked with a padlock in our cycle storage. We do not accept any responsibility for loss or damage. Our cycle shed should only be used by INFANT school children.

Bikes and scooters should NOT be ridden on school premises, and we respectfully ask that you dismount before entering the gates.

# Reminder that the gate between us and the Academy is locked at 8.45am.

## DIS DIARY DATES, SPRING 1

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January - Class Photos. The Tempest photographer will be in school to take a whole class photo. Proofs will be sent out at a later date for parents to order.



<u>BOOK BUZZ!</u> Come and spend 15 minutes in the classroom reading/sharing a book with your child. Younger siblings are welcome to join in too. Please note the change of time. Sessions will be at the end of the school day this time rather than the beginning - children can leave with the adult attending at 3.10pm.

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2.50pm - 3.10pm Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2.50pm - 3.10pm Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2.50pm - 3.10pm Year 1 Classes EYFS Classes Year 2 Classes

Wednesday 12th February - the nursing team will be in school to check on height & weight of EYFS children. Parents are not required to attend.

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February, 3.30- 6.00pm - Parent Consultation Evenings This is an opportunity for you to discuss your child's learning & progress with the class teacher and look at your child's workbooks. This time the appointments will be face to face in school. Further details to follow.

Friday 14th February - Shooting Stars Shine Time, 9.00am. If your child is to receive a merit certificate you will be sent an invitation to attend

School will close at 3.15pm on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February for the half-term holiday. School reopens at 8.45am on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February