

Dear Parents and Carers,

With the summer holiday on the horizon we are doing all that we can to help prepare the children for next year. Staff have been meeting to hand over information about the children, such as medical, academic and more personal information. We work hard to ensure that your child's new classteacher has all of the information that they need to give your child the best start possible to the new academic year. Class teachers are really looking forward to meeting their new classes on move up morning next week. The children will bring a letter home from their new class teacher at the end of the day.

### Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June- Move up Day

Your child will come into school as normal and be registered by their current class teacher. At 9.10am the children will be taken into the hall and will be collected by their new teacher. They will spend time in their new classroom, becoming familiar with new staff and routines. Staff have planned a range of fun activities that are going to wet the appetite of the children and have them excited about the prospect of returning to school at the end of August!

All staff are working hard over these final few weeks to ease any anxieties and send everyone off to their summer holiday feeling happy and confident!

### End of year reports

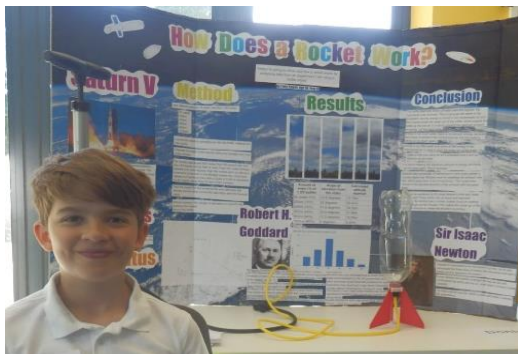
End of year reports will come home on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June**. I will send out a link for you to write a comment about the report and they will also be an option to have a telephone conversation with your child's class teacher about their report. These calls will take place in the last week of term.

### Ashby School Science Fair



Earlier this week, three of our year 5/6 pupils enjoyed a fabulous, science filled day at Ashby School's Science Fair along with children from primary schools across Leicestershire. Yet again our children did us proud. They spoke about their chosen subject with such confidence and as ever, their behaviour and manners were impeccable.

We were so thrilled when one of our finalists claimed first prize, what an incredible achievement! As Science Co-ordinator, Mrs Lavender felt very proud of them all.



**Thank you** to Miss Nickolls for attending the event with the children and to the parents for all their support, helping to make it such a memorable occasion.



## Sports Day



Sports Day on Thursday 23rd June was another resounding success! The weather conditions were perfect whilst the children jumped, hopped, skipped and ran with enormous smiles on their faces! The children were cheered on by a huge crowd of parents, grandparents and friends; I think it was the biggest turnout yet, and so lovely to see after the pandemic! There really was a wonderful atmosphere! Well done to all the children who took part! Thank you to Mrs Heath, Miss Morton and Mr Sherlock for their great organisation and to the whole staff team for pulling

together to ensure the event ran smoothly and to the PTFA for their welcome refreshments!

## Area Athletics at Saffron Lane

Well done to all of the children who took part in this year's Area Athletics championships at Saffron Lane Stadium in Leicester last week. The children showed excellent sportsmanship, were brilliantly behaved and performed to the best of their abilities. Well done to all of the children and to the staff who gave up the time to take the children to the event and the huge crowd of parents who came to cheer the children on! Good work Team Donisthorpe!

## School dinner costs

Unfortunately, the impact of rising costs means that we will be putting up the cost of school meals from the Autumn Term. **The new cost will be £2.50 per day, £12.50 per week starting from when school reopens in August.**

## School Uniform- please see the school website for the full policy

The Donisthorpe School Uniform is available to purchase from **Ashby Schoolwear** in Ashby or **Pupils Schoolwear** in Swadlincote.

The uniform is:

- ✓ Royal blue Donisthorpe Primary School cardigan/sweatshirt with/without logo (An optional logoed Fleece is also available from suppliers)
- ✓ White shirt or polo shirt with/without logo or royal blue polo shirt with/without logo
- ✓ Grey/black trousers, shorts, pinafore or skirt
- ✓ White/grey/black socks or white/grey/black/royal blue tights
- ✓ Blue checked summer dress
- ✓ Black school shoes

*Please note light/pale blue polo shirts are NOT acceptable.*

**Please name all items, including shoes and coats, to ensure lost items can be identified and quickly returned to their owner!**

## Footwear

Children should wear black school **shoes** for school. They should not wear heeled shoes, 'Ugg' style boots, knee-high boots or trainers. In the winter boots may be worn to school and changed into for break/lunch times. (If in doubt please speak to the Headteacher before purchasing footwear.)



## PE Uniform

PE kits are essential. PE kits should be named and stored in a named PE bag. A School PE bag can be purchased from our uniform suppliers.

### Indoor

- ✓ Blue school logo PE shirt (or plain royal blue/white T-Shirt)
- ✓ Blue or black shorts
- ✓ Plimsolls

### Outdoor

- ✓ Blue school logo PE shirt (or plain royal blue/white T-Shirt)
- ✓ Blue or black shorts/track suit or jogging bottoms with sweatshirt
- ✓ Trainers

***The school reserves the right to require pupils to change any items of clothing, headgear or footwear, which are considered unsuitable for school wear.***

*\*We believe that parents should not struggle with the cost of school uniform. A selection of nearly new uniform is available from school- please contact school for more information or if you need any support or advice.*

*If anyone has any Donisthorpe School uniform that is in excellent condition and their child has grown out of, please see Mrs Heath next week, who will be happy to accept your donations.*

Regards,



Sylvie Newman  
Executive Headteacher

<b>Diary dates</b>		
<b>29.06.22</b>	Year 6 transition day (Ivanhoe/Ashby School/Ibstock)	All day
<b>30.06.22</b>	Year 6 transition day (Ivanhoe/Ashby School/Ibstock)	All day
<b>30.06.22</b>	Years 1-5 move up morning	
<b>01.07.22</b>	EYFS into Year 1 additional move up morning	
<b>01.07.22</b>	Last EYFS/Year 1 Forest School session this year	
<b>05.07.22</b>	Year 6 Leavers Show	6.00pm
<b>07.07.22</b>	Year 6 Reward Day at Drayton Manor	All day
<b>08.07.22</b>	Year 6 Leavers celebration in school	
<b>08.07.22</b>	Last day of term	3.10pm
<b>Summer Holiday</b>		
<b>30.08.22</b>	School reopens to children	Doors open at 8.35am