**Parent Communication Letter** **- Friday 31 January 2025.**

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| **Academy News**  **Children’s Mental Health Week**  Next week we will be supporting Children’s Mental Health Week. This year we are exploring the theme ‘Know Yourself, Grow Yourself’ in partnership with [Here4You, supported by The Walt Disney Company](https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/#disney) and the Inside Out 2 characters.  **PSHE Cafes**  As part of Children’s Mental Health Week, we would like to invite you to join your children for a PSHE lesson next week, at the following times:   * Monday 3 February - Year 1, 8.45am to 9.15am. * Tuesday 4 February - Year 4, 2.15pm to 2.45pm. * Wednesday 5 February - Year 3, 8.45am to 9.15pm. * Wednesday 5 February - Year 5, 2.15pm to 2.45pm. * Wednesday 5 February - Year 6, 2.15pm to 2.45pm. * Thursday 6 February - Reception, 8.45am to 9.15am. * Friday 7 February - Year 2, 8.45am to 9.15am.   **Little Fledglings**  On Tuesday, we hosted another Little Fledglings Baby and Toddler session here at the Academy. We are enjoying getting to know the members of the group and their little ones and welcome anyone else along to join us.  **Nursery Parents’ Evening**  A reminder that the Nursery Parents’ Evenings are on Wednesday and Thursday next week. Please contact the Academy Office to book your appointment if you have not already done so.  **‘Pal-entines’ Disco!**  On Thursday 6 February, we will be hosting a ‘Pal-entines’ disco for children in Years 1 to 6. Year 1, 2, 3 will be 4.15pm to 5.30pm and Year 4, 5, 6 will be 5.45pm to 7.00pm. Tickets are available on School Money, at a cost of £2.50 each. There will be drinks and snacks available on the evening, therefore children may bring a pound to purchase these.  **Year 6 SATS Meeting**  A reminder that the Year 6 SATS parent / carer meeting is on Thursday 13 February at 8.45am. This is an important meeting ahead of your child taking part in the SATS tests in May and we hope you can make it.  **Uniform and PE Kit Reminder**  A polite reminder that children should be wearing dark-coloured socks, i.e. black, navy or grey. Brightly coloured socks are not part of academy uniform. Plimsolls are a compulsory part of the PE uniform and should be worn for indoor PE - not trainers. Plimsolls are £2.99 in Shoe Zone and Supermarkets. Children should be wearing plain black shorts for indoor PE, tracksuit bottoms and leggings must only be worn for outside PE lessons. |
| **Diary Dates**   * Wednesday 5 February: Nursery Parents’ Evening. * Thursday 6 February: Nursery Parents’ Evening. * Thursday 6 February: Disco! * Tuesday 11 February: Safer Internet Day. * Wednesday 12 February: Book Fair. * Thursday 13 February: Y6 SATS Parent / Carer meeting, 8.45am. * Friday 14 February: Last Day of Spring Term 1. * Monday 24 February: Academy Closed for Staff Training. * Tuesday 25 February: First Day of Spring Term 2. |
| **Weekly Winners**  Each week, teachers select a pupil who has particularly impressed them with their attitude to learning, behaviour, effort etc. This week’s stars are:   * Adventurers: Francesca * Explorers: Aoibhe * Searchers: Olivia * Seekers: Charlotte * Pioneers: Bryanie * Investigators: Raiden * Wayfarers: Jashnika * Navigators: Talia * Creators: Karma * Pathfinders: Nihar * Voyagers: Michelle * Venturers: Harper * Crusaders: Ashlyn * Discoverers: Oscar   This week’s Principal Award goes to Darla (Y3), Lylah (Y5), Nour (Y5).  This week’s Best Dressed class is Seekers!  This week’s winning marble colour is the BLUE team! |
| **Attendance**  The Autumn Term Attendance Prize will be a Tablet! There will be a prize for EYFS / KS1 and a prize for KS2. Winners will be drawn at the end of the Summer Term. All children whose attendance is 98% or above will have the chance to win.  The winning classes for the collective highest attendance this week are:  Early Years and Key Stage 1: Searchers  Key Stage 2: Venturers  A big well done to both classes!  We are always striving to improve our attendance figures. Children who are in school are safe and accessing education to help them thrive. They are socialising with peers and learning how to be positive members of their community.  Our year-to-date attendance target is 96%, the whole school’s attendance is 95.77% this week.  Wherever possible, please ensure your child is attending every day to avoid missing valuable learning opportunities. |