

## St Ann's Well Academy

A L.E.A.D. Academy

## NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term 2017 Issue 1

## <u>Diary Dates</u> Mon 25th Sept

Y5 visit to The National Space Centre

## Wed 27th Sept

Y4 Visit to Cadbury's World

## Fri 29th Sept

Y2 Mini Olympics at Nottingham High School

#### Mon 2nd Oct

Y6 Mega Fest at Harvey Haddon

#### **Tues 3rd Oct**

Y1 Bushcraft at Newstead Abbey

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Y6 Visit to Holocaust Centre

#### Wed 4th Oct

**NSPCC** Assemblies

#### Fri 6th Oct

Y5 Residential in Dovedale

#### Wed 11th Oct

Y5 & Y6 NSPCC Workshops

Thurs 12th Oct CLASS / FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHS

w/c Mon 9th Oct

Black History Week

Wed 18th Oct

Parents' Evening

MON 6TH NOV

School closed to

children INSET DAY

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**Welcome back!** Thank you to all parents who ensured their children arrived at school on time and wearing the appropriate school uniform.

This half term is proving to be exciting with school trips, visitors, the celebration of Black History week and so much more. On a weekly basis, external providers will be delivering exciting music and PE sessions to children, fun parent classes, as well as developing the expertise of staff within school. Children will also be entering various sport competitions.

Please look out for future newsletters.

Emma Thorne Head Teacher

Who's who?

Head Teacher: Mrs E Thorne

Deputy Head Teachers: Mrs E Ashdown and Mr B Curtis

Assistant Head Teacher: Mrs L Unsworth

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Miss K Baker supported by Miss K Holmes

FI:

Mrs L Unsworth & Miss H Dracott supported by Mrs M Clark and

Mrs D Stefanovic

Class I:

Mrs S Trivigno supported by Mrs M Haywood

Class 2:

Miss L Yarnell (until Miss H Clarke's return from maternity leave), supported

by Mrs E Chapman

Class 3:

Mr C Ibbett supported by Mrs J Wilson

Class 4:

Miss J Day & Miss L Friend supported by Mr N Jones

Class 5:

Mr G Dixon supported by Ms Mahjouri

Class 6:

Mr B Curtis/Mrs S Dermody & Miss K Price, supported by Mrs Skevington

**School uniform reminder**. We require all our pupils to wear school uniform. This is either the school sweatshirt or cardigan with either grey, black or navy skirt or trousers, and white or blue polo-shirts or shirts. Sweatshirts & cardigans can purchased from the school office and are priced at £8.00 each.

Please ENSURE your child's name is on all school clothing, PE kits and lunch boxes. Thank-you

#### After School Clubs this half term:

Monday:

Homework Club Y2—Y6 (starts after half term)

Tuesday:

Art & Craft Y2—Y6

Fencing Y3-Y6

Wednesday:

Nottingham Forest Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6

Area Band Y5-Y6

Keyboard Club Y4-Y6

Thursday:

Kickboxing Y3—Y6

Art & Craft Y2-Y6

School Catering Company called Relish have an exciting new menu (copies available from the office)



Head Teacher:

Mrs E Thorne

### Attendance

Did you know that as a parent/carer it is your legal responsibility to ensure that your child is accessing education in order for them to achieve, aspire and improve their life chances? As a school we passionately believe that by working in partnership with families we can maximise success for all children.

To support this, St Ann's has an Attendance & Family Support worker, Melanie Jago. Melanie works within school on Wednesdays every week. Melanie may contact you by telephone or come round to your house to discuss your child's absence and to offer any support to improve your child's attendance. Please do not hesitate to contact her if you are experiencing any issues around your child's attendance. She is here to help you as is your child's teacher and the rest of the team at St Ann's.

If your child has a medical appointment, please can you show the school office their appointment card so that the absence may be correctly recorded as an authorised medical absence.

Please note, that in-line with Government policy we cannot authorise any holidays during term time.

Attached to this Newsletter is Attendance Matters—A Guide for Parents

## **Classes for Parents**

Monday pm —ESOL ongoing from 18th Sept (ongoing)

Monday am—Jiggle & Wiggle 25th Sept (one week)

Monday am—Messy Maker & Chatterpillars 2nd Oct (one week)

Tuesday pm—Make, Move & Lunch from 12th Sept (6 weeks)

Wednesday am—FRED from 27th Sept (4 weeks)

Thursday am—Adult English from 21st Sept (16 weeks)

Friday am—Parents Group (ongoing)

## Your PE kit is important!

Can we ask you to ensure that your child has the correct uniform for PE, and it is in on the correct day. <u>PE kit can be left at school for the half-term on your child's peg,</u> and then taken home to be washed at the end of every half term.

#### Indoor PE:

Plain t-shirt (white)
Plain shorts (Blue or black)
A pair of trainers or plimsolls.

#### Outdoor PE:

Plain t-shirt (white)

Tracksuit bottoms (Blue or black)

Trainers.

No jewellery to be worn and long hair must be tied back with a bobble.

Please be reminded that this is a 'NUT FREE' School.

