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PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Drop off and collection

Children seem to be arriving well before their drop off time in a morning. This means that adults are socialising outside school for a lengthy period of time and we are trying to avoid this.

I would like to remind parents that children are still in their care until they enter the school gates and once they leave on an evening. The front of the school is a cycle path so please remind your children of this as I have noticed a small number of children on the front unsupervised and riding their bikes or scooters right across the front.

Parent Governor

Dunswell Academy has a position for a parent governor on their Local Governing Board (LGB). I feel that we are currently not in the position to have a vote for a position if there was a lot of interest in the position. Therefore, I would currently just like to gauge interest for the role by asking for expressions of interest to be emailed to the school office (office@dunswellacademy.co.uk) This will allow the school to see what interest for the position is like and voting can be held at a later date when all parents are able to engage more with one another.

Parents' Evenings

There are still a small number of people who haven't signed up for a parents' evening appointment. Please do this using the links provided last week.

You will all be sent out the link for your Parents' Evening appointments by Monday. Please ensure that you take time to check the link works and practise logging on **BEFORE** the actual meeting. When you do join ensure that your microphone and video options are on so that you can be seen and heard. The time slots are strictly ten minutes and teachers will have to adhere to this as the next parent will be waiting to enter the meeting.

COVID Update

Should your child or anyone in the family home display COVID symptoms, please contact the school to ensure that the correct procedures are followed.

Following government guidance, windows in the classrooms are open to allow a well-ventilated room. As the colder weather approaches, please ensure that children are prepared for colder weather with perhaps a fleece or additional jumper.

Harvest Festival

On Thursday 22nd October, each class will hold their own Harvest Assembly in their classroom. The children will sing and celebrate harvest altogether. On the morning of the assembly, we ask that children bring an item of food which will be donated to the East Yorkshire Foodbank. There will be a box outside school for donations to be placed in and they will be collected by the food bank that day. Please refer to the poster and foods listed sent with 9th October Newsletter.

Future dates

Monday 19th October – Parents' Evening (Teams) **Class 4 only**

Tuesday 20th October – Parents' Evening (to be held on MS Teams)

Wednesday 21st October – Parents' Evening (to be held on MS Teams)

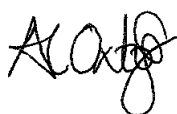
Thursday 22nd October – Class harvest assemblies in schools with donations for the East Yorkshire Foodbank

Thursday 22nd October – School closes for half term

Monday 2nd November – school opens

We strongly recognise the part which parents play in their child's education. We can work together as a partnership to ensure that we all promote high standards of learning, behaviour and attitudes towards school so that all children can be the very best.

Yours sincerely



Alison Oxtoby
Head Teacher