

# NEWSLETTER



11<sup>th</sup> January 2018

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## A FEW WORDS FROM MRS NICOLL

Welcome back and a Happy New Year. I hope you all had a restful Christmas break and are ready for the new term.

January always feels a little bit grey, especially after the magical term with the hive of Christmas activities. However, here at Mount Street we are excited about the term ahead and can't wait to work with your children to help them progress even further and flourish even more.

We would like to welcome some brand new staff to our team. A huge welcome to:

- Claire Martin, the new teacher in Matisse. Claire is job sharing with Miss Parker and will be teaching on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
- Amanda Wilson, the new Teaching Assistant in Year 1. Amanda has taken over from Miss Emmingham who started her maternity leave in the New Year. We want to wish Miss Emmingham every success and can't wait to hear news of the new baby!
- Lynette Stevenson, the new cover teacher. Lynette will be working in Nursery, Year 1 and reception covering a variety of classes releasing staff to do some of their other leadership and additional duties.
- Judith Astwood, our new Provision Manager. Judith will be working alongside Mrs Clark our SENDCO, ensuring provision for those children with additional needs is tailored correctly.

We are delighted that these colleagues are joining us and look forward to them fitting into our team.

We look forward to the exciting things that 2018 is sure to bring and thank you once again for your continued support and cooperation.

## POPPY APPEAL

Thank you for helping with the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal; the sum of £24.50 was collected. Without your help they would be unable to continue their vital welfare and benevolent work.

## VACANCIES

### Mount Street Academy Vacancy - Early Years Foundation Stage Leader

Contract: Permanent, full-time EYFS Leader and Reception Class Teacher

Start date: 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Salary: Upper Pay Scale + TLR 2 (£2,667)

Salary Range: £38,594 – £41,300 p.a.

Closing date: midnight, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Further details can be found on the Mount Street Academy website: <http://mountstreetacademy.com/teacher-vacancies/>

### Midday Supervisor and Catering Assistant Vacancies

We are seeking to appoint a Midday Supervisory Assistant and a Catering Assistant to work with our dedicated midday teams at Lincoln Carlton Academy and Mount Street Academy. If you are interested we would love for you to visit us at a lunch time. Please contact the school to arrange a date!

#### Midday Supervisory Assistant

School: Lincoln Carlton Academy

Hours: 5 hours per week, 12pm to 1pm (Monday to Friday), school term time only

Salary: Grade 2, currently £15,246 to £15,807 pro rata

Contract: Permanent post

Start date: As soon as possible

#### Catering Assistant

School: Mount Street Academy

Hours: 6.25 hours per week, 12.30pm - 1.45pm (Monday to Friday), school term time only

Salary: Grade 1, currently £15,014 to £15,246 pro rata

Contract: Permanent post

Start date: As soon as possible

## PARENTS EVENING

Date for your diaries!

Our next Parent's Evening is on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018. A letter will follow in the coming weeks to make your appointment but we wanted to give you advance notice of the date.

## SCHOOL ADMISSION SEPTEMBER 2018

Please may we remind parent/carers if your child is due to start reception or Year 3 in September 2018 you need to apply before the closing date of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 to give you the best possible chance of securing a place at the school of your choice. You can do this either by using the online application system found on the website at [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions) or by telephoning 01522 782030.

## ELECTRIC SCOOTERS

Please note that electric scooters are not allowed in school. We feel these move too quickly for safe use in the playground. They are also very expensive and feel it would be unfair if they were damaged on our premises. Thanks for your cooperation.

## FOMS

### Friends of Mount Street School (FOMS)

Happy New Year....hope your child enjoyed their book they received at school from Father Christmas, these were donated and wrapped by the FOMS team.

Our first event of this year is a Family Film Night showing the Emoji film on Friday 19th January at 4.30pm, make sure you look out for the poster and remember to book your seats.

### Dates for your Diary

Friday, 19th January 9.15am - FOMS meeting in staff room all welcome.

Friday, 19th January 4.30pm. - Free Family Film Night.  
Emoji Film.

Thursday, 8th February 5 till 6.30pm. - Reception and Year 1 Disco.

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

Please can you bring in your child's PE kit to stay on their peg. Your child also needs to come to school already in their kit on a Tuesday.

Reading books still need to be coming in every day and spelling books should be handed in on a Wednesday.

We're really excited to see your child's homework project for this term, which was a space related theme due in on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January.

## HOT LUNCHESES

Hot lunches will continue to be provided by Lincoln Carlton Academy but Mount Street Academy will need to be notified two week prior of any menu changes by either emailing [janice.fisher@lincolnmountstreet.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:janice.fisher@lincolnmountstreet.lincs.sch.uk) or telephoning 01522 527339. Many thanks.

