

Discovery Primary Academy



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Messages from the Headteacher

Dear Parent/ Carers,

Wow another exciting week at Discovery Primary Academy.

On Monday the children in school had a wonderful afternoon. They were able to listen and join in with a visiting Yamaha playing group of musicians. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and joined in with lots of the songs that were played.

On the same day the children did come home with a letter about learning to play the keyboard. If anyone is interested then please return the letter to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

Homework

All the children should bring homework home this week. To help the children and parents with homework we do run homework clubs after school and at lunchtime. There is a club on Tuesday after school for years 4, 5 and 6. Letters have gone home about this club. Another club is on a Wednesday lunchtime for years 2, 3 and 4. After half term there will be an additional lunchtime homework club for years 5 and 6. I would just like to thank all those staff that run these clubs for the children.

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A Maths Visit

We have had a visitor this week in school who has been working in each classroom looking at the new way we are approaching the teaching of maths. Our visitor was very impressed with the behaviour of the children and how hard they were all working. Well done everyone. Keep it up especially in maths.

Maths No Problem

Since September the children have been using a maths program called, Maths No Problem. It is a very practical scheme that helps children all the way through school to understand and use maths in everyday life. The children and staff all love the program as it helps everybody really enjoy maths lessons.

Lunch Menu

We have had a fantastic week with our **new** lunch menu with lots of exciting healthy treats for the children to enjoy eating with their friends. If your child is not yet having a school dinner, why not just let them try their favourite meal on the menu and then take it from there? The roast dinner is always a popular one to start with.

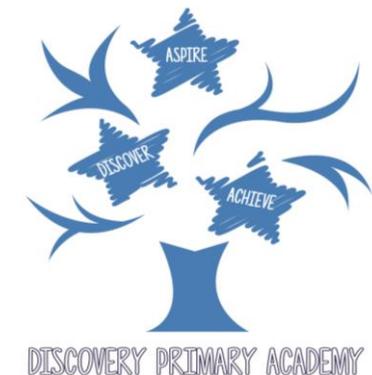
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Winter Coats, Hats and Gloves

The weather is unpredictable at the moment. One minute it is warm and the next minute it is cold! Could all children please bring in coats, hats and gloves so they can still go outside if it is wet or cold. Could all items of clothing be named.
Thank you.

Logo Winner

We announced our Academy logo winner this week in assembly. **Alina** from year 6 was the winner.
Thank you for your inspiring design.



Be a Buddy Not a Bully

Last year The School Council with the help of the whole school created a poster which helps everyone to be a buddy and not a bully. These posters will be going up next week all around school. I am sure when you see one you will agree with the ideas all the children have come up with.



Baby Boy

We are delighted to inform you that Mrs Cook had a baby boy on Monday. Jude William Cook. Everybody is doing very well and enjoying their time together as a family.



Dates to remember

- Parents evening: 6th and 8th November
- Christmas Disco: Thursday 6th December.
- Year 4 Christmas performance: 13th December.
- Foundation Stage performance: Friday 14th December, Christmas craft and sing-a-long.
- Year 2 Christmas Play: Friday 7th December 1:30pm and Monday 10th December 1:30pm.
- Christmas Parties: 18th December
- Year 5 and 6 Christmas Service: 13th December



Competition time!

The Discovery Bank

In preparation for the grand opening of the bank in January, we would like to celebrate our multiculturalism within the school and have money from different countries displayed around the bank. If you have any **small** currencies (notes or coins) from either countries that you have visited or from your home country, that you would be willing to give to the school, we would be very grateful. Please could any money be kindly given to either your class teacher or to the school office.

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CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES is 23rd November 2018.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

Parent's corner

Choir

Please can we remind parent's that the KS2 choir on a Wednesday after school now finishes at 4pm.



Drop and Go



The Drop and Go system to relieve the parking issues around school has proved to be very successful and on the whole, it is working well. Please can I remind you that if you use this in the mornings, it is a 'Drop and Go' not a 'Park and Wait' area. We are having a few parents who are parking and when asked to move on, are not doing so. We have also had a couple of incidents of parents being rude to the staff policing this area.

We ask that anyone using this system pulls in, drops their child/children off and then leaves so there is a constant flow of cars coming and going to stop it becoming too congested. We understand that mornings can be a challenging time for busy parent's however we would politely request that you treat staff with respect.

Queen Katherine Academy has been kind enough to allow us to use the area so we do need to respect the rules.

Thank you.