## Class Council Members

Year 1: D'Jion Swire / Rihann Davis

Year 2: Amelia Twigger / Wyatt Csoka

Year 3: Mylee Sedgwick—Simpson / Shenaz Aziz

Year 4: Dorian Rosiek / Lara Henry Year 5: Keira Norman / Kayson Dean

Year 6: Mckenzie Murray / Rayana Niazi

#### LATE ARRIVALS INTO SCHOOL/LATE COLLECTIONS

A reminder to parents that should you bring your child /children into school after 9.00am (when the gates are locked) you are required to complete a late slip for your child/children explaining the reason for lateness. Also, any parent collecting their child after 3.15pm will be required to sign the 'Late Collection' book at the school office.

REMINDERS: When sending money into school please could you send in the correct money where possible as the School Office does not always have change

Email letters—letters will be sent by email to parents as of October. If you haven't supplied an email address to the school office and would prefer to receive electronic copies, please contact the School office

#### 2017-2018 Ambassadors

At St Ann's Academy we strive to give our pupils the opportunity to become leaders. Every year, each class will choose two pupils. These pupils are awarded the honour of becoming our Class Ambassadors. Class Ambassadors play a key role in modelling behaviour expectations to their peers. They are required to carry out a number of duties. These include leading their class into assemblies and showing visitors around our learning environment.

Pupils who become Class Ambassadors consistently display outstanding behaviour and are highlighted around school by their new red jumpers.

This Year's Class Ambassadors will be:-

Class 1: Moyamu Kromah / Dilshad Rodgers

Class 2: Charlie Shepherd / Ellie Hart

Class 3: Ruby Yousaf / Lincoln Norman

Class 4: Erik David / Dunyah Rahoti

Class 5: Finley Shepherd / Riellah Staples

Class 6: Nyla Farmer / Boaz Hershkovich



#### **GLOBAL NEWS:**

St. Ann's Well Academy has continued to donate unwanted furniture, books and other items to a school for deprived children in Chingola in Zambia. Mrs Rynne visited the school this year and joined in with some activities with the children. The school currently consists of four classrooms and

accommodates seven year groups. Since last year a new toilet block has been erected and footings put in ready for a new class room. Again, the children were happy and grateful for the generosity of St Ann's Well Academy.



'School Playground' - there are plans to develop this playground over the next five years



New toilet block and footings ready for a new classroom to be built



There is a larger agricultural plot this yearboasting tomatoes; carrots and potatoes which will be used in the school meals



Children and family members having fun in the annual 'Sports Day'





## Attendance Matters- A Guide for Parents

The government and St Ann's Well Academy are committed to reducing absence we expect every pupil to maintain an attendance level 96% or above.

Department of Education class persistent absence percentage from 10% and below. What does this mean? Any child whose attendance is lower than 90%, at any point in the year will be classed as being persistently absent.

If your child is persistently absent they could be referred to the local authority's Educations Welfare team and you may be at risk of a penalty notice or prosecution.

School will also refer any child who is persistently late.

## Absence is not allowed for:

Holidays / Forgetting school dates / Oversleeping / A family member being ill

If your child has an appointment they must still attend school <u>before or after the appointment</u>, they should not miss a whole school day. School will only authorise the time for the appointment and travel time.

# Remember, we will help and support you in any way we can to help your child attend school regularly and on time!

If your child attends school for less than 95% of the time it has been proven their education will be significantly affected.

#### **Holidays**

It is a rule of this school that a leave of absence shall not be granted in term time unless there are exceptional reasons, irrespective of the child's overall attendance. Only the Head Teacher or his/her designate may authorise such a request and all applications for a leave of absence must be made in writing/on a form provided by the school.

Where a parent takes a leave of absence to which the application was refused or takes a leave of absence where no application was made, School will request a penalty notice to be issued by the Local Authority. The penalty notice will be issued to each parent of the individual child.

Penalty Notices are set at £60 if paid by 21 days and £120 if paid between 22 and 28 days. Any legal proceedings would relate to section 444 or 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996.\_

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## Why does attendance matter?

Attending school on a regular basis is the key to your child doing well at school and will set them up with good habits for later in life and the working world. Windmill is a fantastic school offering your child many exciting opportunities and experiences to enhance their learning —It will also give your child the opportunity to:

Make lots of friends and feel included

Learn new things and develop many skills

Increase self-confidence and self esteem

Improve social skills

Achieve their potential and fulfil their aspirations.

Did you know we have a dedicated attendance worker who can help you overcome any problems you might have with your children's attendance? Her name is Melanie Jago – you will have seen her at the school on Wednesdays.

If you would like to talk to Melanie about any attendance issues here is her number: 07808 528065 her number is also available on What'sApp.

You can always talk to the Headteacher, Mrs. Thorne, or your child's class teacher.

## If your child is absent from school because they are ill you must:

Phone the school office by 9:30am to tell us why they are away or send a text.

If it is impossible to phone then please ensure that you bring in a written note as soon as possible.

School Phone Number: 0115 915 5808

School Text Number: 0115 824 0391

If your child is away and we don't know why we will contact you immediately and may come out to visit you at home.

Miss School, Miss Out!

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