



Discovery Primary Academy



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Messages from the Headteacher

Reading

Lots of children are now reading 5 times a week. In year 6, 96% of all children are reading 5 times a week. Fantastic! Well done Year 1, an amazing 72% of you are reading 5 times a week. Year 4 well done with an amazing 82%. Year 2, 3 and 5 you have some catching up to do!

As everyone is trying very hard with reading we are going to introduce a new trophy for year 1 and year 2 classes to compete for. We are planning to award this next week so year 1 and 2 be ready as each class is now competing against each other for a reading trophy.

Thank you to all those parents who are helping by reading at home.

Discovery Shop

Lots of children have been having a fantastic time spending their Discovery discs at the Discovery Shop. This has included buying pencils, rubbers and spinners. The children can also save their discs to buy a game or a book for example. Fun, fun, fun. Keep trying in lessons, show respect and kindness and you will get more discs.

Newspaper

We are in the Peterborough Evening Telegraph this week celebrating becoming part of the Four C's Multi Academy Trust. Don't we look smart!

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Parents Evening

Parents evening is Tuesday 5th March and Thursday 7th March, 3.30pm until 6.30pm. Due to training Mrs Kennedy, Mrs Matthews, Mr Gordon, Mrs Ward and Mrs Nightingale, will be holding their parents evenings on Tuesday 5th March and Wednesday 6th March. Letters have gone home this week.

Individual School Photos



On the 27th February we will be having individual school photos. The photographer will be in school in the morning. We ask that children come in their new school uniform and look very smart. We hope to get through the photos swiftly and that will avoid any accidental mess to their uniforms with lunch. Please feel free for your child to bring in a hair brush for the day. Please remind them it is their responsibility to look after. Sibling photos will take place first thing, more information will follow next week. Thank You

Achieve

Esafety weekly tips

“Safer Internet Day (SID) 2019 - 5th February

This week, children have been learning about internet safety as part of Safer Internet Day 2019. They have looked at general internet safety issues and focused on this year's key SID issue: consent.

Children have learnt about how their personal information is collected by websites, apps and games that they use - sometimes without their explicit consent.

They have looked at how this data is used to create a personal profile and how this profile is then used to target advertising.

Children have been advised to look at the websites, apps and games they use carefully and check that they know what information they have shared online and what that information could be used for.

We would suggest that parents and carers have a conversation with their children about how their personal information is used and how they can check their settings to maintain their security.”



Head lice

There have been cases of head lice in the school. Can we ask that you check your child's hair as soon as possible please?

In order to prevent head lice outbreaks, we would ask that long hair is kept tied back during school. Please continue to check and treat as we have had new cases.

Thank you

Polo shirt orders

If you have placed an order for polo shirts, we have been advised that there is a slight delay due to the courier service but as soon as they arrive we will contact by phone to arrange pick up.

Thank you

Woodwind club

Unfortunately due to staff illness the woodwind club has been cancelled until after February half term. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Uniform

Just a reminder to all parents/ carers, please can you make sure you are labelling all items of your children's uniform with iron/ sewing labels or by using a permanent ink pen. If any are lost we are unable to replace them.

Thank You

Uniform Offer Ending

We are running a polo shirt offer of buy one, get one free. This allows you to buy two polo shirts for £6. If you would like to take advantage of this offer, please visit the school office with your child's size and the payment. **This offer finishes on Friday 15th February so please hurry!!**

Thank You

Eco packaging lunches



As part of our school Eco policy we would like to encourage parents to eliminate packed lunch packaging as far as possible, as we work towards reducing our waste. We would also ask that when it is necessary for plastic bags to be used, that these are reusable.

Thank you for supporting us with this.

Lunch account reminders

As part of a Multi Academy Trust, we are not authorised to offer credit. All students will need to have credit on their account before they order a school meal. Students with outstanding debt on the account will not receive any meals until the balance is clear. As we have a waiting list for breakfast club, children who attend will need to be in credit to secure their place.

Wake Up and Read



It was so lovely to see so many children and parents at Wake Up and Read this week. If you would like to join us, to share a book with your child, you are very welcome. Please enter school through the main entrance from 8am onwards each Wednesday. Wake Up and Read takes place in the KS1 hall. We are happy for preschool children to come too if they can sit with you during the session. At 8.25, we will ask parents to leave school through the main entrance before the children go to their classrooms for the start of the school day. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Lunchtime Reading

Every lunchtime, children are welcome to read in the atrium. We are delighted that over eighty Year 5 and 6 children have volunteered to become Reading Mentors. The younger children have thoroughly enjoyed reading to the older children. They have made a great start this week and are being such wonderful role models. We want to say a huge thank you to them all.