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Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023

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Dear Parents/Carers

## **Head Teacher Newsletter January 2023**

Firstly, let me wish you all a very happy new year. I hope that you had a wonderful Christmas and that your child has enjoyed returning to school for the exciting Spring Term.

This newsletter will give you some important information about this term.

## **COVID19 / STREP A / Scarlet Fever Updates**

At present COVID is not having a significant impact on our school however we do understand that there are high transmission rates in the wider community. If you think or know your child has COVID please follow this guidance. <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19#Children">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19#Children</a>

Our primary concern at present is the risk of STREP A and Scarlet Fever. With this in mind please don't send your child to school if they feel unwell or have a high temperature. If you feel unwell we'd invite you to wear a face covering when on the school site to reduce potential transmission.

Steps we are taking is school to minimise all of the above illnesses include:

- Regular handwashing
- Enhanced Cleaning
- Ventilating classrooms
- Using CO2 monitors to measure air quality
- Sending home children who appear unwell

If you are unsure if your child should be at school or not please get in touch with the school office.

### **Staffing**

We are very pleased to welcome Ms Willingham who has taken on the role of Eagles class teacher. We are also delighted to welcome back Mrs McGagh to the role of SENCO. Mrs Hassett, who has done a wonderful job covering the role in her absence, will be leaving us on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January. We thank her for all of her hard work.

## **Swimming Pool**

As you know, we are working hard to raise money to be able to reopen the school swimming pool for the Summer Term. Having taken up the flooring and removed the pool sides it is clear that there is much more work needed than we first envisaged. We are still hopeful that we will be able to re-open the pool for the Summer Term however this will require more money than we have currently got.

















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We would like to say a huge thank you to the wonderful community who are helping us raise the money including:

- Market Rasen Pre School
- Market Rasen Eleemosynary
- Market Rasen FAFF
- TESCO
- Luca Vets
- New Life Church
- Nettleton Friends of School
- Market Rasen Roundtable
- Town and Country Kiddies
- Local shops who have our collection pots
- Many individual parents who have made donations

Every penny will go towards securing the pool for current and future pupils. You can help us by returning your Smarties tube with a few pennies in if you are able to.

### **School Places for September 2023**

The closing date for applications for school is the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023. If you have a child that is due to start school in September 2023, please follow this link <a href="https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-admissions/apply-school-place">https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-admissions/apply-school-place</a>

If you need any help to apply please let us know.

#### **Updated Safeguarding Policy**

The Local Authority have updated their child protection and safeguarding policy therefore we have updated ours to reflect these changes. The new version was approved by Governors at their last meeting and it is available on the school website.

#### https://www.marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk/parents.php

Please remember that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you have a concern about a child in our school please get in touch with one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads, Mr Smith or Mrs Allerston.

#### **Letting You Know How Your Child is Doing**

We like to regularly let you know how well your child is doing in school. We do this in the following ways:

Term 1: Parents' Evening

Term 2/3: Termly Report (This will come out in the next week)

Term 4: Parents' Evening
Term 5: Termly report
Term 6: End of Year Report

















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If you ever want any information regarding your child's progress outside of these times please get in touch with your child's teacher.

#### **School Uniform**

It is lovely to see all of the children back to school looking smart in their uniforms. Can we please ask that if your child wears boots or trainers to school due to weather conditions they have a pair of black school shoes to change into.

Children need to wear their P.E uniform on P.E days. This is a black or blue tracksuit (no logos or brands please), their house coloured t-shirt and trainers.

#### **Adverse Weather**

In the unlikely event that we have to close the school due to snow we will notify you via our school website, twitter feed (@northwoldsfed) and the Lincs FM website.

#### Clubs

You will receive a letter to confirm which club(s) your child has secured a place in later this week. Clubs restart next week and will run on the following weeks:

W/B Monday 16th January	Week 1
W/B Monday 23rd January	Week 2
W/B Monday 30th January	Week 3
W/B Monday 6th February	Week 4
Half Term	
W/B Monday 20th February	Week 5
W/B Monday 27th February	Week 6
W/B Monday 6th March	Week 7
W/B Monday 13th March	Week 8
W/B Monday 20th March	Week 9
W/B Monday 22th March	Week 10

Please note, clubs will not run on the following dates due to staff training/Parents' Evening:

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January – Creative Play, Cross Country and Colouring and Drawing club cancelled due

to staff training – all other Tuesday clubs will be running as usual.

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January – No clubs running due to staff training
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – No clubs running due to Parents' Evening
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - No clubs running due to Parents' Evening

If your child is one the above clubs, you will not have been charged for these dates.

















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## **Behaviour Policy**

All schools are required to annually make parents aware of the whole school behaviour management policy. In our last full Ofsted Inspection behaviour and safety was judged to be outstanding. To view our behaviour policy please visit our website <a href="https://www.marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk">www.marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk</a>

### **New E-Safety Scheme of Work**

Technology changes all of the time so we have updated what we teach children in regards to e-safety. These changes came about through discussions with teachers, children and parents. The new curriculum for e-safety can be found here

I hope your child has a lovely Spring Term with us. As ever, please don't hesitate to contact us if you have a query over any aspect of your child's education.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Smith Executive Headteacher

















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## **Important Dates**

We try to give parents as much notice as possible for events happening in school. Please find below important dates for Terms 3 & 4.

#### Term 3

4th January 2023 Start of Term 3

6th January 2023 Curriculum Newsletters Out

w/b 9<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 Termly Reports Out w/b 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 Term 3 Clubs Start 7<sub>th</sub> February 2023 Safer Internet Day 10<sub>th</sub> February 2023 End of Term 3

#### Term 4

20th February 2023 Start of Term 4 2nd March 2023 World Book Day

w/b 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 Bike ability for Y5s who have signed up

w/b 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 Sherwood Forest Residential for Y3/4s who have signed up 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023 Mother's Day Service (9.30 KS1 / 1.30 KS2) St Thomas' Church

22nd March 2023 Parents Evening (3:30-7:00pm) 23rd March 2023 Parents Evening (3:30-7:00pm)

29th March 2023 Year3 /4 Easter Show (9.30am and 2.00pm)

31<sub>st</sub> March 2023 End of Term 4

11<sup>th</sup>-14 April Easter School

### Term 5

17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 INSET Day 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023 Start of Term 5













