

A Message from Mrs Waters

Welcome to SPRING 2!

We hope you all enjoyed a lovely half-term break.

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

Spring 2 is set to be a very short, but busy time for us all! Year 1 and Year 2 have had a fantastic Sparkly Start to launch their 'Time Travellers' topic. Whilst Year 2 learnt how to make a bow and arrow in Forest Schools, Year 1 have had bread making workshops with our wonderful Cucina catering team. I know EYFS are excited about dressing up as Pirates tomorrow for their special day!

We are looking forward to celebrating 'World Book Day' next Thursday and welcoming lots of you to Book Buzz and our Mother's Day Shine Time.

Thanks for your support, take good care
Mrs Waters

Forward Planning - Dates for your diary

World Book Day - 'Snuggle up for a story' day!

Thursday 7th March - please see next page for details.

Mother's Day Shine Time

Thursday 7th March 2.40pm - details already sent.

Comic Relief Day

Friday 15th March - staff & children 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 or donate online via our just giving page

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/dogsthorpeinfantschool2024?newPage=true>

Term Dates

School closes at 3.15pm on Thursday 28th March and reopens at 8.45am on Monday 15th April.

STAFFING UPDATES!

A few reminders from the last newsletter...

- Mrs Marshall-Sully has changed her working pattern and will be in school on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays ONLY.**
- We continue to have a vacancy for a Family Well Being Champion in the meantime if you need support please speak to a member of the safeguarding team:-
 - Mrs Waters
 - Miss Gattuso
 - Mrs Marshall-Sully
 - Mrs Gardner
- Mrs Marriott, from the Admin Team, left at the end of Spring 1 due to a house

Peterborough City Council Parent Survey 2024

Peterborough City Council would like your help to understand your childcare needs for primary school aged children by completing the parent survey by 31st March 2024:

<http://tinyurl.com/Wraparound2024>

Dogsthorpe Den Childcare Provision

The Dogsthorpe Den, before & after school childcare facility, is reopening to Dogsthorpe Infant children with effect from Monday 4th March.

To register your child please follow this link:-

<https://www.dogsthorpeacademy.org/page/?title=The+Dogsthorpe+Den+%2D+Before+and+After+school+Care+Clubs&pid=42>

World Book Day is on...Thursday 7th March 2024
Snuggle up with a good book!



To celebrate WORLD BOOK DAY, we are focusing on how reading can help our mental health and wellbeing as it helps us to us relax, especially when we share a book with a special friend or family member. During the day we will be enjoying different stories and poems and talking about our favourite books. You have already been sent a letter about our BOOK BUZZ and Mother's Day Shine time too 😊.

To make this day even more relaxing we are asking the children to come **dressed in their pyjamas!** **If your child has PE on Thursday, this will still go ahead so please ensure they come in pyjamas that will be suitable for indoor gym/outdoor games and they will need to wear trainers.**

Not only will we have lots of stories on World Book Day, but we will also make story times during the week extra special too!

Please watch out for the activities each year group will be adding to Class Dojo during the week and try to spend some time enjoying books with your child.

We look forward to celebrating books with you at BOOK BUZZ!



Parent Reading Survey

Thank you to everyone who completed our Reading Survey during parents evenings. If you did not attend or did not have the opportunity to complete the survey, then please do so. Your views are very important to us.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=vx_5TY9jOESJgmMK34gHUVv-2XmD-2ZMm1bkbo9keqtUQzg2NzKxQOMzUTNINko1V1ZM0VFJNEJFMS4u

Dogsthorpe Infant School.
Parent/Carer reading Survey, Feb
2024



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, Mrs Hibbert 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

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.