

## Newsletter – February 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you once again to you all for the support you have shown our school this half term, we know that for many of you it has been another tricky period with rates of Covid-19 remaining high in our community. Despite these challenges, we are incredibly proud of all of our children and all that they have achieved since returning to school in January. They have shown a fantastic attitude to their learning - it is so lovely to hear them talk about their topics with such enthusiasm. Please remember to visit our school website to find out more about our curriculum. We hope you all have a wonderful and restful half term break and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February**.

Congratulations to all our children who have been named as our Resilience Ambassadors for this half term, they are:

F1- Isabel, Nooran, Ayaan, Mursed, Lylah

F2AG - Alex, Vinnie, Reign, Peyton, Jack

F2R - Oliver, Rudie, Eliza, Josh, Eshaal

1N- David, Taylor, Miley, Jayden, Fatima

1/2MP - Alissa, Alan, Khadeeja, Lexi, Ellenore

1/2W - Teddy, Aleeah, Summer, Willow, Amelia

3/4T - Mollie, Shifa, Harriet, Hakeem, Reagan

3/4H- Blaiden, Mason, Hamza, Alex, Kane

3/4C- Lydia, Dylan, Fazal, Inayah, Daylan

5/6S- Merceddes, Maham, Salar, Ahmed, Ben

5/6M - Tiana, Iqra, Alivia Rose, Alfie, Oliver

5/6AS - Brian, Rhys, Oliver, Piper, Tulisa

Also, our Kindness Tree winner for this half term goes to Olivia in Y5/6S, who will receive a free 1 hour pass to Jump. Well done to all our Kindness nominees for this half term they will all receive a 'kindness rules' pencil.

### Parents Evening

Please note parents evening has changed from the scheduled date on the school calendar, it will now be held on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March**, further information will be sent to you about this nearer the time.

### Attendance

#### ATTENDANCE MATTERS AT EAST DENE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our school attendance target is 96%

Attendance from September to February is: 93.5%

The current attendance for each class is:

F1AM – 84.5% - F1PM – 92.3% - F2GA – 90.6% - F2R – 95.7%

1N – 89.6% - 1/2W – 94.9% - 1/2MP – 94%

3/4H – 93.7% - 3/4T – 93.8% - 3/4H – 93.7%

5/6S -94.1% - 5/6M – 95.2% - 5/6AS – 94.3%

WELL DONE TO CLASS **F2R** who have the best attendance so far.

Well done to the **45** children who have got 100% attendance since September and to the children who have got 131 100% this term.

**Please remember to contact the school office on 01709 512202 if your child is too ill to attend.**

## School Uniform & PE Kit

We would like to see all of our children wearing full school uniform, every day, unless informed differently by the class teacher. School uniform makes children feel proud to come to school, as well as looking smart and having pride in their appearance. I am therefore asking all parents to ensure that children wear full school uniform at all times. Children not wearing uniform will be provided with spare uniform (wherever possible) and parents will be asked to return this the next day. If you have any concerns regarding school uniform then please contact the school office and we will do our best to help you. **Please put your child's name in their uniform so we can return it if it gets lost.**

Can we also please remind you that children are not allowed to come to school wearing jewellery, other than stud earrings, this is for safety reasons.

Please make sure you know when your child has PE so that they bring their kits to school on the correct day. KS1 can come to school in their PE kit however, KS2 must bring their kit to school on the day and get changed. They will need to wear shorts or leggings, t-shirt and trainers/pumps.

## School Start and Finish Times

In line with Covid-19 updates on our return to school after the half-term break all year groups will go back to the previous start and finish times, which are:

Gates open for all year groups at 8.40am, please be at school before 9am.

Pick up, Foundation 3pm, rest of school 3.15pm

If there are any further government updates over the course of the half term break which impact on school organisation we will inform you on our return. Thank you



## Dates for your Diary

21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> February – half term break

28<sup>th</sup> Feb – 4<sup>th</sup> March world book week

28<sup>th</sup> Feb – Non-Uniform – come in your cosy PJs (50p donation)

3<sup>rd</sup> March – Dress up as your favourite book character (no cost)

14<sup>th</sup> March - Science Week

16<sup>th</sup> March – Parents Evening

1<sup>st</sup> April – Spotlight Day

11<sup>th</sup> April – 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Easter Holidays