

# Littlemoor Academy Newsletter

### A positive start for our new Nursery children!

We have welcomed seventeen new children into our Nursery this half-term. They are our 'Early Starters' who will benefit from five terms in our Nursery setting. We have been really impressed with how they have settled. They enter school with confidence and have made significant progress over the last six weeks.

Don't forget to look at our Twitter feed, @Littlemoor Acad for weekly updates on the learning of these children and all the other year groups in school.

We wish all our families a lovely half-term and look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 8:45am.

Kind regards, Carol Ann Turner Executive Head Teacher



Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March: Birds of Prey to visit

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March:** Happy Chick Company to deliver eggs!

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March:** Skip2Bfit Workshop including parental sessions

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March:** Campsmount Dance Show

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March:** School closes for the Easter holidays and reopens on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

2<sup>nd</sup> May -26<sup>th</sup> May: Y2 SATs Period

Please refer to the calendar on our school website for details of more events.



#### **Our Littlemoor Five Non-Negotiables:**

- **1.** Children arrive on time, wearing their school uniform.
- 2. Children bring their book bag and water bottle to school every day.
- 3. PE kit is brought to school on a Monday and remains in school until Friday.
- **4.** Children read at least 3 times each week.
- **5.** The Seesaw app is accessed at least weekly.



## **#TEAMLITTLEMOOR**

Our Christmas raffle and craft sale raised over £750 thank you for your generosity. We are using the money to enhance the children's learning experiences and have booked The Happy Chick Company for next half-term. They will provide fertilised eggs and an incubator to help the children learn about life-cycles.

PE is a key part of our curriculum and the children enjoyed a Skip2Bfit and Box2Bfit day on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January. There are some wonderful photos on our Twitter feed. (@LittlemoorAcad).

Parents' Evenings were held on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> February and were really well attended. Thanks to the many parents and carers who took the time to complete a parent survey at these events - we really value your feedback.





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## **Y1 PARENTS ENJOYED A JOIN-IN SESSION!**



Our Y1 children have enjoyed their recent history unit of work, learning about toys past and present. To complete their toys topic, parents were invited into school to play with a range of old toys and games.

The children and adults played a selection of games with their parents including snakes and ladders, Jack straws, blow football and Frustration.

Thank you to all the parents who attended and had so much fun!

**Governing Body:** Are you, or any of your friends or family, interested in being a school Governor? Being a Governor can be an extremely rewarding experience and you will develop different transferrable skills which is great for your personal development. Please get in touch with the School Office for more information.

## ASPIRE

We are proud to announce that we have created an Eco Council with these children being our Eco Warriors. The children meet with our Sustainability Champion, Miss Mulvey, to discuss sustainability initiatives.

We are taking part in the Great British Spring Clean in March.



We continue to encourage the children to walk to school and have been awarded the Modeshift Stars Bronze Award in January, for promoting active travel.

# **TEACHING AND LEARNING**

We are passionate about early reading and our January Training Day focused on phonics teaching.

It is so important that all parents and carers are supporting the children's reading progress. Teachers regularly upload phonics videos onto Seesaw and are always keen to support parents.

We are pleased to announce that we have received additional funding to purchase some new reading books for the children.

We strive for all children to read at least 3 times each week.



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