

NEWSLETTER

16th September 2021



MountStreet
ACADEMY

MESSAGE FROM MRS HORN

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very busy first couple of weeks back and the children have settled so well into their new classrooms and are adapting to new routines and expectations.

We are also getting used to having a hall again! It has been an absolute joy to gather the children into the hall for assemblies. We are now eating lunch in there and having our indoor PE sessions.

Most of the building work is now complete but we have a few outstanding items which will be done as and when resources become available. This includes:

- Scooter and bike store
- MUGA (Multi use games area)
- Shelter above America class
- New Fencing in EYFS
- New doors for the Nurture suite

We hope to have everything done before the start of Term 2.

Thank you for continuing to keep your distance as we walk around the school site and getting your children to school on time!

We will be re introducing our Celebration assemblies called DREAM assemblies (Please see the important dates below). This is a time where we celebrate a year groups achievements and how they have followed our values and rules. Parents of that year group are invited to join us in the hall from 2.40pm on a Friday. If your child is receiving a certificate we will let you know a week in advance but all parents of that year group will be invited.

We are beginning to open up school but are closely following infection rates and will continue to restrict access into school to keep infection rates as low as possible.

School Hours

School starts at 8.55am and ends at 3.10pm.

Nursery hours are 9am-3.15pm.

We open the gates 5 minutes before the start and end of day to allow you access to the site.

Parents evening

We will be having a parents evening during November (please see dates for the diary). We have yet to decide if this will be face to face or a phone call. We will make this decision closer to the time and depending on infection rates.

MRS HORN CONT.

Open day

Our open days will be held during November, January and March (please see dates for the diary) depending on infection rates please let your friends and family know if the have a child starting school next September.

Mrs Horn

RECEPTION NEWS

What a brilliant week we have had in Reception! The children have been busy learning new routines, making new friends, building on independence and exploring new environments! We are incredibly proud of them all.

As part of our theme "Magical Me" We have done a lot of work this week on talking to the children about their families and people in their lives who are special to them. It has been so lovely to hear about who the children have in their lives and why they are so special, including their pets!

We are looking forward to bringing all the children together next week for them to meet the rest of their class friends!

Can we please ask you encourage your children to practice putting on their coat and shoes in the morning before coming to school. We appreciate this can take extra time in our busy lives however this is so important as a part of the children's learning and development as it encourages independence and good self care. This will also help prepare the children when we start to get changed in and out of our pe kits for our sessions starting next week.

Thank you for your support with this.

Reception Team.

KEY DATES FOR THE DIARY

- End of Term 1: **Thursday** 21st October 2021
- Start date of Term 2: Monday 01st November 2021

DREAM Team Assemblies

- ◆ Year 2—1st October 2021
- ◆ Year 1—08th October 2021
- ◆ Reception—15th October 2021

Open days

- ◆ 10th November 2021 9.30am, 2pm and 5pm
- ◆ 10th January 2022 4.30pm
- ◆ 31st January 2022 4.30pm
- ◆ 21st March 2022 4.30pm

Parents Evening

- ◆ 17th & 18th November 2021 Between 3.30pm– 6.30pm

COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS AND CARERS

At Mount Street Academy our main communication with parents and carers is via Parent Hub and Parentmail. Please download these on to your smart device or log in via the web.

- Parenthub - follow the instructions on the link below in order for you connect to our school. <https://mountstreetacademy.com/assets/uploads/files/Parent-Hub-Letter-and-Flyer.pdf>
- Parentmail—you should have been sent a link to the e-mail address that we have on record for you. Instructions can be found here: [How to Register with ParentMail by Email.pdf](#)

If you have any problems please get in touch with the school office.

FLU VACCINATION

The Nursing Team will be visiting school on 22nd November for the annual Flu Vaccination. For your child to receive a vaccination you must ensure you complete the NHS online consent form. You can complete this at [Immunisation Consent \(lincolnshireimmunisations.co.uk\)](https://www.lincolnshireimmunisations.co.uk). Our School code is **EE137551**.

Please note that the vaccine is only for children in Reception to Year 2.

VACANCIES

We are looking for a new member to join our dedicated cleaning team.

Cleaner

Hours: 12 hours per week (3.30pm – 6.00pm, Monday – Thursday and 3.30pm – 5.30pm, Friday), 38 weeks a year (school term time only)

Salary: Grade 1.2 - £17,842 (pro-rata salary is £4,780 per annum)

Contract: Permanent

Start date: ASAP

1:1 Teaching Assistant Vacancy

We are looking to recruit a 1:1 TA to join our team.

Start Date: ASAP

Salary: G3.6 – £18,562 (pro-rata salary is £12,106)

Contract: Temporary

Hours: 25 hours a week (9.00am – 2.30pm, Monday – Friday), 39 weeks a year (term-time)

Teaching Assistant Vacancies

We are looking to recruit two TAs to join our team

Start Date: ASAP

Salary: G3.6 – pro-rata salary is £7,263

Contract: Permanent

Hours: 15 hours a week (9.00am – 12.00pm, Monday – Friday), 39 weeks a year (term-time)

Please see our website for further details and an application form - <https://mountstreetacademy.com/information/vacancies>

PUPIL PREMIUM

Following the introduction of Universal Credit, the way that we can establish whether school is entitled to extra funding for your child has changed. This extra funding is known as Income and Benefits Based Free School Meals – IBFSM (not to be confused with the free meals provided for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2).

It is very important that every parent/carer completes this for all their children in school, even if you do not think you are eligible.

Are you in receipt of any of the benefits below?

Free school meals are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits.

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earning from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).
- Income support – Income-based Jobseekers Allowance – Income-related Employment and support Allowance.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit.
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190).
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for working Tax Credit.

Guidance – Create an account using your email address on the online Parent Portal: <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schools-and-education/free-school-meals>

NUT FREE SCHOOL

We cannot have nuts in school in any form. So please can we ask that you have no nut products in the lunch boxes or brought into the school as treats.

We appreciate that this is an additional thing to check and we know that you recognise the importance of it. We do have to insist we are a nut free school. I know if this was your child you would expect that we all help, especially as it is a life-threatening condition.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.

UPDATE—CONTACT DETAILS

Please do let us know if you have a new phone number, e-mail address etc so we can keep our records up to date.

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WEBSITE

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