



# DOGSTHORPE ACADEMY

Dear Parents,

We have noticed that as the weather is getting warmer children are beginning to ride to school more regularly, with this in mind we are currently looking at updating our bike shed. Over the half term half of the plastic sheeting will be removed as it is broken and in need of repair. Therefore, if your child is cycling or scooting to school please ensure they have a bike lock as Dogsthorpe Academy cannot accept any responsibility for the loss of any bike as the shed will no longer be locked.

The school site however is locked from 9am until 3pm so the bikes will be safe during the day.

I hope your child has had an enjoyable half term. We look forward to seeing everybody back at school on **Monday 6th June.**

Mrs C Krzanicki —Principal

## Uniform

It is expected that your child will attend the academy in full academy uniform. Please see our website or Mrs Horsley in reception for advice of how to purchase the expected items



## PHONES PHONES PHONES PHONES PHONES

We are having an increasing number of children bringing mobile phones into school. Please do not send your child into school with a phone unless it is absolutely necessary. All phones **MUST** be handed into the office first thing and then collected at the end of the day.

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## SCHOOL LUNCHES

After half term we are launching our new 3 week menu. All the lunches have been chosen by the children as they were identified as their favourites during a recent survey. Sandwiches and a jacket potato option is still available.


## Attendance

Well done to all for attending school regularly! If your child is absent from school please contact the office by 8.30am OR request a leave of absence form from Miss Franks if it is anything other than



## CLUBS

All clubs will continue as normal after half term. Please see the adult who runs the club for any questions.

We now have a new system in place which  gives us another tool for communication with parents. Be on the look out for emails and text messages. However, this is reliant on us having up to date mobile numbers and email addresses for parents so if these change please make sure you inform the office. **The number is 07860003898**

### Term Time Absences/Holidays

Pupils attendance should be above 90% Anything 90% or 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. We are not able to authorise requests for holidays except in exceptional circumstances. 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

### Our Academy values

To believe in yourself  
To contribute and play your part  
To succeed  
To keep yourself and others safe  
To love life long learning



#### Dates for your diary

**Monday 22nd February—TERM STARTS**

**Wednesday 2nd March— MU Football Trip**

**Thursday 3rd March—World Book Day / Year 4 Theatre experience**

**Tuesday 8th Wednesday 9th March—Parents evening**

**Friday 18th March—Year 3 Chinese day / Sports relief**

**Wednesday 23rd March—SCHOOL ENDS**

**Easter Holidays**

**Tuesday 12th April—TERM STARTS**

#### Term Dates 2015 / 2016

Start of Autumn term: Monday 7th September

Half term: Monday 26th to Friday 30th October

End of term: Friday 18th December

Start of Spring Term: Tuesday 5th January

Half term: Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February

End of term: Wednesday 23rd March

Start of Summer term : Tuesday 12th April

May bank holiday : Monday 2nd May

Half term : Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June

End of term: Friday 22nd July

Term dates for 2015 / 2016 and provisional term dates for 2016 / 2017 are now available on the school website.

[www.dogsthorpeacademy.org](http://www.dogsthorpeacademy.org)

