

Principal's Welcome!

Welcome back to Spring Term and a happy new year to you all! I hope that you all enjoyed the Christmas holidays and managed to have a relaxing break with your children.

We are only a week into the second term and already we have had a Y5 trip to the Space Centre, a choir trip to Young Voices and an exciting Wow Day in Y1P and Y1/2T. We have lots of great learning experiences planned into this term and look forward to seeing our pupils enjoying their new topics. Topic leaflets for each class will be coming home soon so you can see what they will be focusing on. They

will also be updated on our academy website once finalised. Please sign up to follow our academy Twitter account on @EdVicAcademy so that you can hear about many of the things that happen on a daily basis in our academy.

Pupil progress meetings are taking place over the next few weeks where each teacher will meet a Senior Leader to talk through the progress for each pupil in their class. If any additional support is needed to be put in, it will be planned for and delivered this term. This will ensure that all of our teaching is focused on specific areas that pupils need to master to reach

their targets. We will discuss this with you during our parents' evening this term.

Our work on the academy roof is continuing. I apologise for any inconvenience this may be causing. Please remember that F1, F2, 1P and 1/2T will enter and leave through the main entrance and 2H, 3H, 4P, 5TC, 5/6D and 6D will use the side entrance. If your child's entrance has changed, we will let you know as soon as it is back to normal. The good news is that the roofers are on schedule so should complete the work on time!

If you have any questions or concerns, please pop into the academy office to make an appointment with the relevant person. We will aim to get back to you as soon as possible as our aim is for all our pupils to thrive and meet their potential. Thank you for all of your support so far this year.

Mrs E Clark

Principal

Dinner Money

Please note that pupils in Y3, and upwards are required to pay in advance for school meals. They cost £10.50 per week and this can be paid through our ParentPay system. We also have facilities to enable pupils to bring a packed lunch if they wish to do this but we ask that they stick to either school dinners or packed lunches for the full half term.

If you think that you may be entitled to free school meals, please enquire at the academy office for advice on how to register or to register online go to: www.doncaster.gov.uk

School Uniform

The website address for ordering school uniform with the school logo will be changing. From February 12th the new supplier will be "My Clothing".

You can order online at:

www.myclothing.com

The format of the website is exactly the same as before.



This year we are having a huge focus on reading and I am pleased to report that progress in reading across the academy last term has been a strength. We have weekly visits from Nigel, the PAT (pets as therapy) dog, as well as our many volunteer readers and even the officers from South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue have been coming in to hear readers!

Key Diary Dates

Below we have included some key dates for the term ahead. The whole school dates for the year are on the first newsletter and our academy website. Please note that if needed some dates may need to change but we will endeavour to provide as much notice as possible.

There will also be dates added each term for events where parents are invited into school.

- 7.1.19 Back to school
- 15.1.19 Super Learning Day
- 15.1.19 Y6 after school boosters start
- 22.1.19 Athletics Y5/6
 - Books for Bedtime after school Y1 and Y2
- 23.1.19 Athletics Quarter Finals Y5/6
- 24.1.19 F1 & F2 Sponsored Walk
- w/b 4.2.19 E-Safety Week
- 12.2.19 Y2 Multi-skills
- 14.2.19 Non-uniform day and break up
- 15.2.19 Teacher Training Day
- 25.2.19 Back to school
- 25.2.19 Y6 Crucial Crew
- 27.2.19 F2-Y6 Parents' Evening
- w/b 4.3.19 Book Week
- 5.3.19 Y1 Multi-skills
- 7.3.19 World Book Day
- 15.3.19 Comic Relief
- 19.3.19 Y4 Dodgeball
- 2.4.19 Y5/6 Golden Boot
- w/b 8.4.19 Science Week

Attendance

Our attendance for last term is as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>% Attendance</u>
F2S	93.7%
1P	94.8%
1/2T	97.5%
2H	97.6%
3H	96.2%
4P	95.9%
5TC	97.4%
5/6D	96.3%
6D	97.3%

Well done to all pupils with attendance over 96%. We understand that from time to time children can fall ill. If this is the case, please ring the academy office to keep us informed.

This half term we have a different initiative where pupils receive a raffle ticket for every full week that they attend. Raffle tickets go into a special bag in each classroom. At the end of the half term, one raffle ticket will be drawn in each class. The winning raffle ticket will win a special hamper.

You've got to be in it to win it!

Good luck everyone!

Young Voices

This week some of our pupils in our academy choir attended the Young Voices Concert in Sheffield. They had opportunity to sing as part of a huge choir with schools from lots of different areas. There were also special guests that attended to sing with the children. Well done to everyone who attended and a special thank you to Mrs Edmonds and Miss Pilley for accompanying them on the trip.

Thank You!

Last term Mrs Bowker worked extremely hard to create us a new Upper Key Stage Reading Space with her fantastic eye for décor. Mr Cope, a parent in Reception, gave up his time to sand and paint our shelves so they look new. A massive thank you to Mrs Bowker for leading the project and Mr Cope for supporting us to make the academy even better for our pupils!

Below are some of the wonderful displays created by teachers to showcase pupils' learning.

