



Reaching for the Stars !

22nd April 2022

Dear Parents/Carers ,

I would like to inform you of an important change for one of our Inset days which will affect our families and I would like to give you as much notice as possible to make alternative childcare arrangements.

As a School we have taken the decision to adopt an alternative scheme to the teaching of synthetic phonics which comes highly recommended by educational consultants , head teachers and a number of other eminent sources citing evidence of impressive data and results in the schools which have embraced this approach.

The name of the scheme is ' Read , Write Inc ' and has been pioneered with great success by Ruth Miskin. It is not the only scheme on the market but after careful consideration the SLT and myself have selected ' Read , Write Inc ' as we think it will meet the needs of our children within the context of Davyhulme Primary School.

This decision requires a significant commitment from the school in the form of finance and training across the whole of our school. We are really keen to start this approach in September and so we have asked for a whole day of training for 45 members of staff on an exceptional and additional training day on **Tuesday 12th July 2022**.

We realise that this may be very inconvenient for many families and it is not ideal as we have always tried to choose Inset days with the least impact, often placing them at the beginning or end of school terms. Unfortunately this was the only date available to us from these much sought after trainers so we are going to have to close the school on Tuesday 12th July 2022 and I can only apologise for this. School will make up this day for the children at a later date.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support, understanding and patience .

Yours sincerely ,

Mr P McDowell

Head Teacher