

## **Nurture, Nature, Knowledge:**

***Enabling inquisitive thinkers and inspired learners with kind hearts.***

### **MESSAGE FROM MRS MARTIN**

As we draw to the end of this turbulent Spring Term, I feel so proud of our children, staff and families. Everyone embraced the challenges of remote learning together, with enthusiasm and resilience, and the children are now back in school with great attitudes to their learning. The Day of National Reflection gave us a dedicated space to look back on a very difficult year and I know that everyone has been affected in some way. As restrictions lift a little, I hope that you safely enjoy some quality time over the holidays, with a sense of hope and peace which is so very apt as we celebrate Easter. Thank you to everyone for the continued support and see you on 19<sup>th</sup> April.

### **ATTENDANCE**

You may remember from our last Ofsted inspection that attendance was an area of focus for us as a school. We aim for a minimum average of 97%; since full reopening on 8<sup>th</sup> March, our attendance is 96.7%.

### **AUTISM AWARENESS WEEK**

This week is World Autism Awareness Week. 1 in every 100 UK school children is autistic and we believe it is important to develop understanding and celebrate how special each and every one of our children is. Please take a look at <https://www.autism.org.uk/get-involved/raise-money/world-autism-awareness-week> if you would like to find out more.

### **SUMMER TERM WRAPAROUND CARE BOOKINGS**

Please ensure that all booking forms outlining your requirements for the Summer Term are with Mrs Stewart by Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March.

### **ST. NICHOLAS' YEAR 4 TASTER DAYS**

St. Nicholas' have now rearranged their taster days for Year 4. If your child was booked in, you will hear from them very soon with more information.

### **LETTERS TO PARENTS/CARERS**

The Following letters have been sent home with the children today:

- Parent Consultations (all)
- Bags 2 School (all)
- Stride and Ride (all)
- Swimming (KS1 and KS2)
- Change of Age update (Year 4 only – information to follow for other parents after Easter).

### **OUR THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**



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EASTER IS MEANT TO  
BE A SYMBOL OF HOPE,  
RENEWAL, AND NEW LIFE.  
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### **SCHOOL PLACES**

Parents/carers of current Nursery and Year 4 parents will receive school place offers during the Easter holidays. If your child is in Year 4 and you plan for them to stay at Himbleton, you will not receive an offer and can be assured that a place will be allocated for them.

### **CLUBS**

A reminder that all after-school clubs start week commencing Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April. Clubs are as follows:

- Monday – KS1 Mindfulness
- Wednesday – KS2 Classroom to 5k
- Thursday - Reception Multi-Skills
- Friday – KS2 Mindfulness and Yoga.

### **ASPENS**

The new lunch menu will be available on the website this week.

### **SUMMER UNIFORM**

How lovely to feel that Spring is in the air with a little bit of warmth and sunshine! A reminder that summer uniform should be worn upon the return to school on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April.

### **SICKNESS AND DIARRHOEA**

A reminder that if your child has either of the above, they should be kept at home for 48 hours.