

## SPRING TERM - NEWSLETTER

### Spring & Summer Term Dates:

2023 AUTUMN TERM				2024 SPRING TERM				2024 SUMMER TERM				
	Mid Term Holiday				Mid Term Holiday					Mid Term Holiday		
Re-Open	Close	Re-Open	Close	Re-Open	Close	Re-Open	Close	Re-Open	May Day	Close	Re-Open	Close
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> July

Good Friday	29 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
Easter Monday	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2024

### Dates for the Diary:

#### Movie Night Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February

This time Movie Night for Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 will be The Super Mario Bros. Movie.

Children will enjoy a snack and a drink along with the film.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 5.30pm - 7.30pm.

Tickets are £4.00. Please send cash in a named envelope for your child to hand in at the classroom.

**Easter Bingo** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March - 5pm start (more details to follow)

**Easter Disco** Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March (more details to follow)

**Parents evening:** Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February and Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February

**Uniform:** Thank you for ensuring that children look so smart in their school uniform. Just a reminder to please make sure that everything is labelled with full names to avoid any missing items, including coats. We had a large amount of lost property left during the Autumn term and we do appreciate how much these items cost, any unclaimed uniform will be saved and available to parents to take to use.

We are introducing a preloved **UNIFORM STATION** in school for parents to use. Any unclaimed/non labelled items of uniform will be placed in this and will be available to parents at the end of the day on the KS2 playground.

If anyone has any no longer needed/ preloved uniform which they wish to donate (good condition and clean please) would they kindly send it into school for us to pass on to other families.

### Free school meals

This information about free school meals applies to children who attend schools in North Lincolnshire.

Free school meals are offered to children of families who receive one of the following:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

If your child qualifies for free school meals you may also receive a [school clothing grant](#). We will assess this at the same time as your free school meals claim, using the same application.

How to apply

Please list all of your children who attend a school in North Lincolnshire on the form.

Alternatively, you can use this form [Free School Meals Registration Form](#) [DOC, 8Kb], or get a paper version of the form sent to you if you contact us at [fsm@northlincs.gov.uk](mailto:fsm@northlincs.gov.uk) or [01724 297000](tel:01724 297000)

We will let you and your child's school know when your claim has been processed.

ALL children in Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal. However, it is still really important that if you get one of the above benefits you complete this form. It may also enable us to pay you a clothing grant and the school will receive up to an extra £1,320 per year from the Government for each of your children.

**Pupil Premium:** Families in receipt of PPM were granted £30.00 (per child) Aldi voucher during the Christmas holiday period. Parents must meet the criteria detailed above and complete an application form. If you require any help completing the application, please contact school and we can support.

#### **After School Clubs:**

We have a wide selection of after school clubs running this term, just a reminder that all clubs finish (except Young Voices) at 4pm. Clubs will end week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **Reading at Oakfield:**

Thank you to all parents who continue to support your children by reading at least 5 times a week. This makes a huge difference to children. Here are some of the benefits:

#### **THE TOP TEN BENEFITS OF READING FOR CHILDREN:**

1. Their vocabulary is larger and more extensive.
2. They perform better academically.
3. Their imagination can run wild.
4. Their creativity skills develop.
5. They develop empathy.
6. They gain a deeper understanding of their world.
7. Their concentration levels improve.
8. The parent and child bond improves.
9. Their cognitive development is supported.
10. Their social skills and interaction improve.

#### **OAKFIELD PARENTS – WE NEED YOU!!**

Mrs Batty & Mrs James would like to meet as many of you as possible to discuss improvements/fundraising ideas and have a general chat.

Please would you join us for a cuppa on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February in the school hall at 5pm.

There will be chocolate biscuits as promised!!