



Discovery Primary Academy



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Messages from the Headteacher

Dear Parent/ Carers,

Welcome To Our New Foundation Stage

It has been lovely to welcome our new Foundation Stage Children and parents to Discovery Primary Academy. All the children have had a lovely few days meeting everyone in school and even having their first wonderful school dinner. We are looking forward to you all joining us next week full time.

PE and Performing Arts

The children have been fully engaged this week in PE and Performing Arts. The children from year 1 to year 6 are all having two PE lessons, both outside, and a Performing Arts lesson which is in the Community Centre.

These lessons are being taught by experienced staff who are part of the 4C's Multi Academy Trust. They are Mr Nuzzo, Mr Fountain, Mr Gordon and Miss Charlie. We welcome them all to Discovery Primary Academy.

Discover

Performing Arts will be taking place in either our music room in school or the Community Centre next door to school. We are very lucky to be able to use this facility and we would like to thank the Community Centre for allowing us to use the hall this year.

Homework

The children will be coming home with reading books and spellings over the next week. Other homework such as Maths and English will not start until October. This gives everyone an opportunity to settle into school before we ask for homework to be completed and handed in.

PE KIT

Thank you to all the parents that have made sure the children have the correct PE kit. PE is either on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. Can we suggest that the PE kit comes in by Tuesday and goes home to be washed on Friday. The children will be outside so they will need trainers. Please if you have not bought any trainers yet please don't worry. Send their trainers from home in and they can use these for now. Thank you.

Achieve

Gates

The gates open at 8.20 each morning. The school doors open at 8.30am. Please can you make sure your child/children are here for 8.30 am and they are not late. The children need to be here to learn but also their lessons including PE start straight away in the morning.

Assemblies

Our assemblies have now changed because of our new PE and Performing Arts curriculum. Celebration Assemblies will be on a Friday at the end of the day. There will only be celebration assemblies, with no further class assemblies taking place. Please don't think you are missing seeing your children's work. There will be plenty of opportunities during the year to look at your children's work.



Polite Parents

I am really sorry to tell you that we have already had some parents who have spoken to staff including office staff impolitely. As you are aware we expect all staff and children to treat each other with respect especially when we speak. Can we request that all parents do exactly the same. Thank you.

Memory Walk

As part of our efforts to raise awareness of dementia we are inviting schools in Peterborough to take part in our Memory Walk for Schools campaign.

Please check out the link below, "Your Walk, Your Way", which details how you can support by walking your own route in your own time.

<https://www.memorywalk.org.uk/schools/>

If you require any more information that is not available on the website please do not hesitate to contact us.

Tel: 01733 893853

Alzheimer's Society, Peterborough



Guitar Lessons



If your child would be interested in taking guitar lessons this year, please head to the office to collect a form!

Mr McGurk is now offering group lessons, paired lessons and individual lessons.

A message from Rev Mark

To all our friends at Discovery School,

I am writing to you to let you know that the congregation of All Saints Church, serving the areas of Paston, Walton and Gunthorpe, will be remembering you in their prayers on Sunday the 16th of September.

The fellowship of All Saints Church is very thankful for all that you do to serve the people of our communities as a valued school in our parish. As an expression of our thanks we as a church felt that we wanted to remember you especially in our prayers and to write to you therefore to let you know that this Sunday we are praying for the Lord's blessing on all you do at both our 8am and 10am morning services.

If you would like us to pray for anything specific on that Sunday for you then please let me know.

Break time

We are now selling fresh fruit for 20p at break times instead of toast. If you would like your child to purchase any fresh fruit, please send them in with 20p in a sealed envelope.

European Day of Languages 24th September - 28th

How multilingual is your classroom?

Children will complete a range of activities to explore languages spoken at Discovery Primary Academy.

Please go to the following link for more information!

<https://edl.ecml.at/>

Parents corner

We have now changed over to Pupil Asset from Parent Pay.

Please do not add any money onto your Parent Pay accounts. All dinners, trips and emails will now be via Pupil Asset. If you have not yet registered, you will need to download the 'Pupil Asset Parent' app on your phone and register on there.

Please can we be aware that being set up on Pupil Asset means you will pay for your children's dinners online.

This will then be easier for yourself to control your account. Any cash that is brought in the office will mean your debt will continue to show until your cash has been banked.

Choir

We were very pleased with the fantastic turn out for the Discovery Choir on Wednesday after school this week. We have made the decision to separate the choir into key stage 1 and 2. In previous years the choir has only been available for key stage 2 students and we think it would be beneficial for all the singers if the following takes place:

Year 1 and 2 choir will take place on Thursday lunchtimes with Mrs Armstrong. This will start on Thursday 27th September.

Dates to remember

Parents evening 6th and 8th November
Christmas Disco Thursday 6th December.
Year 4 Christmas performance 13th December.
Foundation Stage performance – TBC.
Year 2 Christmas Play - TBC

