



St Botolph's Academy News

Autumn 2 Week 4



In Gods hands we love, learn and grow.

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A Note from Mrs Adams,

Well done to the St Patrick saintly team for achieving the most points this week. There are lots of great things to report as you can see below and we are so proud of our entry into the Pontefract and Castleford Express. Your donations for the reverse advent calendar starting on 1st December will be much appreciated by the food bank, for Christmas food can be a very stressful time for some families. The good to be green positive behaviour system is working well and I just wanted to let you know that the last day of term will be the treat day for those who have remained green. It will be a 'Toy afternoon' with juice and a biscuit. More details will follow.

Have a good weekend.



KS2 cinema visits.

Over the past few weeks, children in KS2 have been to see a range of films for free at the cinema.

The children were able to experience public transport on trains (and buses at times) which they thoroughly enjoyed.

All the children in each of the classes represented our academy to a very high standard. We had members of the public comment on the excellent behavior and manners of our children.

Thank you children and keep up the good work.

Elf day

On Friday 9th December we will be asking the children to dress up as Elves in aid of Alzheimers Society.

The children may wear any outfits that could be 'elf like'. Please can parents ensure that the outfits are appropriate (no crop tops). Make up is not to be worn including face paint.

We would like to ask for a £1 donation to support the charity.

Thank you for your support.

Here to help

Principal—Mrs D Adams

Vice Principal—Mrs L Clipsham

Assistant Principal—Mrs E Fisher

EYFS Leader—Mrs A Howarth

Academy Business Manager—Miss C Yates

Administration/Finance Team—Mrs S Sims and Mrs E Harris

Children in Need

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who donated to **Children in Need** last week. As an academy, we managed to raise £625 in total.

The children managed to complete over 3000 hoops and to celebrate the success of the event, we are also in Thursday's Pontefract and Castleford Express should you wish to read the article.

Thank you for your continued support.

Christmas Fair

The Friends of St Botolph's would like to ask for donations for the Christmas Fair tombola.

Could any donations be brought into the academy before the 6th December.

If any parents/carers would also like to make any donations of baking for the cake stall, could they also be brought in on the morning of the 6th December.

Finally, the Friends will also be selling raffle tickets at every Key Stage production if you wish to buy a ticket. The first prize is a £75 Morrison's voucher.

Reverse Calendar

This year to support our Knottingley food Bank, we are donating food to our local community.

Instead of each class having calendars and taking 'chocolate', we would like to reverse the calendar and 'give' to the local community.

Each child will be asked to bring a donation of a tin or packet of dried produce and a class box will be filled to take to the local food bank.

Your child will be given their allocated day soon but parents/carers are welcome to bring their donations in from 1st December.

Thank you for your support.

Attendance



Lates	Whole School	Class	
Once: 20	School Target: 96%	Golden Eagles	95.50%
More than once: 4		Wolves	98.41%
Total lates: 24		Academy Weekly Attendance: 93.55%	Hippos
		Zebbras	95.79%
		Penguins	93.33%
		Bears	99.62%
		Turtles	96.30%
		Giraffes	94.44%
		Gorillas	95.56%
		Lions	76.77%
		Tigers	81.12%

Parents Calendar

	Event	Time	Location
Monday 28th November			
Tuesday 29th November	Swimming Year 4	Afternoon	Knottingley Sport Centre
Wednesday 30th November	Year 3 Dental Talk	9.40—10.40am	Classrooms
	LKS2 Weekly Street Dance lessons	1.20—2.45pm	Hall
	Parents Street Dance show case.	2.45—3.10pm	Hall
Thursday 1st December	Christingle service for Children	11.00—1.30am	Hall
	FS Christmas Production	2.30—3.10pm	Hall
	UKS2 drama club	3.15—4.30pm	Classroom
Friday 2nd December	UKS2 Cathedral visit	8.00—2.00pm	Wakefield
	FS Christmas Production	9.30—10.10am	Hall
	Class Gorillas show case (Gorillas parents welcome)	2.45—3.05pm	Hall

Future dates for your diary



Tuesday 29th November IEB drop in 3pm

Wednesday 30th November—Y3 Dental talk. LKS2 Street dance performance for **parents 2.45pm.**

Thursday 1st December—Christingle workshop (morning). Foundation stage Christmas performance (afternoon). **Parents.**

Friday 2nd December— UKS2 Cathedral Educational Visit. Foundation stage Christmas performance (morning). **Parents.**

Monday 5th December— **8.30am IEB drop in.** FS/KS1 Theatre trip. UKS2 Christmas performance (morning). **Parents.** LKS2 Christmas performance (afternoon) **Parents.**

Tuesday 6th December— LKS2 Christmas performance (morning). **Parents.** School Christmas Faye (afternoon and early evening) **Parents.**

Wednesday 7th December—KS1 Christmas performance (morning). UKS2 Christmas performance (afternoon).

Thursday 8th December—KS1 Christmas performance (afternoon). **Parents.**

Friday 9th December—Elf Dress up Day in aid of Alzheimers

Monday 12th December—FS Christmas Party.

Tuesday 13th December **IEB drop in 3pm.** Key Stage One Christmas Party.

Wednesday 14th December—Children's Christmas Lunch. LKS2 Christmas Party.

Thursday 15th December—Christmas church service—St Botolph's. **Parents.** UKS2 Christmas Party.

Friday 16th December—Christmas jumper day. Good to be green celebrations. Break up for Christmas.

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Please check the school Website and Parent Pay for further updates and upcoming events.
All staff at St Botolph's would like to thank all parents and pupils for their continued support.