



DOGSTHORPE ACADEMY

Dear Parents,

We have had a busy Spring term with Dogsthorpe Academy children being involved in many activities and events including school quiz, football matches for both the boys and girls teams, Bikeability and making rockets with Perkins for Science week. We celebrated World Book day with our reading breakfast event and bedtime story in Lower School. It was great to see so many parents supporting these events. Thank you to all who dressed up as a book character for the day. Future events and activities this term include Spring/Easter garden competition and Dogsthorpe's Got Talent! We raised £187.20 for Book Aid International.

Parent and pupil surveys

There is still time for parents and pupils to complete a survey to give us your views about the Academy if you have not already done so. The deadline for the survey has been extended to Friday 24th March.

Parent log in: <http://survey.gi-assessment.co.uk/s/NGC1E/> Parent Password: da47135parent

Pupil log in: <http://survey.gi-assessment.co.uk/s/AJSWN/> Pupil Password: da18485pupil

Car parks and dropping off

We have reviewed safety in the car park and are taking steps to keep children and visitors away from the car parks. The school gates to the main car park will be closed before school and for the remainder of the day until 4.30 p.m.

We ask visitors to use the paths around the car park to reduce likelihood of accidents. Dogsthorpe Infant School have requested that parents of Dogsthorpe Academy do not use the Infant School car park. The car park across the road by the shops is a convenient alternative for car parking.

It has been reported than some parents have been dropping off children on the zig zags outside school. Please respect this zone to keep the busy area safe for all of our children.

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Please make sure that you are registered with Groupcall so that you can send and receive messages. It is important that we have up to date mobile numbers and email addresses for parents so if these change please make sure you inform the office. Please use the Groupcall number 07860003898 to text us for any absence. Text the child's name, class and the reason for absence.



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Dogsthorpe Academy Advisory Council

We have vacancies on our Academy Advisory Council for parent representatives. This group meets once a term to provide a forum for parent consultation.

Please see our clerk Mrs Horsley on reception if you are interested in joining this Council.





Reports of Headlice

There have been a number of reported cases of head lice. Please follow advice on nhs websites.

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/Head-lice/Pages/Introduction.aspx>.

How to get rid of head lice and nits

Treatments to get rid of head lice are available to buy from pharmacies, supermarkets and online. You don't usually need to see your GP. The main treatments are: lotions or sprays that kill head lice – these can be very effective, but some aren't suitable for pregnant or breastfeeding women, or for children under two.

Removing head lice with a specially designed comb – this is suitable for everyone and relatively inexpensive, but needs to be repeated several times and can take a long time to do thoroughly .

Once a week.... Take a peek!

Punctuality It is important that your child gets to school on time. The doors to school open at 8.40am. After 9.05 the doors are locked and children should arrive through Reception where their late mark will be recorded.

Term Time Absences/Holidays Pupils attendance should be above **90%**. **Anything 90% and below (which is the same as one day off a fortnight) could lead to further action being taken and potentially a fine starting at £60 per parent per child.** Our Term Dates are available at anytime on our website so please book holidays within school holidays. Please also do not be tempted to not complete a leave of absence request and just take your child out of school as any absence can be marked as unauthorised and potentially lead to a fine. We do try to be as flexible and as accommodating as we can but are bound by rules from the government.

Please use our Groupcall Messenger number to let us know
If your child is absent from school.



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	Reading	Writing	Maths	ESPG	Combined (RWM)
Progress score	-5.4	-0.1	-4.2		
Attainment	33%	76 %	34%	48%	24 %
Av scaled score	96		98	101	

Validated SATS results 2016

Our SATS results are summarised in the table above. This was the first year of a new National Curriculum and new assessment. The new End of Key Stage 2 expected Standard is more difficult and fewer pupils reached the required standard than in previous years. The teaching team are working hard to prepare the children for the demands of the new standard. Please be aware that the Year 6 SATS tests will take place during week beginning 8th May 2017.



**Friday 24th
March**

Come to school in your pyjamas or dressed in redthe choice is yours! Please ensure you have sensible footwear for coming to school and for play-times. Please donate £1 to join in the fun.

A limited number of red noses will be on sale at breaktimes during the week. Cost £1.

Annual Term Dates 2016 / 2017

End of term: Thursday 6 April 2017

Start of Summer term : Monday 24 April 2017

May Day: Monday 1st May School Closed

Half term : Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June 2017

End of term: Thursday 20 July 2017

Please be aware that Dogsthorpe Academy will be **closed** for staff training on 7 April 2017. (Dogsthorpe Infant school will be open.) Dogsthorpe Academy will be **open** on 24 and 25 April 2017 (Dogsthorpe Infant School will be closed.)

