

Ecclesbourne Primary School Newsletter 29th March 2019



## **Dear Parents and Carers,**

It seems like we have finally shaken off the worst of Winter and can now look forward to Spring and Summer. The dry weather has meant we even managed to get the children out on to the field at playtime this week. As ever, we've had lots of exciting things going on in school. This week alone, we have the Cavemen visiting, Year 6 watching a Shakespearean play and Venus performing their class assembly. Last week, Year 3 visited the Buddhist temple and we had a Bubbleworks assembly for the whole school. With all the enriching experiences the children have, alongside working hard in their lessons it's important that when the time comes everyone gets a good rest. With that in mind, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a restful break over the upcoming Easter holidays.

<u>The Daily Mile</u> As you may be aware, some of the children have been out and about during the school day trying to complete a daily mile challenge. Over the Easter break, we hope to have some new markings laid out for the children to follow. We will then move towards encouraging the children to complete some daily exercise and measuring the impact of this. Studies show that regular exercise not only helps with fitness but it can also improve learning by helping concentration and focus. So far, the children have been really enthusiastic about their exercise and we hope that it will support them to be ready for challenges in the classroom.

<u>Comic Relief</u> Thank you to everyone who donated to Comic Relief. It was lovely to see all the children doing their bit to raise money for the vital work of this charity. We managed to raise £340 and this will go towards projects in the UK and abroad to provide support for those in need.

<u>Head Lice</u> Like all schools full of children, we occasionally have to deal with the common problem of an outbreak of head lice. Although they are largely harmless, head lice can live in the hair for a long time if not treated and can be irritating and frustrating to deal with. Please help us by regularly checking your child's hair and treating where necessary. Information on how to treat your child can be found on the NHS website or you can ask your pharmacist for more information. <u>https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/skin-hair-and-nails/head-lice-and-nits#treating-head-lice-and-nits</u>

**Football Match** Congratulations to the children who represented the school in the football match on Monday night. The team battled their way to a hard-fought 2-1 victory over Broadmead Primary School. It has been a tough season for the team but everyone worked hard for a well-deserved win. There were some particular stand out performances notably from Timi in goal and Luca in defence. A couple of well taken finishes from Lashawn managed to seal the victory. Well done!

**The Parent Questionnaire** Many thanks to all the parents who have already completed the parental questionnaire. We have had over 100 responses but we would like a few more. This is a useful exercise for us and the Trust as a whole as it helps to identify any particular concerns that parents have. If you haven't already completed the survey, there is still time to do so. The survey will close on Friday the 19th April. It can be found by clicking on the link at our website <u>www.pegasusacademytrust.org.</u>

## Other events in the coming weeks

Friday 5th April - End of spring term Tuesday 23rd April - start of the summer term Monday 6th May – May Day Bank Holiday - school closed Week Beginning Monday 13th May Year 6 SATs week Friday 24th May- End of half term Monday 3rd June– Back to school

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