



Humberstone Infant Academy - Spring Term Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

As the Spring term comes to a close, we wanted to take a moment to reflect on the past few weeks. It has been a short term, however it has been a busy and great one for all of us here at the school.

Exciting adventures were had by pupils across all year groups this term! Our fabulous F2's embarked on a thrilling journey to Tropical Birdland, immersing themselves in the vibrant world of exotic bird species. Inspired by the incredible local artist Angela Harding, known for her stunning bird prints, our budding artists unleashed their creativity by crafting their very own avian masterpieces!

Meanwhile, our intrepid Year 1 explorers set off to the Attenborough Arts Centre for an unforgettable gallery experience. Engaging in an observational drawing workshop, they honed their artistic skills amidst a backdrop of captivating artwork. Back at school, they showcased their toys at a lively Toy Exhibition, entertaining parents with tales of their favourite playthings.



Not to be outdone, our adventurous Year 2's embarked on an exciting expedition to Leicester City Centre, delving into the city's rich geographical tapestry. Armed with Ordnance Survey Maps, they navigated the streets, uncovering hidden treasures and landmarks along the way. Back in the classroom, they were treated to an awe-inspiring watercolour workshop by a talented expert from the Leicestershire Craft Centre, exploring a myriad of painting techniques. Additionally, they were enthralled by an interactive session on the historic Great Fire of London, delivered by right in the heart of our school!

A group of our families also had the opportunity to visit Stonehurst Farm during a Family Learning day. During their visit, they had the chance to meet and feed the animals, explore nature trails, and also visit the motor museum. It was a fantastic day out that provided both fun and educational experiences.

We believe that such trips play a vital role in enhancing our students' learning and exposing them to new and exciting experiences. We are grateful for the support of our parent community in making such outings possible for our students.



The Spring term concluded with a delightful Easter breakfast at our school. Our Breakfast Club children and families had the opportunity to enjoy a continental breakfast, participate in fun Easter activities, and were even visited by the Easter Bunny himself, who generously brought along chocolates for all to enjoy.



What an action-packed term of learning and exploration for all our pupils! We can't wait to see where the next adventure takes us!

Reminders

Clubs

This was the final week of our afterschool clubs. The Summer clubs will commence in the week beginning Monday 15th April.

Please make sure to fill in the form of interest by Monday 8th April. We will be contacting you during the week to confirm places.

Eid

We are aware that Eid will be celebrated between the 9th and 11th of April, depending on the moon sighting. As a reminder, any absences during this period must be requested in advance. Please ensure that you complete the leave of absence form on ParentMail to notify us of any planned absences. May we take this opportunity to also remind you that we will only authorise **one day**, any additional days taken will be recorded as unauthorised absence.

Walk to School/Park and Stride

As the weather begins to improve, we would like to take this opportunity to encourage our families to consider walking to school. Not only does walking help alleviate traffic and parking issues, but it also offers numerous benefits for our mental and physical health and well-being.

Walking to school provides a wonderful opportunity for parents and children to connect, bond, and get some fresh air before the start of the day. It promotes physical activity, which is essential for overall health and development, as well as helps to reduce stress and anxiety levels, contributing to better mental well-being.

We understand that walking to school may not be feasible for everyone due to distance or time constraints. However, even incorporating walking part of the way or on certain days can make a positive impact on health and well-being. We'd like to remind you that we have a Park and Stride facility at Monks Rest car park, which is located half way down Vicarage Lane on the left hand side.

F2 and Year 3 Admission Confirmations

Parents and carers of children in Nursery and Year 2 are due to receive confirmations from Admissions on Tuesday 16th April. We ask that you email your acceptance rather than call. We will then be in touch with further information.

Coming up next half term

School Reopens	<i>Monday 8th April</i>
Eid Al Fitr	<i>Between Tuesday 9th and Thursday 11th April (depending on the moon sighting)</i>
Clubs	<i>Clubs begin the week commencing Monday 15th April and will finish on Thursday 11th July</i>
F2 Admission Offer Day	<i>Tuesday 16th April - Please email office@humberstoneinfantacademy.co.uk to accept the offer</i>
Year 3 Admission Offer Day	<i>Tuesday 16th April - Please email office@humberstoneacademy.co.uk to accept the offer</i>
Special Menu	<i>World Earth Day – 22nd April</i>
May Day Bank Holiday	<i>Monday 6th May</i>
Year 2 Trip	<i>Botanical Gardens - Tuesday 7th May</i>
School closes for half term	<i>Friday 24th May</i>

We would like to wish you all a lovely Easter break and we look forward to seeing you on **Monday 8th April**.

Yours sincerely,

Miss A Williams
Executive Head