

Parent Communication Letter – Friday 24 October 2025

Academy News

Thank You

Thank you all for your support this half term. And a special thank you for those of you who have been able to join us for our recent Reading Cafes – the children have really enjoyed sharing their learning with you. We wish you all a safe and enjoyable half term break and will see you again on Monday 3 November 2025.

Dinner Arrears

A reminder to ensure dinner arrears are cleared over the half term break. Dinners must be paid for in advance via School Money.

School Lunch Cost Increase

We have been informed by our Caterers, Edwards and Blake, that as of Monday 3 November 2025, there will be an increase in the cost of school lunches to £2.65 per meal.

Academy Staff INSET Days

The Academy will be closed on the following dates for Staff INSET Days:

- Friday 5 December 2025
- Monday 5 January 2026
- Monday 23 February 2026
- Monday 13 April 2026
- Monday 20 July 2026

Diary Dates

- Friday 24 October: Academy Closes for Half Term.
- Monday 3 November: Academy Opens for Autumn Term 2.
- Monday 10 November: Herman 70 Year Anniversary week.
- Monday 10 November: Flu Immunisation.
- Tuesday 11 November: Parents' Evening.
- Thursday 13 November: Parents' Evening.
- Friday 21 November: Flu Immunisation.
- Friday 5 December: Academy Closed for Staff Training Day.

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: Kaia-Jayne
- Explorers: Noah
- Searchers: Augustin
- Seekers: Hailey
- Pioneers: Jake
- Investigators: Jax
- Wayfarers: Ellie
- Navigators: Darcy
- Creators: Skyla
- Pathfinders: Oakley
- Voyagers: Finley
- Venturers: Ella
- Crusaders: Lylah
- Discoverers: Dani

This week's Principal Award goes to Manve (Y2), Ruby (Y4), Talia (Y4), Binky (Y5), Sofia (Y6).

This week's Best Dressed class is Pathfinders.

This week's winning marble colour is the Blue team.

Attendance

All children whose attendance is 98% or above for the Autumn Term will be entered into a draw to win a special prize.

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 94.41% this week.

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