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# **Academy Newsletter**

#### World Book Day

A huge thank you to all parents and carers for preparing the children so well for World Book Day. It was a fantastic turn out!

Congratulations to all the winners, we are already looking forward to next year.





## Academy Attendance:

EYFS - 96.6%

Year 1 – 94.5%

Year 2 – 98.0%

Year 3 – 96.4%

Year 4 – 96.5%

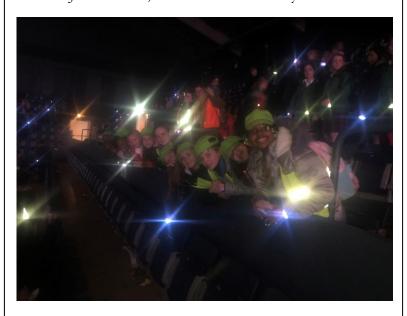
Year 5 – 96.0% Year 6 – 97.0%

Overall Academy Attendance – 96.4%

Our aim is 97%

#### We Day 2020 - Wednesday 4th March 2020

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020, some fortunate pupils were selected to attend 'We Day' at Wembley Arena. It was an incredible day attended by celebrities, inspiring speakers, world leaders, mixed with real people who celebrated a year of action that transformed communities and changed lives. The A-list celebrities include Idris Elba, Lewis Hamilton, Jamie Oliver, Leona Lewis and many more.





#### Year 4 Tate Britain Visit

On Tuesday, Year 4 had the opportunity to see their Year 3 class photograph on display amongst 3000 others as part of Steve McQueen's epic portrait of London's Year 3 pupils. It was quite a challenge to locate the photograph inside the Tate Britain gallery; for those of you that would like to visit you can see the exhibit up to 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020.



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#### **Science Week Competition**

Investigate and imagine 'Our diverse planet' and everything that makes it special. Here are some topic ideas to get you started:

Once you've done your research, it's time to get creative!

Further information on what your poster should include can be found attached.

Entries should be given to Mrs Rodney Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020.



#### **Holy Communion 2020**

If your child will be taking their First Holy Communion this year, outside of Our Lady of the Crays, please inform the Academy Office of the date and location so a member of school staff can attend.



### Friday 13th March 2020 - Sport Relief

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March children can attend the Academy dressed as a sporting hero along with donating £1 towards this great cause.

#### Junior Bake Off

Channel 4 has contacted us regarding their 6<sup>th</sup> series of 'Junior Bake Off' that celebrates culinary talent and ambition of the younger generation of Britain.

They are looking for young budding bakers ages 9-15 years old. Filming would take place in July 2020, but the application deadline close on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

For further information on how to apply please see the poster attached.

# KS2 SAT's Week – 11<sup>th</sup> May

The Year 6 pupils will be undertaking their Key Stage 2 SAT's tests during the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020. Please ensure your children do not take any time off during this period.

Further information will be provided.



#### Can you be a Zero Hero this Lent?

We were visited by Cafod this week to motivate us to be 'zero heroes' during Lent. They informed us that by recycling we are helping to look after Gods wonderful world.

Please don't forget to bring in the following for our local charities

Blankets, Sleeping Bags, Socks, Coats, Clothes (men's, women's and children's), Gloves, Scarves, Hats, Sanitary Products, Combs and Unopened Toiletries

Clothing and bedding items can be new or used (good, wearable condition). Toiletries need to be unopened.

There will be a collection box in the Academy foyer throughout Lent. For further information please see the attached letter.



#### **PTA Teacher Baby Photo Competition**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Rhéa (Year 6)

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Ava (Year 4)

Well done to everyone that took part in the PTA competition on Parents Evening.

Seedlings Academy Nursery

## Places Available

Applications are available from the Academy Office.

## **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 **Green** and Cancellations are in **Red.** 

#### Spring Term 2020

9th March 2020	Start of British Science Week
12th March 2020	Year 3 Church Visit
12th March 2020	Year 4 School Trip – Port Lympne Zoo
13th March 2020	PTA Tuck Shop
13th March 2020	Sports Relief – Dress as a sporting hero
17th March 2020	Year 2 School Trip
18th March 2020	Year 5 Liturgy – All Parents/Carers Welcome
19th March 2020	Year 3 Assembly – All Parents/Carers Welcome
19th March 2020	Year 6 School Trip - Science Museum
25th March 2020	Year 2 Liturgy – All Parents/Carers Welcome
26th March 2020	EYFS Assembly – All Parents/Carers Welcome
27th March 2020	PTA Tuck Shop
1st April 2020	KS2 Easter Passion at 9:40am
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2020	KS1 Easter Bunny Run and Eggshibition - More information to follow
3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020	Mass led by Year 1 at 11am - All Parents/Carers Welcome
3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020	PTA Tuck Shop
3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020	Stars – Stars will close at 4:30pm (There will be no tea session)
3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020	Last Day of Term

### Department for Education Coronavirus Helpline

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: <u>DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk</u> Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

Please use the above details if you have any queries regarding the Coronavirus