# AMOTHERBY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL www.amotherby.n-yorks.sch.uk NEWSLETTER 8<sup>th</sup> January 2016



# We are looking forward to working with you in 2016!!

The children have returned to school very excited to tell us about their holiday. In our first assembly of 2016 we discussed making New Year resolutions for ourselves, our school and the world. I want to share their thoughts with you:

- To raise more money for charities and give to people who really need it
- To help people in school, adults and children
- To be nice, kind and helpful at home
- · To be kind and helpful to new people I meet

## Congratulations to our Road Safety Competition Winners December 2015

Year 5 Road Safety Officers, Jessica McWilliams and Dominic Brambles organised a whole school Road Safety Competition and announced the winners on the last day of term. Well done to:

Reception - Florrie Purvis

Year 1 Chloe Smith

**Year 2 Lenny Fox** 

Year 3 Isabel Hill

**Year 4 Harriet Ward** 

Year 5 Isabel Ward

Year 6 Freya Anthony

<u>Deputy Director of Children and Young People's Services</u> We are very pleased to welcome Jill Hodges to our school on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January. She is due to spend the morning with us, have a guided tour, meet the children and staff.

Reading Challenge The children have been very enthusiastic about taking part in the continued whole school reading challenge last term. Just to let you know we are continuing the challenge this term, so remember KEEP READING!!!

Absences from school Please can I remind you that if your child is ill and absent from school please ring the Admin team to inform them of the absence before the start of school 8.55am. If your child has a medical appointment, dance or instrumental exam during the day then please can you inform us in writing.

<u>End of Day Arrangements</u> Please could you write in your child's planner if your child's arrangements are different at the end of the day. If your circumstances change during the day then please phone school before 2.45pm, before the children go into assembly, so information can be passed to the relevant staff. We want to ensure all children get home safely. As a matter of safeguarding we will not release your child to an adult if we are not aware of the arrangements.

<u>School Dinners and Fruit</u> Next half term School Dinners will total £63 and Fruit will be £3.75.

<u>Termly Information Booklets</u> Class booklets have been sent home today, these booklets are designed to inform you of the themes your child will be experiencing in class. They also contain brief guides as to how you can support your child at home. The booklets are also available on our website under each class and a long term plan is also available to guide you through your child's year. If you require any further information please contact your child's class teacher.

<u>Panto in school – Oh no it isn't, Oh yes it is!</u> We have arranged for a visiting company to perform 'Jack and the Beanstalk' for all the children in the school hall on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January.

<u>After school clubs</u> Jujitsu will start on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January and Mrs Copley will be running choir starting Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January. All other clubs will start after half term.

### **Members of the Governing Body from January 2016**

Ann Hall - Chair of Governors
Chris Davies - Vice Chair of Governors
Sally Raines - Parent Governor
Paul Simpson - Parent Governor
Becky Bennett - Parent Governor
Linda Clarke - LA Governor
Janet Thorpe Non - Teacher Governor
Cathy Stevenson - Teacher Governor
Liz Wilson - Clerk to Governors

#### **Dates for Diaries**

**January** 

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> – Panto ' Jack and the Beanstalk'
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> – Bronze Ambassadors to Malton Sports Hall
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> - Visit by Jill Hodges
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> – Bags 2 School Collection

#### **February**

Monday 1st – National Storytelling Week Monday 8th - Chinese New Year Friday 12th - Chinese Dinner Friday 15th – School closes for Half term Monday 22nd – School opens Friday 26th – Year 4 Class Assembly

#### <u>March</u>

Friday 4th – Year 3 Class Assembly
Tuesday 8th – Scholastic Book Fair
Friday 11th – Year 6 Class Assembly
Monday 14th – Parents' Evening
Tuesday 15th – Parents' Evening
Friday 18th – Year 2 Class Assembly
Friday 18th – Family Bingo Night
Thursday 24th – Year 1 Class Assembly
Thursday 24th – End of Term

