

## Parent Communication Letter - Friday 7 February 2025.

### Academy News

#### **Parent Cafes**

It has been lovely to see so many of you at our Parent Cafes this week. The children love sharing what they have been learning and it is a great opportunity for you to see them enjoying their learning during the Academy Day. Please look on our website and Facebook page for photos of the different cafes that have taken place this week.

#### **French Spelling Bee**

On Friday, Riley and Logan in Year 6 attended the French Spelling Bee finals at Cambridge University. They worked very hard to get to the finals and we were incredibly proud of them. They had a tour of the Academy, followed by the closely fought final. Although they were not the overall winners, they performed brilliantly and had a great day. Well done boys!

#### **Asda Scheme**

We would like to say a big thank you to those of you who signed up to the school scheme which collected money for us every time you shopped. You have raised a fantastic £300 which will go towards enriching activities for the children.

#### **SATS Meeting**

We will be having our yearly meeting for Year 6 parents this week. The SATS meeting is an opportunity for you to learn a little more about the tests that the children will be sitting, how we will be supporting them, when they take place etc. It is also an opportunity for you to have a look at previous test materials and ask any questions that you may have.

#### **Breakfast Club for Year 6**

Reminder that this will be starting on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February. Children are strongly encouraged to join us at 8am for a free breakfast, followed by a booster session from 8.20am. These have proved to be very beneficial in preparing the children for the tests and we hope to see as many of our Year 6 pupils as possible.

#### **Training Day**

Reminder that the Academy closes on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February and **reopens** on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February. The academy is closed to pupils on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February due to a Trust Training Day for all staff.

### Diary Dates

- 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: Theo
- Explorers: Orla
- Searchers: Leone
- Seekers: Maximus
- Pioneers: Lily
- Investigators: Haythen
- Wayfarers: Piper
- Navigators: Oliver
- Creators: Austyn
- Pathfinders: Shyla
- Voyagers: Arianna
- Venturers: Anna
- Crusaders: Keira-Ann
- Discoverers: Alfie

This week's Principal Award goes to Jenny (Y4), Charley-May (Y5), Logan (Y6).

This week's Best Dressed class is Pathfinders!

This week's winning marble colour is the GREEN 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: Pioneers

Key Stage 2: Voyagers

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 95.28% this week.

Wherever possible, please ensure your child is attending every day to avoid missing valuable learning opportunities.