



Mackie Hill Junior and Infant School, Painthorpe Lane, Crigglesstone, Wakefield, WF5 3HW Tel. 01924 303520

March 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your continued support, especially in supporting the school with the challenging weather conditions last week. Whilst it was fun seeing the snow, hopefully the spring weather will continue to improve without causing further disruption.

Can I also express another thank you to all families for their support in school as the staff work hard to respond to the recommendations detailed in the January Ofsted report and for responding to the Local Authority consultation regarding a possible school merger. A lot has been happening and it has been super seeing how the pupils have responded to the changes to the school site and their learning in lessons.

Key Dates for Families:

- **Tuesday 6th March:** World Book Day, in school.
- **Friday 9th-Sunday 11th March:** Robin Wood residential for 40 pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6. Pupils depart at 9.15am and coffee/tea is available for families from 8.30am, in the school hall. This will be a great experience for our pupils.
- **Monday 19th March:** INSET day for all staff. School closed to pupils. Staff will be working on behaviour/rewards policies and team curriculum planning.
- **Wednesday 21st - Friday 23rd March:** School Book Fair displays will be set up for families to view and purchase books at the end of each school day. A super way to help encourage your child to develop a love of reading.
- **Monday 26th March:** Foundation stage visit to Cannon Hall Farm. If families have any questions regarding this trip then do please contact Mrs Vasey, at school.
- **Tuesday 27th March:** Parents' Evening for all pupils. An ideal opportunity to speak with your child's teacher and to look at what they have been learning in school. From 3.30pm to 7.00pm. We look forward to seeing you in school.
- **Wednesday 28th March:** School class photographs for all classes.

Mrs Maxine Barker: Maxine has decided to leave Mackie Hill Primary School to explore other educational opportunities and to further develop her professional and personal development elsewhere. We, along with her colleagues wish her all the best for the future.

Amalgamation of Mackie Hill Junior and Infant School with Kettlethorpe High School: The Local Authority proposal is available on their website. Parents/carers with strong points of view on this matter, are encouraged to express these by writing to:

The School's Organisation Team
Room 205, County Hall
Bond Street
Wakefield
WF1 2QW.

You may also want to raise this matter with:

Mary Creagh MP
20-22 Cheapside
Wakefield
WF1 2TF
Email: mary@marycreagh.co.uk

Again, thank you, as families, for your continued support for the work of the school. Do please contact the school if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's education.

Very best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Tudor Griffiths
Acting Executive Headteacher