



# DANESHOLME INFANT ACADEMY

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Remember our target for  
2019-2020 is **96%**!

Whole school attendance - **93%**

Best class for Term 1 - Oak **96%**

## The Viking Way

4<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Issue: Term 2 19/20

### Principal's Message:

Without a doubt we work with the most amazing children, who work hard, have fabulous manners and tackle (with vigour) all the challenges the teachers set them.

We have had a fabulous start to the new Academic year and the children have made significant progress. Throughout the first term they have also had the disruption of the building works and the noise that that has brought.

The Trust has visited and is really pleased with the changes we have put in place to answer some of the suggestions that Ofsted made. Most significantly the push on reading and the competitions we have put in place to ensure our children are really keen to read regularly. As always we appreciate the support you give your children at home.

From *Mrs C May*.

### Macmillan Coffee Afternoon.

Our Macmillan coffee afternoon was well supported and we made an amazing sum of £330. Most of us know someone that has been touched by cancer and we hope this money will go towards giving much needed support to those affected. Thank you for all your donations it was really appreciated.

**WORLD'S BIGGEST  
COFFEE  
MORNING**

**MACMILLAN  
CANCER SUPPORT**

### DOGS!

**We have a child with a severe allergy to dogs - please DO NOT bring your dog onto our Academy premises. Please ensure any family, friends or childminders that bring or meet your child from school is informed of this. We have had people being abusive when asked not to enter with their dog. Thank you.**

### Coats

Please ensure that your child has a coat in school every day. Even the sunniest winter days are often too cold for our children to be outside without a coat on.

## Career Week.

We are looking forward to our Career Week which starts on Monday November 11<sup>th</sup>. The week starts with a 'What's My Line' Assembly for our Year 2 children. We have invited 8 volunteers in to the Academy, all with interesting jobs.

They will sit at the front of the assembly and the children will be given the opportunity to ask them questions to try and work out what their career is - the only catch is that the volunteers are only allowed to give 'yes' or 'no' answers. After 10 minutes the volunteers leave the room and the children have to decide what professions they think the volunteers have. The volunteers return in their uniforms (if they have one or bring in their work equipment and then share with the children their job.

Without letting on who is coming we are also challenging stereotypes - for instance there might be a male nurse or a female fighter pilot.

## Building Works.

Our building works continue as we enter the second term. We hope to have the hall back on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November. It has been enlarged and new flooring has been laid. We were able to have a sneaky peal this weekend and it looks amazing - no more than our children deserve. We are looking forward to sharing it with you as we have events this term.

During this term the library area will be created, so we will still have an element of noise during some of our learning times, but the builders do as much as they can before 9:30 and after 3:30 so disruption is kept to a minimum.

The new nursery and reception class are slightly behind schedule due to the inclement weather during October. However, the nursery now has the roof on so internal works can begin. We appreciate your help in the changes we have had to make to ensure our children get into and out of the building safely at the beginning and end of the day.

This is a snap shot of the new hall extension.



The children in Pear Tree Class have been able to watch the workmen through their window and for any of you with children in that class I hope they have kept you informed of all what has been going on. Unfortunately for a couple of weeks they are having a false wall put up in their classroom to enable the builders to join the new reception class to the main school.

## PARENT CLASS ASSEMBLIES.

Please join us for your child's class assembly.  
Prompt 9am start.

## ASSEMBLY DATES FOR AUTUMN TERM 2.

08.11.19 - Palm Tree Class Assembly.  
15.11.19 - Olive Tree Class Assembly.  
22.11.19 - Maple Tree Class Assembly.  
29.11.19 - Willow Tree Class Assembly.

## OTHER DATES FOR AUTUMN TERM 2.

11.11.19 - Career Week.  
12.11.19 - Career Dress up day.  
15.11.19 - Children in Need - Spotty Day.  
09.12.19 - Whole Academy Pantomime.  
10.12.19 - Christmas Fayre 3.30-5.00  
11.12.19 - Reception Production.  
12.12.19 - Reception Production.  
13.12.19 - Christmas Jumper Day.  
16.12.19 - Christmas Parties.  
17.12.19 - Christmas Dinner.

**We may add more events to this list and will endeavour to give you as much notice as we can.**

## Children Arriving Late.

We are still having a significant number of children arriving late. This has a significant impact on their learning, some children missed over 200 minutes last term. Every minute counts in your child's education please ensure your child isn't one of the children disadvantaged due to you bringing them to school late. Thank you.