

# ESCRICK CE PRIMARY SCHOOL SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER

## 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week Headteacher awards were given to the following children, though everyone has come back from the half term break with positive attitudes to their learning.

Reception – Lucas for always being positive, polite and engaged across all areas of the curriculum.

Year 1 – Charlie for a fantastic effort and attitude to all learning and classroom experiences, thank you.

Year 2 – Imogen for trying hard to include all the language features in her poetry writing. Well done

Year 3 – Isaac A for his creative ideas and fantastic resilience with writing.

Year 4 – Eddison for improved independence and effort with writing tasks.

Year 5 – Henry for unwavering positive attitude and determination to learn.

Year 6 – Patryk for improved confidence during all lessons in class.

This year we are **celebrating WORLD BOOK DAY on THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH** and if the children would like to dress up as a book character then they are more than welcome to do so. Alternatively, the children can wear their onesies or similar so they can snuggle up and read a good book during the day. Teachers will be sharing extracts of their favourite stories with the children throughout the day. Also, on this day there is a special lunch menu. Just a reminder, if your child would like the special World Book day menu, please book a hot dinner via school money. Thank you

**School drop off** – please can we ask that all children in Reception to Year 4 are brought to school and supervised once on the school playground as we do not have a member of staff on duty. Once the bell has gone you can leave your child to enter school and start their day. If you are running late please do not drop your child off to walk up the snicket and enter school on their own as if the gate is locked then your child may be even later.

**Building Works** – I am pleased to share the exciting news that over the summer holidays we are having some internal building works undertaken. The current cube classroom is being reconfigured to increase the size and to also have a sink/ wet area so that any age range can use the room. There will also be some new toilet cubicles in the cloakroom.

All the classrooms along the main corridor, currently years 2, 4 and 5 are also going to be redecorated and we are very excited about this project.

**Can you help?** Support from the wider community is valued and much appreciated. Support in our school has a significant impact on the children experiences and we are grateful for all those families who already support our school. There are various avenues through which you can contribute to our school. Whether you're interested in volunteering your time, offering resources that your children have grown out of, or providing financial support, your involvement is invaluable in helping support the children in our school.

The ways in which you can help us include:

**Volunteering**: We have various volunteer roles available that cater to different skills and interests. Your time and expertise can make a lasting difference.

**Offering resources:** If your child has outgrown their jigsaws, games, Lego or small world toys then please let us know as we may have use for it and give it a good second home.

**Financial support:** Your financial contributions enable us to expand our enrichment opportunities. Every donation, regardless of size, contributes directly to the experiences that the children have, both in school or on trips.

We would also like to reach out to any local businesses that may like to support our school in any way. If you are aware of any companies that the capacity to help, please let us know. The work that is taking place unfortunately does not include new carpets or blinds in the current year 2, 4 and 5 classrooms and we would particularly like to upgrade this if we can. With your continued support, we will enrich our educational resources and facilities even further.

#### **Diary Dates**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 3.15 – 4pm PTA meeting ALL WELCOME Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March @ 9am - Celebration Assembly for Year 2/3 parents Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March @ 3.15pm – SATS meeting for Year 6 parents Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March @ 3.15pm – Year 1 parents Phonics meeting Week beginning Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March – Bikeability for Year 6 children Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March @ 9am – Parents Forum meeting Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March @ 9am – Celebration Assembly for Year 4/5/6 parents Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March @ 9am – Celebration Assembly for Reception and Year 1 parents Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Yoyo delivering a whole school assembly and workshops for Y2 and Y5 children.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Easter Assembly (inhouse) and finish for the Easter holidays.

#### Upcoming PE Events

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March - Y5/6 dodgeball tournament @ Osbaldwick Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March - Y5/6 girls football festival @ Hopgrove Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March – Y/56 mixed football @ Osbaldwick Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March - Y3/4 dodgeball tournament @ Lord Deramore's

With very best wishes,

Miss Emma E Miller

### 'Every person is an individual and also part of a community'

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Safeguarding children – if you have any concerns for the welfare of a child please contact Miss Miller or Mr Broxup (if in school hours) or alternatively the NYCC safeguarding team can be contacted via this link <u>https://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/about-us/worried-about-a-child/</u>

**Respecting staff** – our staff are dedicated professionals. We will not accept any abuse towards our staff.