

# NEWSLETTER



19<sup>th</sup> October 2017

## A FEW WORDS FROM MRS NICOLL

It has been a really busy but successful term and we can't believe half term is almost here. Thank you so much for your support so far. With your help the children have settled well into their new classrooms and routines. We are already seeing some fantastic progress and children have worked hard to follow our Golden Rules and show Mission Mount Street. Don't forget that next term is Parents Evening, taking place on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> November. If you haven't handed your appointment slip back to the class teacher then please do so asap.

We hope you all enjoyed our first Fresh Freebie Friday. It was a real success and we hope you enjoyed some fruit and veg over the weekend. This project aims to cut food waste, working with local shops and allotments to give away surplus food to our community. Special thanks to Nina Alexander Hill who has led this and to the Women's Institute for providing a fridge to store the food.

Thanks to those of you who attended our first Parent Forum. We discussed communication and the group came up with some really helpful ideas and feedback. We will share any of these changes with you, once in place, after half term.

We look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

## OPEN DAY

Our Open Day takes place on Thursday 2nd November 2017. This gives prospective parents the chance to come and look around Mount Street. We would appreciate if you could spread the word. Do you know friends or family who has a child who will start school in September 2018? If you do please tell them to call our office on 01522 527339 where they can make an appointment to visit on Open day. There will be appointments after school on this date as well for those who work.

Also, if you are free on that day and would be willing to come and help make cups of tea and talk to our visitors about Mount Street then please let us know. We would love your help!

Thanks for your cooperation.

## COLLECTING CHILDREN

Please may we remind parents to inform the class teacher **that morning** if their child is to be collected by another named adult. This information can then be recorded so all relevant teaching staff are aware of which child is leaving with which adult. We will of course pass a message on for you in the case of an emergency. Thank you.

## FRESH FREEBIE FRIDAY

Lincoln Women's Institute have purchased a fridge for storing donations of surplus fruit and veg from local allotments, which will be given away to families in the playground after school on Fridays. Our aim is to tackle food waste by sharing spare produce with our community. "Fresh Freebie Fridays" started on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October and continues every Friday.

The fridge will be located on the playground so please pop along with a carrier bag and help yourself to some weekend treats!

## COOL MILK

School Milk is available free for children under-five only. If you wish your child to continue receiving milk after they have reached their fifth birthday this will be subsidised and costs around £15 per term (ie Sept to Dec). To apply for this you can collect a Cool Milk registration form from the office, email Cool Milk at [registrations@coolmilk.com](mailto:registrations@coolmilk.com) or visit the website [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com).

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Councillors enjoyed meeting altogether for the second time. We discussed the upcoming fundraising day for Children in Need (Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November) and the different activities we could do as a whole school to raise money for the charity. We look forward to sharing these with you soon! The Year 2 Councillors will be visiting the Lincoln Guildhall for the first meeting of the Kyra Council. This involves many School Council representatives from schools within Lincolnshire meeting together and sharing ideas. The Kyra Council have meetings throughout the year and the children will have opportunities to engage in lots of brilliant activities.

## SUPERSTARS ASSEMBLY

We have recently relaunched Mission Mount Street which asks school, including staff and children, to work as a team to make Mount Street a lovely place to be. This includes having impeccable manners, holding doors open for each other, moving around school quietly and lots of other things.

We are asking the children to come into the hall in silence for assemblies and to listen carefully to what the adult is saying.

We would really appreciate your cooperation with this. May we ask, if you are attending Superstars assembly, that you help us model to the children how to sit quietly during assembly. As soon as the children begin to enter the hall we would appreciate you drawing your conversations to a close and not talking during the assembly. Thanks for your cooperation with this.

## FRIENDS OF MOUNT STREET ACADEMY (FOMS)

Thank you to everyone who came to our Film Night; with your help we made £73.95. The draw for the Family Firework Display family ticket raised £23.50. Thank you to Louise for the donation and well done to Noah for winning it!

We will be collecting raffle and tombola prizes, teddies and bottles of wine for the Christmas Fair, if anyone has anything they can spare, pop it to the school office please.

### Dates

Friday 20th October. AGM all welcome, we will also be discussing the fund raiser for this year.

If you are able to spare some time and enthusiasm to join us please contact Helen chair of FOMS on 07719537709 or come to our next meeting.

Follow us on face book.

## YEAR 1 NEWS

Well the first term has flown by and we are so proud of how your children have settled and are progressing in Year One. Our next theme is Let's Celebrate and we will be finding out about celebrations from various cultures and religions, more details to follow. In Religious Education lessons we will learn about celebrations the children have taken part in and this will form our homework challenge for the term. As we announced on the last newsletter our Wow day will be on Thursday 30th November with the theme of 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' and we will be reading the book in class. We look forward to seeing the children's outfits.

We have enjoyed our Tuesdays with coach James Bakes and thank him for all his hard work. The children will no longer need to wear P.E. kits on Tuesdays and should come in school uniform. P.E. kits will be sent home for a wash over the half term holidays but then please return them to school on the first day back. All children need a NAMED kit on their peg please. For health and safety reasons please do not send in a plastic carrier bag; a named draw string bag is best.

Thank you to those families that have worked on our homework challenge this term. The children have been excited to tell us some of the ways they have enjoyed learning spellings as well as some ways that they are not so keen on! There were some very creative ideas including games, craft, construction and technology. It isn't too late to send us any pictures or resources you have used as we will look again tomorrow and then a little bit the first week back to inspire the children once they have their new spelling lists. Spelling books will come home with a weekly list from week 1 after the holidays.

Two last reminders:

Reading books should come into school everyday please and water bottles should contain fresh water only - Thank you

## FANTASTIC 50



Ellis

## WONDERFUL 100



Saffron

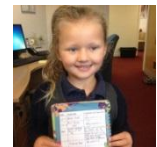


Bella

## WICKED 150



Mia



Charlie

## TERRIFIC 200



Isaac



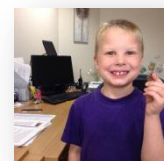
Dylan

## 250 BOOKS



Finley

## 300 BOOKS



Seth

## KEY DATES

YEAR GROUP	DATE AND TIME	EVENT AND OTHER INFORMATION
<b>NEW INTAKE SEPTEMBER 2018</b>	Thursday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> November (by appointment)	Open Day for prospective new parents
<b>NURSERY</b>		
<b>RECEPTION</b>	Friday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 9.00-9.30am  Friday, 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Share – join us for tea and coffee in the hall 9.30 until 10.00am  Share
<b>YEAR 1</b>	Friday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 9.00-9.30am  Thursday, 30 <sup>th</sup> November  Friday, 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Share - join us for tea and coffee in the hall 9.30 until 10.00am  Wow Day The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe Share
<b>YEAR 2</b>	Friday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 9.00-9.30am  Friday, 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Share-join us for tea and coffee in the hall 9.30 until 10.00am  Share
<b>ALL YEAR GROUPS</b>	Wednesday, 8 <sup>th</sup> November  Thursday, 9 <sup>th</sup> November  Thursday, 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents evening, details to follow  Parents evening, details to follow  Individual Photographs by Wrates

## SUPERSTAR ASSEMBLIES

YEAR GROUP	DATE AND TIME
Reception	Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> October
Year 2	Friday, 10 <sup>th</sup> November
Year 1	Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> November
Reception	Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> November

**Last Day of Term 1 – Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017**  
**First Day of Term 2 – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017**  
**Last Day of Term 2 – Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017**