

# Discovery Special Academy Newsletter Spring 1 2022



## Spring 1

Spring 1 continued to present some challenges with staffing across the academy. We want to thank you for you support and patience during this time. Despite this, the children have still had access to some amazing activities and experiences including swimming, therapy dogs, trips and visits to supermarkets, sensory and soft play, road safety and a lot more.

We look forward to continuing these in spring 2 and hopefully adding to this with more exciting trips and visits.

## **Coffee Morning**

We will be holding our next parent <u>coffee morning on Friday 18th March 9:30am—10:45</u>. We will be inviting Families Connect to talk about the support they can offer to families and to the academy. There will be information about Daisy Chain and how to access this service too. We are hoping to have a second morning in spring or very early summer focused on reading and how you can support your child in this area.



#### **Discovery blog**

We have started a Discovery blog on our website news page. Each week we will add photographs showing what one of our classes has been doing. We will also add key dates for the diary and add the names of our explorers of the week. We will continue to develop the blog over the coming term.

https://www.discoveryspecialacademy.org.uk/academy-news/



We hope that you all have a fabulous half term, we look forward to seeing you all again on our <u>return on Monday 28th February.</u>

## Road safety







Our key stage 2 children have been learning about road safety in the academy and the local community. They all went out to Normanby to experience this. They have learnt to Stop, Look, Listen and Think before crossing the road. Well done Key Stage 2.

#### Academy voting and pupil voice

The Junior Leadership Team chose some new toys and playground equipment that the children might like to have. Each class then voted on which equipment they wanted. The winning toys were announced and we will now be buying these for each class to enjoy. We have also been voting for our favourite books.











# <u>Music</u>

Each week our trust music expert visits the academy to work with some of our classes. The children love these sessions and it helps them to develop listening skills, focus and attention as well as communication and self-confidence to perform.









# **Discovery Special Academy Secondary Phase Approved**



**Exciting News** 

A quick reminder that we have had the secondary phase of Discovery Special Academy approved.

This is incredibly exciting.

We are now working with the local authority to establish a building programme for the secondary phase and a plan for temporary accommodation from September.

We will be in touch with more details about the secondary phase of the academy throughout the year.

# **New Build**

We will also have more updated pictures of the new build to share in spring 2, but here are a few to keep us all going in the meantime.





