

Academy Newsletter

Friday 21st January 2022
Spring Term
Issue: 17



I can't believe that we are already half way through this half term. The pupils are continuing to work hard and the buzz of learning around the school is always a delight to hear.

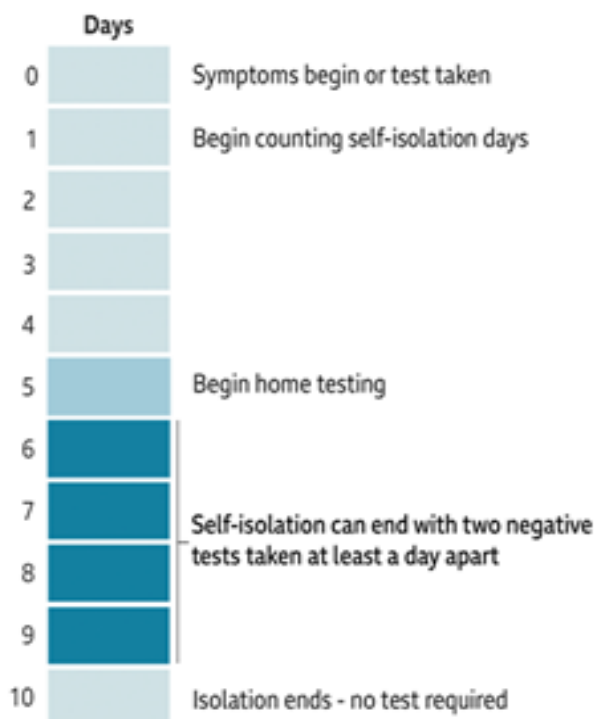
Miss Henry and I had the pleasure of meeting with the House Captains for lunch this week. They came armed with some fantastic ideas to improve Academy life. I am busy working through the list, so look out for some updates soon.

The autumn term interim reports came home with Year 1 – 6 today. Please take a look at how your child is doing – if you have any questions please make contact with your child's class teacher. EYFS reports will come home on Monday.

In other news, we have a new addition to our Academy community. I am pleased to announce that Miss Medley gave birth to baby Rome on Tuesday morning. I can report that Mummy, Daddy and Rome are all doing well.



How five-day isolation rule works in England



Source: NHS



From Monday 17th January 2022

People self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative on both day 5 and day 6 and **do not have a temperature**.

Individuals who are still positive on their rapid lateral flow tests must stay in isolation until they have had 2 consecutive negative tests taken on separate days.

It is essential that 2 negative rapid lateral flow tests are taken on consecutive days and reported before individuals return to their job or education.

Those who leave self-isolation on or after day 6 are strongly advised to wear face coverings, limit close contact with other people in crowded or poorly ventilated spaces, work from home if they can do so and minimise contact with anyone who is at higher risk of severe illness if infected with COVID-19.

Existing public health measures remain in place, including:

- staying at home if you feel unwell
- getting a test if you experience any COVID-19 symptoms
- wearing a face covering in crowded, enclosed spaces
- working from home if possible
- maintaining social distancing and regular hand washing
- taking up the offer of the free COVID-19 vaccine

If you test positive for COVID-19 you must self-isolate for 10 days, it is the law. However, this change enables people who are not infectious, proven via 2 negative tests over 2 days, which can start from day 5, to leave isolation on day 6.

Contacts

The rules for contacts have not changed. Fully vaccinated individuals who are identified as contacts of someone with COVID-19 should take daily rapid lateral flow tests **for 7 days** but are not legally required to self-isolate.

Unvaccinated contacts are legally required to self-isolate for the full 10-day period.

Free Range Assemblies

We have scheduled some Free Range Assemblies for the second half of the term. These proved very popular with parents in the autumn term, as it is an excellent way for pupils to showcase their learning. The dates have been added to the diary dates at the end of the newsletter, however please be advised that events such as this will always be dependent on any COVID-19 restrictions at the time.



Chelsey – EYFS

Alexander – Year 1

Pollyanna – Year 3



Nursery	Ayda
EYFS	Arianna
Year 1	Lexi
Year 2	Anushka
Year 3	Kai
Year 4	Erika
Year 5	Caleb
Year 6	Julian

Governing Body

I would like to welcome on board some new members to our Academy Governing Body.

We have two new parent Governors, who were voted in last term. These are Dr Grace Bonse and Mr John Powell.

