



## Inspire Believe Achieve

Our aim is to inspire and encourage our children to believe in their ability to succeed through learning. This vision will enable them to achieve and succeed in reaching their full potential and beyond, now and for their future.

March/ April 2020

### Head of School Update

With a wet and windy half term behind us, it's time to begin looking ahead to the summer term and the start of our swimming season! The swimming pool committee have organised a number of events to help raise much needed funds to run and maintain the amazing asset of our pool. Children are invited to take part in our annual sponsored Easter Bunny Hunt at the end of term. Sponsor sheets and detailed information about this event has already been sent home and the children are already looking forward to it. Y6 pupils spent part of their half term break on their residential visit at Hilltop, Norfolk where they took part in many adventurous activities. Behaviour was, as always, excellent and staff were very proud of how well they embraced the challenges. Huge thanks to Mr Ruck, Mrs Porter and Mrs Roberts who gave up their time to support the children on this visit. Without such dedicated staff, events such as this could not take place.

We will also be supporting Sport Relief by getting our kit on! Children are invited to come to school on 13<sup>th</sup> March in their favourite sporty clothing for the price of a £1 donation to this worthwhile cause. Throughout the day children will be active doing a number of challenges, weather permitting.

With the Easter break just a few weeks away, we would like to invite you all to join us in celebrating this special time of year at our Easter Service at St Mary's Church on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March, starting at 9.30am.

And finally, we are delighted to welcome Mrs Koca to our staff team. She will be supporting pupils across the school in her role as HLTA as well as Y6 pupils during morning lessons.

### Safeguarding

We believe that safeguarding is an important part of our work with children and young adults so will keep this reminder in all of our newsletters. Safeguarding is the responsibility of all of us. If you have concerns about the safety of any child, you should let somebody know. Both Mrs Flack and Mrs Adie are the designated safeguarding officers within the school.

### Term Dates:

Term 4: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February to Thursday 2nd April

Term 5: Monday 20th April to Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May

Term 6: Monday 1st June to Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July

### Other Dates:

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| 13th March                               | Sport Relief day                  |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> March                   | Y3/4 trip to Flag Fen             |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> March                   | KS2 Cross Country event           |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> /26 <sup>th</sup> March | Parents' evenings 4-7pm           |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> March                   | Easter Service (9.30am at church) |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar/ 1 <sup>st</sup> Ap | Y3/4 Performance pm               |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> April                    | Sponsored Bunny Hunt              |
|  | End of term                       |

### Coronavirus Update

The School is continuing to monitor the situation regarding the Coronavirus very closely and are following all Public Health England, DfE and Local Health Protection Team advice. At the time of writing, the situation has not changed since term began. The situation is evolving all the time and we continue to keep abreast of the situation. The Government have issued their action plan but it does not require schools to do anything different at this time. The school will continue with all its current activities, including school trips until we are advised otherwise. Personal hygiene is still the best way to tackle Coronavirus. Hand washing needs to be carried out effectively and regularly and all coughs and sneezes need to be treated by 'catch it, bin it, kill it'. We have asked the children to sing "Happy Birthday" while they wash their hands, in order to ensure that they are washing them thoroughly. The latest Government advice can be found

at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public>

If you have any queries or questions the DfE have set up a phone line service on 0800 046 8687 or you can e-mail them on [DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk](mailto:DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk) for any education related queries.

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