## MICKLEOVER PRIMARY SCHOOL **MARCH 2020 NEWSLETTER**



Congratulations to Mrs Jones who has been appointed as the Headteacher of the new Highfields Academy Primary in Littleover. She will be leaving at Easter to take up her exciting new post at Easter. We all wish her lots of luck in her new job.

We will be interviewing for the new Infant Assistant Headteacher in the coming weeks and we will let you know who is appointed.

### Coronavirus

As you may be aware from the news in recent days, the Government has been in contact with schools with regards actions that may or may not be needed in the coming weeks and months. The general advice remains the same as it has over the past few weeks:

- Washing hands frequently with soap and water. Pupils, staff and visitors to school should wash their hands
  - before leaving home and on arrival at home in the afternoon
  - on arrival at school
  - before eating
  - after using the toilet
  - after breaks
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- Use tissues for coughs and sneezes, then bin it
- Hand gels/sanitisers are only recommended when there are no handwashing facilities
- Face masks for pupils and staff are not recommended as there is no evidence or benefit from their use outside healthcare environments

We have been advised that no school should close in response to a suspected (or confirmed) case unless advised to do so by Public Health England.

Schools are also advised to clean/disinfect surfaces on a daily basis; we have continued to do this since the outbreak of flu in November.

Further information on COVID-19 can be found at:

https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus

Travel advice can be found at:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-advice-novel-coronavirus

### **Dates for your Diary**

6th March World Book Day in school

Sponsored Spell 6th March 9th March Clothing collection

10th March 2.40pm Reading workshop-KS2 parents

12th March 5.30pm Meeting for Y5/6 parents re. building works

13th March Sport relief—sports kit & voluntary donation 19th March 11.30am Tigers' parents invited to lunch 21st March Destination Imagination competition 24th March 9am SRE information session for parents

26th March 11.45am 6G parents invited to lunch

27th March Spring term interim reports 30th March Easter egg competition 2pm Y3/4 performance 1st April 6pm Y3/4 performance 2nd April 3rd April BREAK UP FOR EASTER

20th April Return to school

Inset & proposed closure days (Children not in school on these days)

Proposed closure day 22nd May Proposed closure day 1st June

19th June **INSET DAY** 22nd June INSET DAY 13th July **INSET DAY** 

# WOULD YOU LIKE TO WIN AN EASTER EGG?

Decorate an egg - please hard boil it first and <u>bring into school</u> on Monday 30th March to be in with the chance of winning an Easter Egg.

There will be 1 prize per class and everyone who enters will receive a small chocolate prize.

Mrs Gerver will be judging the entries on 30th March (in the morning) so start decorating and GOOD LUCK!

#### Farewell!

We are unfortunately saying goodbye to Mrs Ruddle who officially leaves at the end of term. She has been unwell for some time now, and has taken the difficult decision to give up teaching for the time being and focus on regaining her health. I'm sure you will all join with us in wishing her well.

### **Staff Car Park**

Please can we remind all parents and carers that the car park is for staff and visitors only. It should not be used, without school's permission, for picking up from clubs such as Soccerstars, Premier Sports or the after school club.

### Parking on Vicarage Road

We are pleased to be able to tell those of you who don't know, that the Council have responded to the many complaints you have made about congestion and unsafe parking/driving outside school, and installed a CCTV camera. This is part of their Safe Haven Outside Schools initiative. Fines will be issued if parents park or drop off on the red tarmac zone.