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Newsletter



22nd November 2019

'Together we are stronger. Together we achieve'

Dear Families,

It has been especially wonderful to see our values in action around the Academy during the last fortnight. The **respect** that the children showed when we visited All Saints Church for a Remembrance Service was impressive and I must admit brought a tear to my eye because of how proud I felt! You could have heard a pin drop when we held 2 minutes silence and children were thinking hard about the reasons we wear poppies. Each class contributed with a poem, readings or sharing work they had done and Year 5 led the prayers. Thank you to Pete Edwards from the church and the teaching staff who helped the children to understand the importance of Remembrance.

We know we are part of a **caring** community and this was shown when we asked you to bring your pennies or other coins to donate to Children in Need – Thank you - all of you and a special thanks to Miss Smith for organising this – read on to find out about the impressive total!

It has been very rewarding to visit classrooms and see all the children **striving to succeed** particularly with reading. There is real enthusiasm for sharing what they have read and the **responsibility** of bringing those reading diaries to school every day is being taken very seriously. Thank you for the active part you are playing in this because that is what is needed for all our children to succeed – you can always add to your home reading library at the book fair next week!

I know all of our teaching staff are looking forward to sharing your children's work and progress at Parent's Evenings next week... we look forward to welcoming you all – please see details below for the arrangements.

Mrs Sarah Kahler

Assistant Principal

Young Voices

On Wednesday our Young Voices choir attended the Mark De-Lisser concert based at Kelham Hall. They all had a great afternoon and Miss Bennett even played her part by doing a solo on stage!!



Children In Need

On Friday we supported Children in Need with children bringing in pennies from home, as each class was challenged to build the longest line of coins.

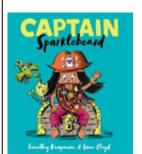
Our winners were our fabulous Year 4 class! A big thank you to our families for supporting this important charity with your donations. We raised an amazing £239.43!! An incredible amount for such a worthy charity.



Recommended Reads

Captain Sparklebeard

By Timothy Knapman



Rated on Amazon



Approx £6.99 or FREE to borrow from your local library

Peg wants to join the pirates but they don't accept girls, especially polite ones who can read. Peg decides she will go on her own and beat them to the treasure. At first they laugh at her boat made of books, but when she finds the treasure they ask if they can join her crew.

For younger readers

My Babysitter is a Robot

By Dave Cousins



Rated on Amazon



Approx £5.99 or FREE to borrow from your local library

Jake and his twin sister Jess have a robot, invented by their Grandma to babysit them. Robin the robot picks them up from school, makes them do homework, turns their games off after 30 mins and causes chaos. So, they plan to get rid of him. They try but fail, until he falls in the swimming pool and is robot napped! Then, they realise they would like their robot back. A romp of a story for younger readers, which is easy to read and has black and white line drawings throughout.

For readers aged 7+

Attendance

Please could you telephone the Academy by 9am if your child is going to be absent. Thank you

		WK 9
F1 Ahlberg	HW/LW	89.11%
F2 Blake	SP	93.47%
F2 Jeffers	ML	93.59%
Y1 Donaldson	SS	95.81%
Y1 Thomas	ZP	96.25%
Y2 Dahl	zw	96.83%
Y3 Cowell	LN	94.61%
Y4 Pullman	LB	95.64%
Y5 Said	RT/SK	98.15%
Y6 Walliams	JC	97.34%

Congratulations to Y5 Said for achieving the highest attendance!!

The whole Academy attendance currently stands at 95.22%.

Please be reminded that our attendance policy has changed. A letter was issued before in October to confirm that we can now issue a penalty notice for persistent lates as well as absences.

The attendance motto in the academy is to 'give it our best shot!' Even if children are feeling under the weather, they will come to school and if necessary we will send the children home. Please note that we have trained first aiders on site at all times, therefore your children are in safe hands.

School Games

On Wednesday a group of children from Sports Club took part in their first dodgeball tournament hosted by 'School Games'. We are extremely proud of the children who participated from Years 4 and 5. Points were awarded based on honesty and even though we didn't win, our team were fair and trustworthy. They demonstrated fantastic

sportsmanship and their determination and teamwork was incredible to watch.

We all had a great time! Well done!



Dates For Your Diary



23rd December—6th January Academy holiday. 17th February—24th February Academy holiday. 6th April—20th April Academy holiday.

8th May Bank Holiday.

25th May—1st June Academy holiday.

17th July—Academy year ends.

Book Fair

A reminder that Travelling Books will be in the Academy from Monday 25th November. We will receive rewards from all sales made to buy resources for our classrooms and books for our library - so everything you buy helps support the children at Samuel Barlow.

Visit www.travellingbooks.co.uk/parents to buy book vouchers - if you purchase these before coming to the event, you get a fabulous 20% off. We hope to see you there.

End of the Academy day

This is a polite reminder that children need to be collected from the Academy at 3.30pm promptly. We understand it is busy and you may have a short wait when we are dismissing the children but their safety is the most important factor during this process. If you know you are going to be late please telephone the Academy office so that we can do our best to reassure your children – they worry if no one is there! If you are later than others to collect your children we will ensure they are taken to the Academy office so we can contact the person who is collecting them.

