





<u>April 2023</u> HEAD TEACHER'S EASTER MESSAGE

It hardly seems a minute since Christmas. This term started brilliantly with Young Voices – some of us are still singing.

A huge downfall of snow in some areas of Leicestershire gave you a chance to dust of sledges and make snowmen. Thank you for your support when an number of staff were unable to travel to school due to road closures.

Class 1 entertained and wowed us today with their learning about space. A huge thank you to both staff and pupils.

I wish you all a sunny and peaceful Easter break.

Mrs Ward

Essential Information

School Meals

Currently our school meals are provided by the local authority. Over the last year, due to their costs, the service has been reduced and the quality of the food provided has been less than good at times. This is evident in the waste each day and the poor take-up of meals.

We are planning to move to a new provider in September. For the summer term, we will be offering sandwiches only for pupils entitled to a meal or wishing to order one. This will enable us to enjoy the weather and picnic together. The sandwiches will be served with salad or crudité and a yogurt or fruit. Please contact us if this is a problem for you.

A menu will be sent out later today.

Safeguarding

<u>Please see the updated information on the website about how we</u> work together to keep our children safe.

All staff are trained and training is updated termly.

Trips, Visit and Visitors

Thank you for your support. The cost of trips and visits has risen substantially and we are very mindful of this when booking events. Next half term we are hoping to take year 2 to 'The Black Country Museum'.

One of our favourite events is now live again: Orchestra Unwrapped. Year 2 to 6 will be travelling to De Montfort Hall to take part in this concert.

Year 5 and 6 will enjoy their residential next term and plans are being made for class 1 and class 3 summer trips and visitors.

Back to School: Monday 17th April

May bank holiday: Monday 1st May

Coronation Bank Holiday: Monday 8th Max

SATS Year 6: Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th May

General Information

Pupil Leaders

Schools Council Thank you for supporting our Easter competition. The winners are: Class 1: Seth and Esben Class 2: Bodhi and Ollie Class 3: Parker and Mariade Class 4: Leyla

PFA

Thank you for supporting our PFA events this term. Our parent team work really hard behind the scenes to support all of our children – they are awesome.

Parent Super-Hero

Mr Neil Featherstone and Ben have competed in the Ashby 20 and Ashby mini-20 to raise funds for our school. You can donate via <u>JustGiving.com</u> – search for **nfeatherstone**

Current donations stand at £500! Thank you very much.

Clubs / Early Bird Update

For the first half of the summer term we will be running late stay club and Gym club.

Other clubs will resume after half term if staffing allows. If you need a place on late stay please contact the office.

STOP PRESS!

Thank you to:

- Forest School helpers: Mitzi M.
- Swimming helpers: Evelyn S.
- Reading volunteers: Wendy P, Jane T.
- Parent volunteers: Cathy O, Diane M, Evelyn S, Carrie-Anne R, Jennifer C
- Simon Chandler
- Open the Book, Reverend Rick and Mrs Booton
- Mr Steve Oakley for his service as a school governor.
- James Dodds
- Tim McCaskie
- Our fantastic team of Cross Country helpers

New starters

We have a few places for pupils to start in September 23. If anyone you know still needs a place or does not get their first choice school please ask them to contact us after the holiday.

For those with older pupils moving in to the area we have some space in other year groups due to the low birth rate recently.

Polite Reminders

Your child should be ready to go into school by 8.43am. The gate is shut at 8.45am and children entering via the front door are late.

Where pupils are regularly late we have to contact the educational welfare officer.

School uniform does not include jewelry.

School PE kit should be worn on PE days.

