

Wisdom Courage Respect



# Newsletter 11 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and members of our school community,

I hope you all enjoyed a restful half-term break. It seemed to go by so quickly. The children have come back refreshed and enthusiastic for the term ahead. We are all enjoying the lighter mornings and evenings and it's great to see the daffodils and spring blossom - a sign of warmer times ahead. The playground and field are currently still very wet and the ground is saturated from the periods of heavy rain. Please ensure children bring a change of shoes for break times if they wish to go onto the field.

#### **Collective Worship**

Our new theme in Worship is Justice. We will be looking at what justice means in different contexts and how it relates to our school values of wisdom, courage and respect. We will also be learning about Ramadan and look forward to welcoming our regular visitors into worship on Thursdays too.

Our school community are proud to sponsor Trinity, a child in Africa, to attend school. We have received a thank you letter and photograph from Trinity this week which has been shared with all the children during collective worship this week. Trinity expressed gratitude for her school fees, books, pens, uniform and shoes. She is doing well in school and had a lovely Christmas with her family.

#### **Staff Clubs**

We are pleased to be able to offer staff clubs and these start again next week. We are so grateful to the staff who are giving up their time to work with children in all sorts of enrichment activities including sporting activities, lego and a brand-new club for service children. The librarians will be reopening the library on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays after school again from next week.

## **PTFA Update**

The PTFA committee have lots planned for this half term. A Mother's Day gift shop will be available on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March in the Y5/6 foyer with all gifts £3. Easter events will be happening after school on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. This day will be a non-uniform day and we are asking children to bring in an Easter chocolate donation please. There will also be a Spring/Easter themed cake decorating competition on this day. Further details will follow from the PTFA.

#### **World Book Day**

We are starting to get excited for World Book Day on 7<sup>th</sup> March. Children are invited to dress up as book characters (or wear non-school uniform). We are loving seeing all the amazing examples of 'extreme reading' for our sponsored event too. Remember to bring in sponsorship and accompanying posters from 7<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **Wizard of Oz Theatre Event**

On 5<sup>th</sup> March, we are looking forward to welcoming M and M Theatre Company to school for a production of the Wizard of Oz. This is for all year groups and will be followed by a workshop for children in Year 5. We are requesting a voluntary donation of approximately £5 per child. Mr Kidd will be in touch with further details soon.

#### **Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings**

Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings will take place on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> March. Further details will follow soon and parents/carers will be able to sign up for appointments in the usual way. This will be a useful opportunity to receive an update on your child's progress in school and their next steps. We encourage all parents to attend and ask that you speak to your child's class teacher if you are not available on these dates.

#### Road Safety

As you will know, we are always looking for ways to remind the school community about the importance of being safe on and near our roads, especially during the busy times at school drop-off and pick up. We ask everyone to travel safely and park carefully, with consideration of other road users and local residents. Please find Orla's winning poster from the JRSO competition below to support us with helping keep our children safe on the roads. We will be sharing the other two winning posters over the coming weeks. Well done, Orla!

# **Achievements out of School**

We are keen to share children's achievements out of school and would like to give children the opportunity to celebrate these successes during our Friday Celebration Worship. If children achieve a milestone in their out of school activities (E.G. swimming, gymnastics, music lessons) please share with your child's class teacher. They can then bring any certificates/medals for the next Celebration Worship for their Key Stage.

Best wishes,

# Mrs Lucy Jackson, Headteacher

#### Naming items

Please ensure all items coming into school are clearly named. This helps us return items to the correct owner quickly if they get misplaced. As we move into the colder months, this will include hats, scarves and gloves  $\bigcirc$ .



# Safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone.

If you believe that a child may be a victim of neglect, abuse or cruelty call Children's safeguarding -01522 782111 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm). This is Lincolnshire Children's Services who will take the information and log any details you wish to share.





#### BE PREPARED

Treat aches and pains, coughs and colds at home Stock up your medicine cabinet including pain killers, antihistamines anti-diarrhoea and indigestion medicin

Order repeat prescriptions in plenty of time.

Keep all medication, plasters, bandages and thermometers away from children.



A visit to the pharmacy could save you a trip to the GP. If you forget your medication while away from home call your usual registered GP surgery during opening hours and they can arrange for a prescription to be sent electronically to a pharmacy local to where you are staying.



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#### MINOR ILLNESS OR INJURIES



If you take ill while away from home contact your registered practice in the first instance where you can be offered a telephone or video consultation. If your practice or NHS 111 say it is necessary to be seen at a GP Practice you can register for up to 14 days while away from home or work.

Your temporary GP will pass any details of treatment you have to your own GP. If you are staying for a longer period of time you should still ring your usual registered practice in the first instance and receive telephone or video consultation as a first step.



# **Key Dates for Spring Term 2**

# Week beginning 26th February

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> – Stay Safe Partnership visits for Y4 and Y6.

# Week beginning 4th March

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> – Wizard of OZ theatre experience and Mother's Day shop Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> – World Book Day Friday 8th – Mother's Day shop

# Week beginning 11th March

Science Week

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Comic Relief (non-uniform)

# Week beginning 18th March

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Parent/Carer Consultation **Evening** 

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Parent/Carer Consultation **Evening** 

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – PTFA Non-uniform day, Easter events after school and cake competition.

# Week beginning 25th March

Easter Enrichment Week Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Last Day of Term

#### **Easter Break**

Friday 29th January to Monday 15th April inclusive

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April - First day of the Summer Term

Term dates can be found here -School term times – Lincolnshire County Council

#### Parking

We ask all members of our school community to park with care and respect for our children and other road users.

# Rule 243 of the Highway Code

This rule in the Highway Code makes it very clear that we must not park near a school entrance, anywhere that would prevent access for the Emergency Services or on a bend. Please take care and make sure you follow the Highway Code.

## Park and Stride

The car parks at the playing field and social club are available for use for any parents to 'park and stride' each day. This may help with congestion and therefore help keep our children as safe as possible.

