



Newsletter March 2024

This has been a short half term but we have certainly packed a lot in. In addition to the amazing learning that has taken place we have also celebrated World Book Day, Comic Relief and most recently National Down Syndrome Day. We have seen Year 2, 3 and 4 take their learning beyond school with amazing educational visits to Stewarts Park as part of their learning about James Cook, to Margrove Park and to Whitby to compare it to Ingleby Barwick. Year 6 have taken part in reviewing new literature for Stockton Book of the Year with two pupils, Milli Crook and Callie Broadbent, attending the award ceremony. Outdoor learning has taken place no matter what the weather threw at us. Your children are amazing, their thirst for learning and enthusiasm is a joy to see.

School Entry Points

I want to say a huge thank you to you all for working with us as we adapted our school entry points. The children are settling quickly to their learning and the classrooms are warm. Messages for teachers can be left for the teacher with teaching assistants on a morning and they are available to speak to at the end of the school day. We do however, completely understand that from time to time, unforeseen circumstances can result in children occasionally being late for school.

Attendance

Attendance as always remains very important, for children to learn they need to be in school. In line with our policy, all leave of absence requests will be unauthorised unless the exceptional circumstances threshold is met.

Sporting Achievements

This half term girls from years 3 and 4 had the opportunity to attend a football taster session. Everyone had a fantastic time, future Lionesses in the making.

Assemblies

We have had three more fabulous class assemblies from Sweden, Brazil and Greece classes superbly taking us through their learning this year. This is such an important part of the provision at Ingleby Mill, providing children the opportunity to develop their oracy, speaking to larger audiences but more importantly to enjoy celebrating their learning with family and friends.

Car Parking

I am sure many of you will have seen on social media the post from The Fox Covert. They have also asked school to share this message, which can be found at the end of this newsletter. We have also received further concerns from members of our school community about traffic and parking around school. I understand your concerns and have shared these with the Local Authority.

Chocolate Raffle

Thank you so much for your support for our chocolate raffle, you have raised a massive £364.00.

Forward Planning

- Thursday 28th March: School finishes for Easter
- Monday 15th April: children return to school
- Friday 3rd May: Class assembly - Darlington
- Friday 10th May: Class assembly - Italy
- Monday 13th May: Start of Y6 SATs week
- Monday 13th May: Parent evening for new to Nursery children in September 2024
- Friday 17th May: Class assembly – South Africa
- Friday 24th May: School finished for half term
- Monday 3rd June: children return to school

- Monday 10th June: start of phonic screening week
- Monday 10th June: Nursery new starter parent meeting
- Friday 14th June: Class assembly – Cardiff
- Monday 17th June: Parent evening for new to Reception children in September 2024
- Friday 21st June: Class assembly - Middlesbrough
- Wk com 24th June: Health and Fitness Week
- Monday 24th June: KS2 Sports Day
- Wednesday 26th June: Nursery Teddy Bear Toddle
- Thursday 27th June: Reception and KS1 Sports Day
- Friday 5th July: Transition Day to new classes
- Wednesday 10th July: Summer Fair
- Monday 15th July: Annual Reports to parents
- Wednesday 17th July: Optional Parental Consultations
- Friday 19th July: School finishes for the summer

Safeguarding

Should you have any concerns, our safeguarding contacts are:

- Designated Safeguarding Lead: Janis Williams, Head Teacher
- Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads: Kay Coverdale, Deputy Head Teacher and Andrae Dent: Assistant Head Teacher

This has been an amazing half term in school. To fully capture all of the exciting things that have happened in school we have added a gallery to this newsletter. On behalf of the Ingleby Mill Team, I would like to say a huge thank you to you all, it is your continued support that enables us to continue to provide such rewarding learning experiences for the children. Finally, we would like to wish you all a safe and enjoyable holiday, we can't wait to see you all again on Monday 15th April.

Mrs Williams
Head Teacher





Here are some fabulous photos from World Book Day, Outdoor Learning and Sports Events during this term. We also enjoyed a visit from the author, Bethany Walker.



Letter from the Fox Covert

Advanced Notice Of Car Parking Restrictions At The Fox Covert

From 15th April 2024 the car park will be off limits to everyone but our customers from 11am to midnight.

Unfortunately, we have to announce the Fox Covert car park will no longer be available for school pick up parking on afternoons or more specifically any non customer parking after 11am. The car park has become increasingly dangerous with the influx of parents from 2.30pm. The volume of traffic and the speed of some late comers entering the car park is concerning, this has become a serious problem with numerous near misses this year. It has become a danger to both our customers and the parents and children using the car park. Unless we take action it is only a matter of time before a serious accident occurs. For this reason we have decided to restrict the use of the car park for customers only. You are being allowed these next few weeks to adjust and find alternative arrangements before the restrictions begin.

For the time being we will still allow the car park to be used for drop off parking at 9am. This is a smaller problem with only minor disruption to deliveries and staff parking. We have decided to continue to allow morning parking as a gesture of goodwill to parents. This will be kept under review and the effectiveness of the afternoon restrictions will be a factor in keeping this available rather than a blanket ban.