



# March 2023

## March Already!

This term has set off at a brisk pace following a busy end to February, with a lot of positive learning taking place throughout the academy. We are already looking forward to all the exciting learning opportunities planned for pupils as we head towards Easter!

As always, keep an eye on our academy Facebook page for photographs of learning in action.

## Red Nose Day

Our School Council have been busy organising some fun activities for our pupils for Read Nose Day. All pupils are invited to come in to school on Friday 17th March in non



-uniform and wear some red if they want to!

Please help us raise money for Comic Relief by donating whatever you can online here

# Reading

The teaching staff have asked me to thank you on their behalf for your continued support in reading with your children. They have been able to see excellent progress in those children who regularly read at home and have been so pleased with the impact that this has had.

Thank you.

# **DIARY DATES**

## **MARCH**

2nd World Book Day

3rd Year 2 Sports Event at NK

7th KS2 SATs Meeting for Y6 Parents - 3.45

14th KS1 SATs Meeting for Y2 Parents

15th- 17th Year 6 Residential

16th Year 1 visit Lincoln Cathedral

17th Red Nose Day

21st Y6 Healthy Minds Workshop for Y6

21st PTFA Beetle Drive (5pm-6.30pm)

22nd Year 2 Pedestrian Training in school

22nd Year 5 STEM Day

23rd-24th Year 2 Residential

27th Home work Show (Y1-Y6)

28th Parent's Evening

30th Parent's Evening

31st- Celebration of Holi Day in School

31st Term 4 Ends (2pm finish)

### **APRIL**

18th Term 5 Begins

19th Year 5 Swimming Begins

28th Year 1 Sports Event at NK

28th Year 5 Planetarium Experience Day

## MAY

2nd Year 3 Trip to Magna

4th PTFA Fashion Show

9th-12th KS2 SATs

## Plea for old shirts

Should anyone have any old, washed shirts that would be suitable for our KS2 pupils to wear during art sessions, we would still very much welcome donations of these. Thank you





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# Kids Club Drop-Off and Collection

Please could we ask that those collecting pupils from Breakfast Club or After-School Club do not park in front of the school gates.
Thank you.



## Assessments

Please find the dates for Year 1, 2, 4 and 6 national assessments below. It is **vital** with regards to school data and your child's own personal records that your child is present within these weeks. We very much welcome your support with this.

Y1: Phonics Screen Test:

WB 12th June 2023

Y2 SATs:

WB 15th May 2023

Y4 Times Table Check:

WB 12th June 2023

Y6 SATs:

Tuesday 8th May 2023 to Friday 12th May 2023

# Parents' Consultation Evenings

This term's Parents' Evenings will be held on the 28th and 30th March. The purpose of these meetings is to allow staff to update you on the progress your child is making at the halfway point of the academic year, and for you to ask any questions you may have regarding the progress of your child.

## World Book Day

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the support given towards making this years World Book Day the success it was. The children had such an action-packed day and really embedded their love of reading further. It was wonderful to see the many varied outfits relating to the books which our pupils have read and further enhancing a love of reading throughout this special day.





### **February Fundraising**

The Valentine Treat Friday was extremely popular and it raised almost £100, thank you! The demand for sweet bags was so great that it was a sell-out, therefore, the treat Friday fairies are going to work even harder during March to ensure more treats are available at the Easter Treat Friday on 31 March. If you were a lucky winner of a golden heart ticket at Valentine Treat Friday, please bring it along to claim your free treat at Easter Treat Friday.

Thank you for supporting the Bag2School project on 28 February, it raised £56 for the school.

## **New Outdoor Project**

The PTFA and school staff have been working together to establish an exciting new project. They are going to develop a very special outdoor space for everyone to share and enjoy, it will include beautiful plants and new equipment. The first phase of this project is to purchase an outdoor reading circle that will have 6 wooden benches and a wooden throne dedicated to Louis the Reading Dog. The children will choose a name for this outdoor space and they will be closely involved with its development.

## **Funding**

In addition to the new outdoor project, the PTFA will continue to provide funding for the water bottle and book bag that is issued to children starting in Reception. They have also contributed to the cost of the '23 leavers' hooded jumper for pupils in Year 6; it is anticipated this will be an ongoing commitment.

## PTFA Diary of Events:

### March

- 7 PTFA Committee Meeting.
- 21 Beetle Drive; bring an adult.
- 31 Holi Festival Celebrations in school—further details to follow
- 31 Easter Treat Friday.

### May

- 4 Spring Fashion Show & Shopping Event.
- 18 Movie Night.
- 26 Frozen Treat Friday.

## June

24 - Summer Fete.

#### July

- 13 Disco Night.
- 20 Academy Fun & Games Day.
- 21 Frozen Treat Friday.

#### Contact the PTFA

The next PTFA Meeting will be held at Manor Farm Academy at 5.15 pm on Tuesday 7 March, everyone is welcome to attend.

The PTFA is always keen to welcome new members. If you would like to be involved or have any suggestions, please contact the PTFA at manorfarmptfa@gmail.com