



Dear Parents/Carers,

#### WELCOME TO 2020!

We hope you have all had a wonderful break and enjoyed spending family time together. Christmas seems such a long time ago already! On behalf of all the staff, I would like to say a big **THANK YOU** for all the cards and gifts we received for Christmas; we really do appreciate your kindness.

As I am sure many of you know, Dogsthorpe Academy have had to close this week due to ongoing repairs to their heating and power supplies. Unfortunately, this was caused by a fire in one of the underground cavities. Fortunately, the quick thinking of the Site Management teams of both schools meant that the fire was dealt with quickly and did not spread across the two schools. We have been very fortunate as we did not lose our power supply and our heating was able to be repaired during the holiday.

Don't forget to keep yourself updated with what's going on in school by reading the year group newsletters and weekly Comets. Our website ([www.dogsthorpeinfants.co.uk](http://www.dogsthorpeinfants.co.uk)) and Twitter feed (@DogsthorpeInf) also provide you with a wealth of information including photos and home learning ideas!

With very best wishes

*Mrs Waters*

#### Forward Planning!

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January** - Tempest Photography will be in school to take Class Photographs. Please ensure your child is wearing correct school uniform.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January** - Our School Nurse will be in school from 9.15am to speak to parents about any general health concerns/worries you may have regarding your child. Please contact the school office if you would like to speak with the nurse so a slot can be booked for you. Your talk with the nurse will be in a confidential area.

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January** – Attendance Shine Time, 9.05am in the school hall. All families welcome. **You will be notified if your child is receiving a certificate.**

<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Seacole Parent Lunch – further details to follow
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Cavell Parent Lunch – further details to follow
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Nightingale Parent Lunch – further details to follow

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February** – Safer Internet Day – further details to follow.

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February** – After school 'Year of Reading' event – details to follow

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February** – Shooting Stars Shine Time, 9.05am in the school hall. All families welcome. You will be notified if your child is receiving a certificate.

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February** – Valentine's Lunch – **FREE** for all pupils.

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February** – Valentines Disco for DIS children only 4.30pm – 6.00pm – further details to follow.

**Half-term** – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February.

#### Foodbank Donations

The services of our local foodbanks have been in high demand over the Christmas period. This half-term we will be holding a collection for our local foodbank to help replenish stocks. Items that can be accepted are:

- Tins of: meat, vegetables, fruit, rice pudding,
- Pasta & pasta sauces, noodles, instant mash, rice
- Biscuits/cake
- Tea/coffee/sugar
- Long life milk or juice, Squash & pop
- Cereals
- Crisps/sweets/chocolate
- Toiletries including sanitary products, toothpaste, toilet roll, soap, hand gel

**Please bring to the school office by  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February**

#### PE Kit Reminder

Please ensure your child brings their PE kit in on a Monday and leaves in school until Friday. We are having professional sports coaches in again this term to deliver lessons. Once a week PE will also be outside so please ensure that your child has suitable footwear & clothing for this i.e. tracksuit, sweatshirt, jumper etc.

#### Spring Term After School Clubs

Spring Term after school clubs will start week commencing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January – confirmation letters will be sent out this week.

#### Christmas Card Recycling Reminder

Don't forget we are recycling Christmas Cards in order to achieve points towards our Woodland Trust Bronze award. Children can put their cards in the recycling box in the middle corridor. The collection will close on Friday 17<sup>th</sup>

# Fridays are BOOK BUZZ days!



Please stay and read with your child  
from 8:50-9:10am on the designated day:

Jan 24<sup>th</sup> - HILLARY class &  
ARMSTRONG class

Jan 31<sup>st</sup> - ATTENBOROUGH class &  
COLUMBUS class

Feb 7<sup>th</sup> - NIGHTINGALE class

Feb 28<sup>th</sup> SEACOLE class

March 13<sup>th</sup> - CAVELL class

March 27<sup>th</sup> - ROSEN class, INKPEN class &  
DONALDSON class

THE CLASS IN EACH YEAR GROUP WITH THE  
MOST PARENTS/CARERS ATTENDING BOOK  
BUZZ WILL WIN A PRIZE!!!

Help your child's class win this prize by  
joining them on their BOOK BUZZ day.



Autumn Term Winners were:-

Year 2 - Attenborough Class 14  
parents/Carers

Year 1 - Nightingale Class 18 parents/Carers

EYFS - Donaldson Class 23 parents/Carers

Who will be the Spring Term Winners?