

A Message from Mrs Waters

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am sure, like the children and staff, you are all looking forward to the holiday. Whilst it has been a short half-term, it has been incredibly busy with World Book Day, Mother's Day, dressing up as pirates in EYFS and travelling back in time to look at castles in Years 1 and 2! We have worked hard to create lots of precious memories for our little stars to treasure.

The half-term has been tinged with sadness as we said 'goodbye' to Mrs Barnes, a retired teacher, who sadly passed away. Thank you to all those who attended our special 'Time to Remember' on Tuesday and for all the kind words you have shared with us.

As we look forward to the Summer term, we will see a few changes. Mr Leggett will be working hard over the holiday to create a new 'Kitchen Garden' which Miss Gattuso will tell you all about soon! Miss Stamper will be taking on a new role as our Family Wellbeing Champion but, don't worry Year 1, Miss Stamper will still work with you on some days too.

Whether you are going away or staying at home, we wish you all a lovely Easter break. Take time to relax and have fun together!

Take care of yourselves and of each other.

Mrs Waters & the DIS Team



Term Dates 2023/2024

School Closes 3.15pm, Thursday 28th March

Summer Term 2024

School opens at 8.45am on Monday 15th April.

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 6th May - School closed

Summer Half-term Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

School closes at 3.15pm on Friday 19th July for the Summer break

Term dates for 2024/2025 can be found on our website www.dogsthorpeinfants.co.uk

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 or click on the link on our school website www.dogsthorpeinfants.co.uk

Reading Survey

We were delighted to have 100 replies to our survey, thank you to everyone who completed this and for your positive feedback. Some of you asked about how much your child is reading at school. We have now introduced new stamps so you can see how many times your child is reading either individually, in a group or as part of the whole class guided reading. We have been doing lots of reading all year, we just needed to improve our communication so that you know too!

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.

Easter holiday activities!

You will receive a 'Comet' today which details some learning activities you can do with your child over the holiday period. Check out Class Dojos and the website for further ideas! One of the best things you can do is spend time enjoying lots of lovely stories together...keep reading!