

Dogsthorpe Infant School

Whole School Newsletter 27/04/22

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am not sure about you, but I am finding it hard to believe we have just started the Summer term!

As I have shared in previous newsletters, it has been a challenging school year, especially in regards staff absences. Unfortunately, we continue to have some members of staff who are unwell and not in school. We are keeping in regular contact with them and they hope to be back with us soon.

We are only one week into the new term and already Year 1 have had a trip to the 'DIS Seaside' including enjoying an ice-cream, Year 2 have been 'walking the plank' on their pirate day, all Y1 and Y2 classes have met a Marine Biologist and EYFS are super excited about their trip to the zoo on Thursday. We are glad it is going to be a 3-day weekend this week, I think everyone is going to be exhausted!

As we move through this term, we will start our transition work to prepare the children for their next year group. We are also planning some exciting parental engagement opportunities, so watch out for your invites to come into school soon!

Thank you for your support

Take care

Mrs Waters

HEALTH AND SAFETY REMINDERS

Please ensure you observe the following Health and Safety rules:

- Vehicles All exit and entry routes must be kept clear at all times.
- Parents <u>must not</u> use the school car park for dropping off/collecting their child. The Methodist Church committee have kindly agreed that we can use their carpark at the beginning and end of the school day. However, they ask all car owners to be respectful and not to park on the grass.
- If you park on one of the roads close to school, please ensure you are respectful to our neighbours. You should not park across driveways or block people in.
- Bicycles and scooters must not be ridden by either adults or children within the school premises. The
 bicycle storage shelter is provided for Infant children's bikes/scooters ONLY. These must be secured
 with a lock and are left at your own risk. The bike racks at the front of the school are for parent and
 visitors' bicycles.
- The school site is, **by Law**, non-smoking. Please extinguish cigarettes before coming onto the school grounds and please do not use any electronic cigarettes whilst on site.
- Dogs are not allowed on the school grounds. Eddie has special permission from the Governors!

It is the responsibility of parents/carers to supervise all of their children before and after school and ensure they are showing respect towards others and also towards school property.

Eid Celebrations

We understand that the Eid celebrations are most likely to be on the May Bank Holiday (2nd May). If you plan to celebrate Eid on a different day, then you will be required to complete a leave of absence form available from the rack in the main foyer. This must be done BEFORE the leave is taken.

Tri Reading Tournament!

Don't forget to support your child to read at home at least 3 times a week! The class with highest number of home readers at the end of Summer 1 will win a trophy and mystery prize!

Staff Update

We will be saying 'goodbye' to Mrs Cawston at the end of this week. Mrs Cawston has worked at our school for over 5 years and has supported and taught children across all three year groups. Mrs Cawston will be starting a new adventure at another Peterborough school.

Good luck Mrs Cawston, we will miss you lots!

Year 2 / Year 3 Transfer September 2022

A reminder to all Year 2 parents that you must accept your Year 3 place at your chosen school by 3rd May or the offer will be removed and you could be without a school place for September.