

A Message from Mrs Waters  
**Let's spring into SPRING 2!**

We hope you all enjoyed a great holiday 😊

Thank you to everyone who attended parents' evenings just before the holiday. It was lovely to see you in school to discuss your child's progress and look at their learning.

Our Spring 2 topics have already captured the children's imaginations with EYFS dressing up as Pirates and Year 1 and Year 2 travelling back in time to find out about castles. We are looking forward to celebrating 'World Book Day' next Thursday and welcoming lots of you to Book Buzz at the beginning of the day. I wonder how many 'Brown Owls' and 'Tricky Witches' we will have in school on that day!

A staffing update...Miss Ashpool has now left our school. We wish her all the best for the future.

Thanks for your support, take good care  
*Mrs Waters*

Foodbank

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: [office@dogsthorpeinfants.org.uk](mailto:office@dogsthorpeinfants.org.uk) or click on the link on our school website [www.dogsthorpeinfants.co.uk](http://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**  
**28/02/25**

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!**



### Being the best we can be!

We are going to have a big focus on BEHAVIOUR again this half-term. We will be reminding ourselves of our SHINE VALUES and our RECIPE FOR A FANTASTIC SCHOOL so that we all work together to make our school a great place to be.

We will be thinking about why we line up to move around school and practicing this. Which class will be the best at walking quietly? We will work on our communication skills, taking turns to speak and developing good listening skills.

We have noticed a significant increase in the number of children using inappropriate language. We are working hard to stop this, and we use the phrase "kind words" if a child uses language they shouldn't. We would be grateful if you can support us by using the same phrase at home and also being mindful of what your children overhear.

**We are determined to ensure DIS is a brilliant community to learn in!**

### 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 2

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day!** Children and Staff are invited to dress up as our Monster Phonics characters (please see letters sent on Parentmail & Dojo for full information). Parents/carers are also invited to join us in the classrooms for our whole school Book Buzz session, 8.45am - 9.15am. Pre school children are welcome to join.

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March - Red Nose Day.** Children and staff are invited to come to school dressed in their own clothes on this day. Please ensure that clothing is suitable for the school day including playtimes. A donation of a coin/s for this worthy charity would be much appreciated. Please send the donation in a named envelope.

**School will close at 3.15pm on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April for the Easter holiday.  
School reopens at 8.45am on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025.**

#### **Term Dates:**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May - School closed for the May Bank Holiday

Half-term - Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025

School Closes for the Summer holidays - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025