



# Discovery Special Academy

## Newsletter Spring 2 2022

### June PD Days

We wanted to remind you that we have three professional development days booked in June.

As an academy, we have a set number of professional development days (PD days) we must take each year in order to support staff development and educational provision.

As we had already notified you that there would be three PD days on 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> June, and to support arrangements you may already have made, we have decided to keep these dates as PD days.

**Please remember that this means the children will now be in school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June as normal.**

They will not be in school on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> June.

If you have any question about this, as always, please do not hesitate to contact us here at the academy on 01642 248333

### Coffee Morning

We will be holding our next parent coffee morning at the end of June, **dates to be confirmed**. This will be an opportunity to meet other parents, talk to the pastoral team, have a cup of tea/coffee and a biscuit and ask questions you have about support services available. The morning will be quite informal and Sian and Andrew will be there to answer any questions you may have. We hope to see you there.

After the half term break, we will return on Monday 6th June

### Walk to School week

To celebrate walk to school week, children across the academy have been walking each day round the track on the field. This has helped raise awareness of fitness and wellbeing. We hope to continue this through a weekly walk opportunity within the academy.



### Nursery

Our nursery children have had a very busy spring term developing their focus, attention and physical skills



We have been on some amazing trips and visits this term



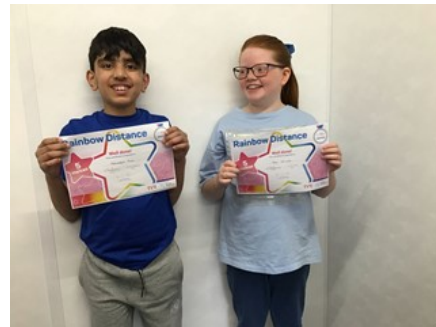
### Horse Riding

Some of our children have enjoyed horse riding at the Unicorn centre in Hemlington. This has been great for their confidence, independence and communication development. We hope to offer this to more children across the academy in the future.



### Swimming

Our year 5 and 6 children have made some great achievements in swimming this year, becoming more confident in the water and developing their swimming ability.



### Feedback

“ The children are blessed to have staff like that. All they want is for your child to succeed” (parent)

“Ambition and high expectations are in evidence throughout the academy and children, staff and families have risen to this challenge” (inclusion quality Mark assessor)