

Dear Parents and carers

Welcome back to our new Spring Term and we all hope you had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

There are many wonderful things planned for this term, which is quite a short term. This letter is to bring these events to your attention. Please check emails from school during the term for any new events, updates and changes.

In Class 3 children in Year 5 will begin their NICAS climbing Wall award at Mill Adventure Base after half term, which I know they will enjoy. The children will travel by mini bus provided by the Mill Adventure base. The sessions are in the afternoon and children will return to school for 3.30pm- so slightly later than school finishing time.

Swimming at Dukeries Leisure Centre starts again on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January and will continue until Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February. (Children in Years 3-5 will be going with Years 2, 3, 4, and 5 from Norwell)

### **Winter Illnesses**

There has been a lot of media coverage about winter illness over the holidays and I would just like to signpost you to an article that has information, which is useful for parents.

[Back to school - 5 things to do to help manage winter illness - UK Health Security Agency \(blog.gov.uk\)](https://www.blog.gov.uk/2019/01/07/back-to-school-5-things-to-do-to-help-manage-winter-illness-uk-health-security-agency/)

We will continue to remind children to wash hands and to use tissues to catch and bin sneezes as part of our daily practice.

### **Writing Café for Parents**

The children are all using 'Dreams' as the focus for their writing in January and we would like to showcase their work at a Writing Café where you can look at the children's writing while having a coffee and refreshments. This will give you the opportunity to see how writing develops across all year groups and ask any questions you have about children's writing.

### **Sports Hall Athletic Event- Tuxford academy**

A group of KS2 (Years 3-6) children will be participating in the Athletic event held by Tuxford Academy. This will take place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January in school hours. More information to follow.

We look forward to seeing you at all the events we have organised. If you have any queries about any of the events noted in this newsletter, please get in touch with the office.

Best wishes

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### **Dates for your diary**

**Sports Hall Athletics (KS2)** Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January. 1- 3 pm.

**Safer Internet Day:** Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February

**‘Dreams’ Writing Café:** Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February. 8 am until 9am – all parents invited in to see their children’s writing.

**Young Voices Concert:** Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February. Utilita Stadium Sheffield (for those children in Years 5 & 6 who signed up) Details to follow.

**INSET Day:** Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February.

**Half Term Holidays:** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February

**Climbing Wall:** Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Year 5 children. The Mill Adventure Base Mansfield. Details and permissions to follow.

**World Book Day:** Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March (being held a day earlier than the official date due to children being out of school on the Thursday)

**Parents Evening:** Week commencing- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March. Details to follow.

**Red Nose Day:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March

**British Science Week:** Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March - 19<sup>th</sup> March. Details to follow.

**Easter Service:** Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March. St Matthews Church. 9.30 am. Details to follow.

**Easter holidays:** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April

**School reopens:** Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April.