

Academy Newsletter

Friday 7th October 2022
Autumn Term
Issue: 5



The Academy has been very busy over the last few days. I had the pleasure of escorting some pupils to the start of year Mass at St George's Cathedral last Friday. It was a lovely event led by Archbishop John Wilson and organised by the archdiocese of Southwark. The children participated enthusiastically and represented the school very well. Please see our photograph later in the newsletter where the children got to meet the archbishop.

We started our parent consultation meetings on Monday. For those who attended on School Cloud we hope you found this meeting useful. Please sign up for next Monday if you have not already done so. The rescheduled EYFS date will be sent out soon.

We have been thinking about Harvest this week and as part of this, we invited in a speaker from CAFOD. The children listened during an assembly to the work of CAFOD and thought about our own actions to help. This linked nicely to our 'We Scare Hunger Day'. Thank you for all your donations for Bromley Food Bank. We will be taking our donations on Monday, so if you were unable to give anything today there is still time on Monday.

Activities have begun for Global Diversity Awareness Month and I have particularly enjoyed seeing the work of the Year 1 children, which will go towards creating a paper quilt. It is certainly very interesting to see the diverse parts of the world our children have links to.

A big thank you to Mrs. Baines for organising our Macmillan coffee morning. It was lovely to meet with parents over a cup of tea and slice of cake for such a good cause. We will hopefully be holding some more coffee mornings in the future.

Parent Consultation Meetings

Thank you to everyone that attended on Monday. If you have not yet booked a slot, please book one for Monday 10th October.

Letters came home with your child last week with logon information.

Please contact the Academy office for further help.



Wednesday 5th October



Thank you to everyone that has donated to Macmillan, we have raised £108.16



World Mental Health Day (Hello Yellow Day) 'Wear yellow'

On Monday 10th October 2022 we will be taking part in #HelloYellow and raising vital funds. So, dig out your neon socks, custard scarf and banana hat - let's show young people they're not alone with their mental health!

Wear yellow and donate £1 or £2 this World Mental Health Day. Because a little yellow goes a long way.

You can choose to wear as little or as much yellow as you like, just donate on School Gateway and we will donate this to Young Minds.





Lexi – Year 2
Sofia – Year 2
Zara – Year 4
Carys – Year 4
Poppy – Year 5
Alfie – Year 6



Nursery	Oliver
EYFS	Jason
Year 1	Poppy
Year 2	Cane
Year 3	Tinashe
Year 4	Zara
Year 5	Chiedza
Year 6	Grace K

Attendance Ladder

Equates to:



Attendance

EYFS	97.41
Year 1	94.33
Year 2	98.0
Year 3	94.67
Year 4	97.19
Year 5	94.64
Year 6	97.35
Whole School	96.33

The winning class this week was **YEAR 2** gaining **2** stars in the space race. Well done to EYFS, Year 4 and Year 6 who gained 1 star for achieving over 97%.

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Driving Safely

Please ensure that you are driving your children safely to and from school. Whilst we appreciate that sitting in traffic may make your child late or be an inconvenience, we do not condone parents driving on the pavements next to the roads. The pavements may have small children walking on them, who may not be seen, or cars could pull out of their driveway at any time.



Reporting your child absent

Please make sure that when you are calling to report your child's absence you press option 1. You do not need to speak to somebody directly. This option has been set up so that the attendance officer is able to access all absence messages. By leaving your message on any other mailbox it is likely to not be collected and you may receive a phone call.



Application for Reception intake 2023-2024

You must apply for a primary/infant school place for your child to start reception year.

- Applications for reception year places in September 2023 opened on **1 September 2022**
- The national closing date for applications is **15 January 2023**
- The national offer date for on-time reception year applications is **17 April 2023**

If you are a Bromley resident, you need to make your application through London Borough of Bromley. You can name schools outside of Bromley on your application if you wish.

If you live outside of Bromley, you need to apply through the local authority where you live and can name Bromley schools on that application if you wish.

We strongly encourage families to apply online.

Please ensure that all required supporting documents are provided with your application to ensure that it can be processed without delay. Please see [application terms and conditions](#) for further information.

Bromley residents should **apply online** at <http://www.eadmissions.org.uk/>

There are various pieces of useful information and guidance videos available on the eAdmissions website to help you.

We require you to complete an additional form called a Supplementary Information Form (SIF). SIFs are available from the Academy Office and from our website and must be returned to the school by the closing date for applications. **A SIF is not an application for a school place**, and you must also apply for the school through Bromley.

Flu Vaccine – Catch Up

Flu Vaccinations were carried out today in school. Unfortunately, we did not get all the permissions back and therefore they will be visiting us again on 13th October 2022. Please ensure you complete your permissions by scanning this QR code.



Stars Pick Up

When you are dropping your child to Stars or collecting your child from Stars, please can you use the drop down menu on the intercom at the gate and press the **'Kitchen'** option. We have noticed that the academy office is getting called and there is not always somebody in the office to open the gate.



Birthday Cakes

If your child is celebrating a special birthday and you would like to give the child something to hand out in class at the end of the day, we ask that you do not send in homemade cakes as this can be tricky to identify the ingredients. Individual packets of sweets are ideal as these have the ingredients listed.

Start of the Year Mass

Our pupils meeting archbishop John Wilson at St George's Cathedral.



We Scare Hunger – Harvest Collection

A big thank you to all our superheroes for bringing in food donations and scaring away hunger!



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**.

Monday 10 th October 2022	World Mental Health Day (Hello Yellow Day) 'Wear yellow'
Monday 10 th October 2022	Parent Consultation Meeting – School Cloud
Thursday 13 th October 2022	Open Morning for prospective parents
Monday 17 th October 2022	Half Term – 2 weeks
Monday 31 st October 2022	Back to School
Monday 31 st October 2022	Interfaith Week
Thursday 3 rd November 2022	Diwali Assembly
Monday 7 th November 2022	Remembrance Week
Thursday 10 th November 2022	Open Morning for prospective parents
Friday 11 th November 2022	Remembrance Day
Monday 14 th November 2022	Anti-Bullying Week (more information to follow)
Friday 18 th November 2022	Children in Need (more information to follow)
Friday 25 th November 2022	Advent Mass TBC (parent/carers welcome)
Monday 5 th December 2022	Enterprise Week (more information to follow)
Friday 9 th December 2022	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 9 th December 2022	Enterprise Sale (more information to follow)
Tuesday 13 th December 2022	KS2 Nativity - Year 5 and Year 6 (more information to follow)
Wednesday 14 th December 2022	Christmas Lunch (pupil only event)
Thursday 15 th December 2022	KS1 Nativity – Year 1 and Year 2 (more information to follow)
Friday 16 th December 2022	Year 3 and Year 4 Carolling Event
Monday 19 th December 2022	Christmas Party Day (more information to follow)
Tuesday 20 th December 2022	EYFS Nativity (more information to follow)
Tuesday 20 th December 2022	Last Day of Term
Wednesday 21 st December 2022	INSET Day