



# Discovery Primary Academy



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## Aspire

### Messages from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/ Carers,

#### New Academy Uniform

A little while ago when we knew we were going to become an academy, I mentioned in a newsletter that there would be very little change to our existing school. I stated that Discovery Primary Academy would be very similar to Discovery Primary School. I went onto mention that we would not change our uniform or the school logo, for example.

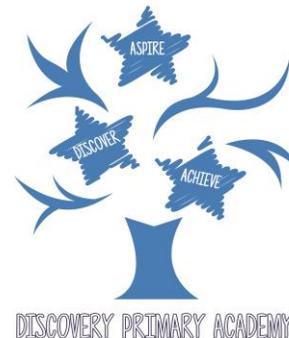
However, as our staff discussed becoming an academy, we began to reflect on the additional things we wanted to improve for **all** our children. We felt that the school statement needed to be updated so it reflected the current aims of our school. Therefore, all the staff worked together to capture our new aims in three words. In doing so, we still retained part of our old school statement by incorporating the word discover into our new statement. Our new statement is,

**Aspire, Discover, Achieve.**

## Discover

I am sure you will agree that is exactly what we all want for **all** our children.

We then decided to invite the children to become part of the new academy by setting them a challenge. We asked them to design a new school logo to go with our aims. All the children excitedly took part and we now have a fantastic academy logo.



It was felt at this stage that a new aim and logo really required a new uniform. Several of the staff felt that the new Queen Katherine uniform looked smart. Therefore, we began to explore the possibilities of a new uniform that was similar in style and at the same time would help all the children prepare for secondary school.

## Achieve

As we had decided to change our uniform, it was also decided that each child would be provided with a **free** set of items that had the school logo on or were special to our Academy. This will help everyone to look the same at the same time and will also help to celebrate becoming part of the 4c's MAT.

Therefore, I am delighted to state that just before Christmas we will be contacting you to collect the new Academy uniform. If you are in Key Stage 1 this will include a polo shirt, a sweatshirt, a book bag and a PE bag.

If your child is in Key Stage 2, this will include a v-neck jumper, a tie, a book bag and a PE bag.

The remaining items of uniform can be purchased at a variety of stores such as Asda, Sainsburys and M&S. For example Asda has a pack of 2 light blue school shirts for £3.50 as well as grey trousers and skirts from £3.50. We would like the children to wear black or white socks or black tights. Many of you will already have some of these items.

We would also encourage the children to wear black school shoes that will enable them to play safety outside but also look very smart.

We will be displaying the new uniform shortly in the entrance area. For those of us who are keen to know, we have included some photographs of something similar to our uniform in this newsletter.

## Photographs



I am sure everyone will agree all the children will look very smart.

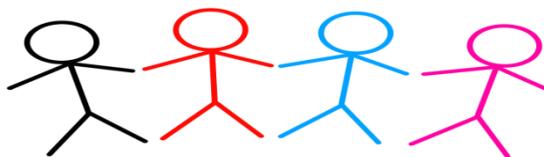
## Social Media

Attached to this newsletter is a letter about the use of social media. Could we request that everybody reads the letter and abides by the contents.

Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

## Website

The school website will be updated over the next few months. Please bear with us until this process is complete. Thank you.



## 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.



## Dates to remember

Parents evening: 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> November  
Christmas Disco: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

Year 4 Christmas performance: 13<sup>th</sup> December.

Foundation Stage: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas craft and sing-a-long.

Year 2 Christmas Play: Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December 1:30pm and Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December 1:30pm.

Christmas Parties: 18<sup>th</sup> December

Year 5 and 6 Christmas Service: 13<sup>th</sup> December



# Parent's corner



## Choir

Please can we remind parents that the KS2 choir, on a Wednesday after school, now finishes at 4pm. Children are still being collected late.

## Pupil Asset

Pupil Asset are still having problems with their mobile phone apps. We can see for this is working for some of you as we have received online payments.

If you are unable to use the app, please bring cash into the office to pay for meals and events/trip, until this issue is resolved.

Thank you.

## Sizing Day

We have the new school uniform sizing day on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October. This has been organised by a professional uniform company.

No parents will need to attend.