Parking

This is a polite reminder that our car park is for staff vehicles only – it isn't big enough for other users as well. Please help to keep everyone safe by parking elsewhere and walking to the Academy.



Parents Evenings

Families of children in Years F2 – Y6 should have made an appointment to meet with their child's class teacher next week. (F1 families will be invited on dates in December). We ask you to wait in our Academy dining room where you will be able to look at your child's books, explore the Book Fair and chat to other staff members and find out about academy life. All teachers will come to fetch you from here for your allocated appointment and discussions will take place in separate areas of the hall.

Christmas Events

We have attached a handy list of all the planned events between now and the end of the year – we hope this is useful! We will share details and reminders on Dojo, Facebook and texts but please keep this list in a safe place so you don't miss out!

Lunchtime Superstars

Well done to the following children for their excellent behaviour at dinner time: Jacob P, Mary

O, Cally S, Chester T, Trinity P, Pauliasi, Dylan T, Jorji, Maisie G, Mason S, Hallie M





20% EXTRA FREE!

SAVE ££s with book fair gift vouchers!





OUR BOOK FAIR DATES

25th November—2nd December

Book Fair Gift Vouchers are the simple, secure way to buy books at our Book Fair - and save money!

- Visit www.travellingbooks.co.uk/parents
 to purchase your Book Fair Gift Vouchers and
 get 20% extra free!

 Available until midnight on the penultimate day of our Book Fair
- 2. Once you've made your purchase, you'll receive your voucher in an email. Print this out and take it to our Book Fair.
- **3.** Our Book Fair Organisers will validate the voucher then you can take your pick from a huge range of the best, new children's books!
- 4. As an extra thank you for supporting reading, our school will earn free books on the full value of the voucher, rather than the discount price.*

ALLERGY INFORMATION: If your child has an allergy or intolerance please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child.







FOOD IN				4 .11.19 25.11.19 16.12.19	Week3			8T.7T.8	28.10.19 18.11.19	Week 2				14.10.19 11.11.19 2.12.19	Week 1	
	Dessert		Sandwich	Vegetarian	Main	Dessert		Sandwich	Vegetarian	Main	Dessert		Sandwich	Vegetarian	Main	
	Banana Loaf with Custard	Peas Carrots	Tuna Sandwich	Quom Burger with New Potatoes	Spaghetti Bolognaise (made with organic beef mince)	Wholemeal Pear Crumble with Custard	Peppers Green Beans	Tuna Mayonnaise Sandwich	Vegetable Tagine with Couscous	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with New Potatoes	Orange Drizzle Cake	Sweetcom Coleslaw	Tuna Mayonnaise Sandwich	Quorn Sausage in a Hot Dog Roll with Potato Wedges	Pork Sausage in a Hot Dog Roll with Potato Wedges	Monday
	Chocolate Cocoa Cookie	Sweetcom Broccoli	Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich	Creamy Vegetable Pie with Mashed Potato and Gravy	50% Plant Based Chicken, Lentil and Gravy Pie with Mashed Potato Topping	Chocolate Shortbread	Peas Cauliflower	Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich	Vegetarian Soya Spaghetti Bolognaise	50% Plant Based Cottage Pie (made with organic beef mince) with Gravy	Carrot and Courgette Cake with Custard	Green Beans Carrots	Cheese Wrap	Five Bean Chilli with 50/50 Rice	Macaroni Cheese	Tuesday
	Apple, Cheese and Biscuits	Fresh Mixed Seasonal Vegetables	Hot Roast Chicken Baguette	Vegetarian Wellington with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Roast (as advertised) with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Apple Flapjack	Cabbage Carrots	Hot Roast Baguette	Quorn Fillet with Roasted New Potatoes and Gravy	Roast (as advertised) with Roasted New Potatoes and Gravy	Oaty Cookie	Cauliflower Broccoli	Hot Roast Baguette	Mixed Vegetable Loaf with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Roast Chicken and Stuffing with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Wednesday
Available Daily	Chocolate and Mandarin Sponge with Chocolate	Tomato and Onion Salad Green Beans	Tuna Mayonnaise Wrap	Roasted CauliflowerCury with Rice	Chicken Arrabiata Pasta	Eves Pudding with Custard	Sweetcorn Baked Tomatoes	Cheese Brown Baguette	Lentil and Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Chicken Tagine with Rice	Apple Crumble with Custard	Roasted Mixed Vegetables	Cheese Brown Baguette	Shepherdess Pie with Gravy	Beef Lasagne (made with organic beef mince)with Garlic Bread	Thursday
Daily	Fruit and Yoghurt Station	Baked Beans Peas	Fish Finger Wrap	Vegetable Wholemeal Pasta Bake	MSC Fish in Batter with Chips	Fruit and Yoghurt Station	Baked Beans Peas	Fish Finger Wrap	Red Pepper and Cheese Frittata	MSC Breaded Fish with Chips	Fruit and Yoghurt Station	Baked Beans Peas	. m	Cheese and Onion Quiche with Chips	MSC Fishfingers/Salmon Fishfingers with Chips	Friday

Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings (where advertised)