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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well and keeping safe. What fantastic news we all received last week that schools will be fully reopening on Monday 8th March! We cannot wait to see all the children return to full time, face to face provision. I will be sending you out more information and expectations about the reopening by the end of the week. For now, I can tell you that the school will continue to have 'bubbles' in the spring term and the day will follow a similar timetable to the one which was introduced in September 2020. As you know, we have fantastic, nurturing staff at Kingsmoor Academy, and they will ensure that your children settle back into their school routine calmy and as quickly as possible. We understand this has not been an easy journey for anybody, but we will work as hard as ever to ensure that we 'close any gaps' as a result of the pandemic.

As I reflect on all the remote learning since January, it is clear to see that we have achieved so much including delivering live sessions to every year group, families supporting their children with over 100 hours of remote learning, loaning out laptops to those who needed them, providing FSM vouchers and providing education at school for critical worker families. I have always lived by the motto 'Teamwork makes the dream work'.

Important Dates:

Please continue to check your School Gate Way for any information sent



Stay safe and well.

Miss Lymbouris Acting Principal

As you know, we are always receiving ongoing communication from the Government and the DfE. We would like to share the following information with you:

The following assessments, scheduled between April and July 2021, have been cancelled:

- KS1 teacher assessments
- Year 2 SATS tests
- KS2 teacher assessments
- Year 6 SATS tests
- Year 1 and 2 phonics screening check
- All statutory trialling Year 4 Multiplication check

These arrangements will apply for summer 2021 only, and STA are planning for a full programme of primary assessments to take place in the 2021/22 academic year.

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Dear pupils, students, parents, carers, colleagues, governors and members of our wider ATT family!

Annual Report 2019-2020

May I begin by saying that I hope you are all keeping safe and well in this strangest of years. I have written to you a couple of times since the pandemic began and I have often made reference to our mantra of #safesteadygradual in planning and delivering our response.

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I hope you have continued to see in our approach an organisation which has focused on putting safety first while preserving the very highest standards of education, whether that be provided in person or remotely.

I am delighted to be writing to you today with some very positive news indeed about the publication of Academy Transformation Trust's first ever *Annual Report*. I am writing on behalf of our five Members and our eleven Trustees, who all give voluntarily of their time to support me and my team in the leadership of our trust. You can read more about their roles in the report itself.

You will know that we take very seriously the business of being accountable to those we serve – in every one of our 21 academy communities spread across ten different local authority areas. It is in the spirit of that local accountability that our Members have sponsored the production of this *Annual Report* to enable us to share with you our story of progress.

I am now into my third year of leading our fantastic trust, and I could not be more proud of what we have achieved together in that time. The report tells the story of an organisation which puts people first, is absolutely focused on delivering a top drawer education, is more financially stable now than ever before and, as a result, is growing in confidence with every day.

Of course, there is more to do, and the report will also give you a sense of where our priorities for the future now lie. Whatever the next year may throw at us, we will remain resolute in our aim of **making the biggest difference to the communities we serve through the delivery of top drawer education**.

You can find the Annual Report online at https://www.academytransformationtrust.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/ sites/2/2021/02/Academy-Transformation-Trust_Annual-Report_2019-2020_FINAL-1.pdf. In a spirit of environmental sustainability, we have not produced printed versions of it, but your local academy office will be able to print one for you if you are not able to access it online.

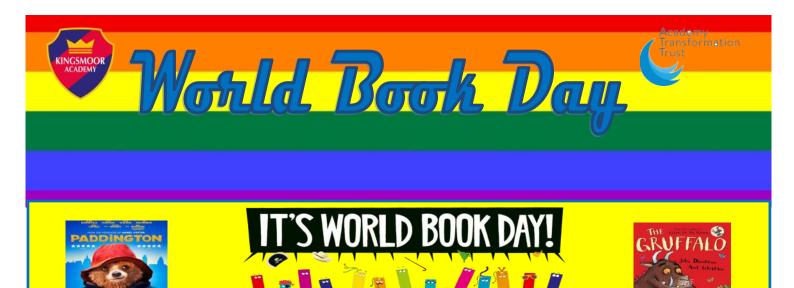
I do hope you enjoy reading this report. We intend for it to develop in both style and content over the coming years, and would welcome any views you may have on it. Please feel free to feed these in to your local academy leaders in the first instance.

My very best wishes to you. Stay safe and well.

Debbie Clinton



Chief Executive Officer



To celebrate World Book Day on <u>Thursday 4th March</u>, we will be having a day full of reading and book related activities.

Children are invited to come to school on Thursday 4th March dressed as a character from a book. <u>Unfortunately, this year, pupils will not be able to bring in any props or books, so please leave things like swords and magic wands at home as we need to continue to follow Covid guidelines.</u>

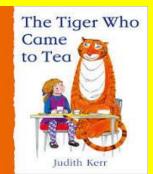
Children who are not in school are also encouraged to dress as a book character as they can still join in with the fun from home. All pupils will have two Zoom sessions as normal on the Thursday, so it would be really nice if the children at home could dress up as well, especially for their Thursday afternoon session with their teacher which will be book focused.

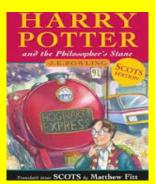
Pupils at home may also like to be creative and create their own reading space at home for World Book Day. We would love to see them during the Zoom session on Thursday 4th March. Consider a reading den, tent or you could even make your own reading rocket to read from! The ideas are endless. We would love to see photos of you in your reading costumes or the reading space which you create so you could upload them to your class blog or email them to us.

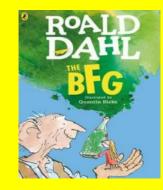
On this day, teachers will be planning a day of book related activities which may include designing bookmarks, writing book reviews, researching favourite authors, carrying out a book day treasure hunt, book day bingo and many other engaging activities. All children will be able to access these activities, either in school or from home.

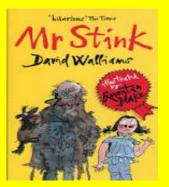
An exciting new addition to this year: Look out for the Masked Reader! From Monday of next week, check the Purple Mash class blog, as there will be different masked teachers and TA's reading every day. See if you can guess who is behind the mask or disguise! Teachers will also provide links to author workshops and storytelling sessions throughout the course of the week which we hope will continue to enthuse the children about books and reading for pleasure.

We hope that you will support us in what should be an enjoyable day, providing the children with valuable reading experiences whether they are learning in school or at home.











Wellbeing sessions Education Booster Indoor Sport Mentoring Workshops Sessions are free for children of key workers and vulnerable families, children who are struggling with mental and emotional health. Groups are small, safe and supportive

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