## RECEPTION NEWS

Happy New Year! Welcome back we hope you've had a lovely Christmas and Santa treated you well. This term our focus will be traditional tales we will be reading lots of stories, re-telling stories and doing lots of creative work too. We would love it if you could take the time to read some of these at home with your child too! We will also focus on winter this term and look at what happens during this season.

### Reminders:

- Please remember to bring your child's letter fans to school every day and put them in the space in the classroom provided, we will begin to add new sounds to these now we have done some revisit.
- Please ensure PE kits are in school at all times, with an indoor PE kit inside. Please ensure all the kit is named to stop clothing getting misplaced.
- We have had a change to our timetable which means that phonics starts straight away at 9:15. It is essential that your child arrives on time for their morning jobs (8:55am) so that they are ready for the register at 9:10am.

## YEAR 2 NEWS

### Muck, Mess and Mixtures!

It may be early in the term but we have already had an exciting start to the new theme with our fabulous Messy Mixtures Wow morning last Friday. The children thoroughly enjoyed the carousel of activities and hopefully you all got to hear about it at the end of the day. We have more exciting workshops planned with our trip to the Usher Gallery later this month and a visit from LUSH where children will continue to explore art and science through these sessions, which have a very sensory element to them! We will keep our school Facebook page updated with the wonderful learning opportunities which the children engage in so please do check.

### Spelling Books

Just a gentle reminder that we need spelling books in school on Fridays so that they can be used for the weekly test and new spellings can be stuck in. We have had to replace several lost books but now have none left, so would appreciate your care in ensuring these are well looked after and brought into school on a weekly basis. Many thanks.

### Reading and Reading Reward cards

Thank you to those parents and children who have engaged with the Reading Reward cards issued last term. These should be initialled by parents/carers after every ten books read and the card brought into school for your child to be given a star on their chart. It's really helpful if the cards come in after every ten books as opposed to several multiples of ten if possible, so that children can celebrate their effort regularly.

Just a reminder that children should be heard to read by an adult/older sibling/relative at least 3-4 times a week so that their reading skills can be practised as well as to develop a love of books which will hopefully inspire them to want to read more! If your child is reluctant to read at home, please see class teachers for ideas and support in encouraging this key life skill. We also value the reading of a wide range of texts and children shouldn't feel restricted to only reading their school reading book. Feel free to record all texts read in the Reading Record Journals and tot up those stars for each ten books! Thank you for your support.

### Usher Gallery trip

A letter has been sent home this week with information about the Usher Gallery trip on Wednesday 31st January. We will need parent helpers for this trip so please see class teachers or the ladies in the office if you are able to volunteer your time. We are, as always, grateful for your help as our wonderful curriculum enhancing visits can't take place without your support. Thanks in advance.

### Toys in school

We have noticed that children are increasingly bringing in toys and special items from home. Whilst we understand children would like to have them at play times or to share with their friends, it is obviously difficult to monitor them being kept safe and we therefore ask that they remain at home, as per our school expectation in respect of this. If and when we are able to offer a 'Show and Tell' slot, we will give children advance notice and they may bring something in to share and talk about with the class, but these will be kept in the classroom and won't be allowed outside at play times. Thank you.

## FANTASTIC 50



Emma



Cody

## WONDERFUL 100



Mason

## WICKED 150



Grace

## TERRIFIC 200



Sebastian

## 250 BOOKS



Isaac

## KEY DATES

YEAR GROUP	DATE AND TIME	EVENT AND OTHER INFORMATION
NURSERY		
RECEPTION	Friday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 9.00-9.30am	Share – join us for coffee in the hall 9.30-10.00am
YEAR 1	Friday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 9.00-9.30am	Share – join us for coffee in the hall 9.30-10.00am
YEAR 2	Friday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 9.00-9.30am  Wednesday, 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Share- join us for coffee in the hall 9.30-10.00am  Usher Gallery Trip
ALL YEAR GROUPS	Wednesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2018  Thursday, 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2018	Parents Evening  Parents Evening

## SUPERSTAR ASSEMBLIES

YEAR GROUP	DATE AND TIME
Year 2	Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 – 2.40pm
Year 1	Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 – 2.40pm
Reception	Friday, 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 – 2.40pm
Year 2	Friday, 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 – 2.40pm

**Last Day of Term 3 – Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

**First Day of Term 4 – Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

**Inset Day (school closed) – Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**Last Day of Term 4 – Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2018**