

Edlington Victoria Academy Newsletter



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Principal's Welcome!

Welcome back to the second half of Autumn term. It has been wonderful to see so many of you in attendance at our parents' evening. Our pupils have lots they should feel proud of so far this year so it has been a pleasure to share their achievements with you. If you were unable to attend, please contact the main office who will be able to make you an alternative appointment with the class teacher.

Last half term we were pleased to be able to give your kind donations of food to the local food-bank. Thank you to everyone that contributed to this. Some of our Y3 pu-

pils visited some of the elderly in the community to read their books to them. I think that both adults and pupils enjoyed this as much as each other. Well done Year 3.

You may have noticed the scaffolding around school currently. We have been lucky enough to secure the funding to be able to replace the academy roof. It is anticipated that the project will last around 22 weeks. We look forward to seeing our new roof completed!

This year we are having a big focus on reading

and are actively looking for reliable volunteers to support reading with pupils in the academy. If you think that you would be interested in committing your time on a regular basis to support us, please let Miss Ho know. She would be delighted to add to our existing team of reading volunteers.

We are also recruiting for further members to join our Friends of Victoria group of staff and parents. They are a group that meet often to share ideas and support the academy with fundraising so that we

can support resources and a number of events in the academy. Please contact Miss Pizzey or Mrs Tinkler if you would like to become a member.

And finally, just a reminder that my team and I have an open door policy so if for any reason you have a question or concern, please make an appointment with your child's class teacher in the first instance so that they resolve your concerns.

Mrs E Clark
Principal

School Uniform

Our pupils have come back to school looking extremely smart. They look very proud to be part of Edlington Victoria Academy.

Embroidered logo uniform is available at:
www.tesco.com

More information about our academy uniform can be found on our school website.

Pupil Parliament



Last half term we had a visit from Caroline Flint MP who came to launch our Pupil Parliament. Pupils then gave speeches and presentations in front of their peers and were fairly elected into their roles. They are soon to be presented with their special Pupil Parliament jumpers. We can't wait to hear about all of their plans!

Dinner Money

Please note that pupils in Y3, and upwards are required to pay for school meals. This can be done 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 apply online at:
www.doncaster.gov.uk

Key Diary Dates

Below we have included some key dates for the half 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 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.

- 5.11.18 Back to school
- 7.11.18 F2,Y1,Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5 Flu immunisations
F2-Y6 Parents' Evening
- 8.11.18 Y2H at Dinostar
- 9.11.18 Y6D at the Cenotaph
- 9.11.18 Y1-Y6 Sponsored Spellathon
- w/b 12.11.18 Anti-Bullying Week
- 14.11.18 Y1P & Y1/2T Express Event 9.15am
- 15.11.18 Y2H Express Event 9.15am
Y3H at Yorvik
- 16.11.18 Children in Need
- 19.11.18 Y3H Express Event 2.15pm
- 20.11.18 Y5/6 Netball
- 21.11.18 F2 Phonics Coffee Morning 9am
- 22.11.18 Y5TC Express Event
- 23.11.18 Y5/6D & Y6D Express Event 2.15pm
- 26.11.18 4P at National Coal Mining Museum
- 27.11.18 Y3 Dance Festival
Y4P Express Event 2.15pm
- 6.12.18 F1 Book Party
- 6.12.18 6D & 5/6D at Liverpool International Slavery Museum
- 7.12.18 Christmas Fayre 3.30pm
- 12.12.18 F1 Stay and Play 8.40am
- 12.12.18 1P & 1/2T at Weston Park Museum Sheffield
- 13.12.18 F2 Stay and Play 8.50am
Choir to sing at Tesco
- 17.12.18 F1 Concert 9.15am
- 18.12.18 F2 Concert
- 18.12.18 Christmas Lunch
- 19.12.18 Y1 & Y2 Concert 2.15pm
- 20.12.18 Y3/4/5/6 Concert 9.15am
Y1 & Y2 Christmas Party
- 21.12.18 F1/F2/Y3/4/5/6 parties
Break up for Christmas
- 7.1.19 Back to school

Attendance

Congratulations to the 193 pupils that had 100%, on-time attendance over our four week attendance and punctuality challenge. This is a huge achievement. We also had many pupils receiving their 100% attendance certificates for last half term. We hope they enjoyed their cinema event sponsored by Friends of Victoria.

Please note that our attendance policy is on our school website:

www.edlingtonvictoria.co.uk

In our policy you will find information about attendance and holidays. All academies in Exceed Learning Partnership now follow a policy that states all holidays will be processed for a fixed penalty notice (fine) unless there are exceptional circumstances. This is also in-line with our local secondary academy—Sir Thomas Wharton.

After speaking to several parents recently we would like to clarify that the academy does not have any control over when the fines are issued as they come from Doncaster Council.

Please look out for our next attendance challenge as we have some great prizes for pupils and parents which we look forward to giving out.

Our whole school attendance is 96.4% which is fantastic. Keep up the amazing work everyone!

Art Week

Last half term our pupils had a great time during art week. Please see some photos of our new art display showcasing some of our high quality art work produced.

