



St Botolph's Academy News

Spring 2 Week 1



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A Note from Mrs Adams:

Well done to St. David saintly team for achieving the most points this week. I wanted to take this opportunity to let you know that after recently being interviewed, I can announce that I am now your permanent Principal at St Botolphs. I am so thrilled, honoured and privileged to be staying and working with you all at this very special school. I know that the journey will be an exciting and rewarding one as we continue to improve outcomes for our children. Look out for some dates for exciting Easter events and I look forward to seeing you at our parent/carer consultations next week. Have a great weekend.

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

Ofsted priorities

Priority 5: Improve pupils' behaviour

As you know, we recently had an Ofsted monitoring inspection.

It went extremely well and the report can be found on the academy website.

The inspector looked at many documents and stated 'Behaviour has improved significantly since the previous inspection. No incidents of boisterous behaviour was seen and there was no use of discriminatory language.' He also said that the Academy Council was one of the best he had ever interviewed.

The academy was featured in the Yorkshire Evening Post last week and this positive report can be seen on our Facebook page.

Uniform check

This week Mrs Adams and Mrs Clipsham completed a uniform check. The children were checked for the correct uniform, correct footwear and if they were wearing their saintly badges. It was pleasing to see that so many children looked smart in their uniform.

However, it was noted that some children are not wearing **plain** black shoes or trainers and some girls also have heels on their boots. We would like children to wear flat footwear at all times and are aware it may take a little time to organise a change of footwear. The next uniform check will be after the Easter holidays and we will aim to carry these out on a regular basis.

Residentials

Thank you to all the parents/carers who have paid for the Year 5/6 residential in April.

The final payment for the Year 3/4 residential in July will be due before the Easter holidays.

Staff are really looking forward to these overnight events.

We hope the children are too.

Book Week

As mentioned on the previous newsletter, next week is British author week in school and we have asked the children to dress up as a book character on Friday 3rd March.

If any parent/grandparents/carers would like to read to a small group of children on the Friday afternoon, please could they speak to a member of staff so we can organise this.



Attendance



Lates	Whole School	Class	
Once: 13	School Target: 96%	Golden Eagles	96.20%
More than once: 0		Wolves	96.97%
Total lates: 13		Academy Weekly Attendance: 95.84%	Hippos
		Zebbras	97.41%
		Penguins	93.99%
		Bears	98.85%
		Turtles	98.85%
		Giraffes	96.93%
		Gorillas	95.02%
		Lions	95.24%
		Tigers	85.28%

Weekly Calendar

	Event	Time	Location
Monday 27th February	American Football—class Hippos	1.30—3pm	Hall
Tuesday 28th February	Y4 swimming group 1	8.30—10.30am	Pontefract baths
Wednesday 1st March	Librarians visiting school KS1 Street dance.	9 -12pm 1.30—2.45pm	Academy Hall
Thursday 2nd March	KS2 Boccia and Kurling tournament Nursery Functional Fitness UFS Functional Fitness Nursery Functional Fitness	9—12pm 9:00-9:30am 9:30-11:00am 1:30-2:00pm	Visiting academy Hall Hall Hall
Friday 3rd March	World Book dress up day	All day	Academy

Future dates for your diary



- Thursday 2nd March—KS2 Boccia and Kurling tournament
- Tuesday 7th March—Year 6 Chiquitos visit. School council Sandal Magna visit.
- Thursday 9th March—Year 5 Chiquitos visit
- Thursday 9th March— Y4 Zebras Showcase(parents/carers welcome)
- Thursday 16th March— Year 5 BOTH CLASSES showcase (parents/carers welcome)
- Friday 17th March—Yr3/4 Tag Rugby tournament
- Tuesday 21st March—Year 6 church visit. Year 5 language lessons with De Lacy students.
- Wednesday 22nd March—Year 5 church visit. KS1 dance class showcase.
- Friday 24th March—Year 6 Tag Rugby tournament.
- Monday 3rd—Wednesday 5th April—Year 5/6 residential
- Thursday 6th April—Easter service in church (KS1/KS2) at 9.30am (parents/carers welcome)
- Thursday 6th April—EYFS Easter Celebration in school at 11.00am (parents/carers welcome)