We also have a new staff governor who is Miss Henry.

Safeguarding Concerns

If you have a concern about a child the Academy has appointed Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) that you can report to. We have a number of DSLs at our Academy who will be able to support you if necessary.

DSL: Miss Everson

Deputy DSL: Miss Henry, Mr Nagre, Mrs Baines and Mr O'Dwyer.



Packed Lunches

Please can we remind parents/carers that we are a nut free school, so please check to ensure your child's packed lunches are nut free.





LAST CHANCE TO BOOK!

If there is not enough up take, unfortunately this course will have to be CANCELLED.

SPORTS AND YOUNG CITIZEN COURSE

Would your child like to train with an international athletics coach, meet local fire fighters and Police Officers, rub shoulders with an Olympic 100 metres finalist, and graduate with a special sports top and certificate?

Your PTA are thrilled to announce they have a further opportunity for your child to engage and 'graduate' in one of their super exciting 5-week courses to be run at the Academy.

Its format will be as follows, and will take place on Wednesdays after school...

35 minutes sports skills

30 minutes guest input

10 minutes introduction to the week's worksheet.

Cost is £25 per child, payable through the School gateway app'.

(Once paid in full your child will be registered for the course)

Once we have enough registrations we will inform you of the course start date. We envisage this will start after February half term.

This is a unique and very special opportunity afforded to the Academy via the PTA, registered charity 'Met-Track', and the Mayor of London, who are part-funding it. Graduates will receive a certificate with additional recognition for high achievers, plus an item of sports kit for all participants.

Presentations will be at a future school assembly

Polite Notice

Please can you keep your dog on a lead when dropping off and collecting your children at the gates.

Thank you.



Outstanding Balances

Please ensure all your invoices/debts are paid from your account at the beginning of term.

Many Thanks



Chromebooks

Chromebooks will be available to purchase throughout the spring term. All orders take around 4 working days to process.

All purchases can be made through School Gateway.

If you have any further questions regarding the purchasing of Chromebooks, please email

admin@stpstp.co.uk





To complement the workshop that the EYFS and Key Stage 1 pupils received last week, there is a free educational app for iPhones and iPads based around the theme of 'The Jungle'. It contains fun games, creative tasks and videos of the themed songs and dances. Click [here](#) to download it free or [here](#) to find out more about the the Jungle theme.

Perform run regular weekly classes in the local area and they are offering **a special introductory discount** to all parents of St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary Academy if they come along for a free trial session before Wednesday 2nd February.

To claim your discount, just call Perform on 020 7255 9120 quoting **SPAP020222** or book online at perform.org.uk.

Diary Dates

Please note the lists of dates below are subject to change and we encourage you to look each week for any changes.
Amendments are in **Blue** and Cancellations are in **Red**.

Spring Term 2022

Tuesday 1 st February 2022	Harrison – ‘Chinese New Year’ Special Lunch
Tuesday 8 th February 2022	Safer Internet Day – More Information to Follow
Thursday 10 th February 2022	Year 5 Horniman Museum Educational Visit
Thursday 10 th February 2022	Year 2 Bright Sparks Educational Visit
Friday 11 th February 2022	Last day of half term – Stars finish at 4.30pm
Monday 21 st February 2022	Pupils Return
Monday 21 st February 2022	Parent Consultation Meetings – More Information to Follow
Monday 28 th February 2022	Parent Consultation Meetings – More Information to Follow
Wednesday 2 nd March 2022	Ash Wednesday – More Information to Follow
Thursday 3 rd March 2022	World Book Day – More Information to Follow
Tuesday 8 th March 2022	Year 4 Free Range Assemblies TBC*
Thursday 10 th March 2022	Year 3 Free Range Assemblies TBC*
Tuesday 15 th March 2022	Year 5 Free Range Assemblies TBC*
Thursday 17 th March 2022	Year 6 Free Range Assemblies TBC*
Monday 21 st March 2022	Enterprise Week TBC*
Tuesday 22 nd March 2022	Year 2 Free Range Assemblies TBC*
Thursday 24 th March 2022	Year 1 Free Range Assemblies TBC*
Friday 25 th March 2022	PTA Easter Fayre TBC*
Friday 1 st April 2022	Lower Key Stage 2 Easter Passion TBC*
Friday 1 st April 2022	Last day of term – Stars finish at 4.30pm

*items TBC dependent on COVID-19 restrictions