



NEWSTEAD PRIMARY ACADEMY

JANUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to your first newsletter of 2019 and a welcome back to all of the children. I trust that you will have had a fantastic break with family and friends and made the most of time to celebrate. For those of you who have made New Years' Resolutions, the very best of luck in persevering with them. To inspire you at the start of the new year, here's a quote from Walt Disney, which should help motivate you for the year ahead! **"All our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them!"**

All staff at the academy look forward to working with you again this year to ensure the very best for your children!

Yours sincerely

Mrs Helen Stocking Miss Suzanne Rawlings
Executive Head Teacher Head of School

DISNEYLAND ADVENTURE 2019

Just one week to go until we begin our travels again! All children due to travel on Monday 14th January 2019, please ensure children arrive to board the coach at 5:45am, at school. Details for the visit in Spring 2020 will follow.



DATES TO REMEMBER THIS TERM...



Week Beginning January 14th 2019 – All after school clubs begin

January 14th – 18th 2019 – Year 4/5/6 Visit to Paris

February 6th 2018 – Safer Internet Day

February 14th 2019 – Assessment profiles home for the spring term – please return on Monday February 25th 2019

Thursday 14th February – Last day of term

Half Term: *We will be closed on Friday 15th February and reopen for children on Monday 25th February 2019*

Monday 8th April – Parents' Evening 3.30-6.00pm

Tuesday 9th April – Parents' Evening 3.30-6.00pm



(We will send a text when appointments can be made at the school office)

Week Beginning April 1st 2019 – Final week of after school clubs

Easter Holidays: *We will close on Friday 12th April and reopen for children on Monday April 29th 2019.*

As it is the start of a New Year, here is a reminder of our school rules:

The Golden Rules that help us to

'ensuring everyone reaches their full potential...'

We always tell the truth.

We respect everybody by showing kindness and respect.

We give everything our all!

These rules are not just for the children – please keep them in mind when you are on the playground, using the car park, or in school.

DON'T FORGET YOU CAN FIND LOTS OF INFORMATION ONLINE!



www.newstead.stoke.sch.uk will take you directly to our academy's website where you can always check back on our newsletters, class information (including topics and class newsletters) and lots more information about our school!

Our new-look website will be coming later this term!

Follow these **rules** to keep yourself **e-safe!** 

Always tell the truth

Tell an adult; a teacher or a parent if you see anything that makes you feel uncomfortable.

Make sure an adult knows which websites you're using and that they are appropriate for your age.

Respect everybody; showing kindness and manners

Once you write something using technology, it is there forever; think carefully about what you write where so that nobody's feelings are hurt.

Respect each other's privacy; log-in on your own account and save your work in the right place.

Give everything your all!

Technology is great; enjoy it! But make sure, if things go wrong, you know the places to go and the people to speak to who can help you.

SAFETY FIRST!



There is no denying that we all use the internet more and more in our everyday lives – this includes your children. Are you aware of what they are accessing online? Are you able to support them in knowing how to use the internet safely?

To the left are our e-safety rules – they're on display throughout school and I hope they're useful for you in supporting your child with safe internet use at home.



PARKING



When using the car park and the surrounding streets, please be mindful of others. I have had several phone calls from residents.

Careful parking & general courtesy to others will help ensure all our children are kept safe inside and outside of school. Very few schools have a car parking facility, so please use it respectfully.

OUT AND ABOUT THIS TERM

As well as being busy inside the building, we are also busy getting the children out and about on educational visits! Here's the list of where everyone is going this term:

Nursery – **Manchester Airport**

Reception – **Reaseheath Farm**

Year 1 – **Ford Green Hall, the Fire Station and Sudbury Toy Museum**

Year 2 – **Norbury Junction**

Year 3 – **Stratford-upon-Avon to Shakespeare's Home**

Year 4 – **Wind in the Willows at the New Vic Theatre and Liverpool day visit**

Year 5 – **Warwick Castle**

Year 6 – **Orienteering and Exploring and Deep Hayes Country Park and Go Ape! At Cannock Chase**

ATTENDANCE

REMINDER!

Last term lots of children celebrated outstanding attendance of 97% to 100% in our awards service. I'd like to see even more achieve this at the end of this term.

To help achieve this, please remember:

- ✓ Arrive at school for gam
- ✓ Call us if your child will be off school on **01782 235490**
- ✓ Avoid absences including holidays in term time – there are new rules about this which I will share in a separate letter with you.