

Dear Parents/Carers,



Donisthorpe Village Fun Day

On Sunday 8th September, the school choir opened the Donisthorpe Village Fun Day. It was lovely to see so many families and children there. The children sang beautifully and the whole day was a real success. Thank you to Miss Bloor for all of her efforts preparing the choir for the event.

The **Tempest Photographer** will be in school on Thursday 26th September. Parents wishing to include pre-school siblings may do so before the start of the school day from 8.15am in Room 1.

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Calling all bakers! If anyone can donate or make any cakes, tray-bakes, cookies, brownies or cupcakes for our Macmillan Coffee afternoon on Thursday 26th September we would be extremely grateful. The coffee afternoon will be held at school in room 1 from 2.00pm – 3.00pm. Please come along, relax, enjoy a coffee, cake and chat whilst supporting a very worthy cause.



Harvest Festival 2019- EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 children



You are all welcome to join us at **9.30am** on **Monday 7th October** at St John's Church in Donisthorpe for this year's Harvest Festival. We will be collecting tinned goods, dried foods and other non-perishables to donate to the **Marlene Reid Centre** for the Homeless. Any parents/carers attending the service may take donations directly to the church on Monday 7th October. If you are not attending the service please send food donations to school with your children and we will transport produce to the church to be distributed by church members.

We still need a few volunteers to walk with the children and staff down to the church on Monday. We will be leaving school at 9.00am so that the children can be seated and ready to start at 9.30am.

Parents Evening

Tuesday 8th October and **Wednesday 9th October** is Parents Evening. This is a chance to talk to your child's class teacher and look at your children's work. Information with details of how to book an appointment will be sent home with your child shortly.



Illness

Since the start of the new term we have had an increasing number of cases of sickness within the school. If your child has been sick, government guidelines for schools state that 'children should stay away from school for 2 days after their symptoms have gone'.

Further advice and information can be found on the NHS website. Please remember to inform the school office if your child is absent.

Contact Information

Please remember to regularly update the school office in writing if there are any changes to the contact details we have on record for your child, including people on your contact list who have permission to collect your child from school.

End of Key Stage SATS

SATs week for our current Year 6 children will take place in the week beginning Monday 11th May 2020. National testing for Year 2 children will take place during the month of May 2020. We will be holding information meetings regarding testing arrangements for Year 6 and Year 2 later on in the school year.

Apply for a School Place – Primary/Secondary

The deadline for applying for a *Secondary School* place is **31st October 2019**. The deadline for applying for a *Primary School* place is **15th January 2020**. For both applications, the simplest way is online at: www.leics.gov.uk/admissions. If you need any further information, please contact the Admissions team on admissions@leics.gov.uk or 0116 305 6684.

As always, if you have any questions or queries, do not hesitate to talk to me or to your child's class teacher.

Sylvie Newman

Executive Headteacher