

Dear Samuel Barlow Primary and Wainwright Primary Academy families,

The spring has been a busy term for both academies and the governors have also been busy with our LAC meetings and visiting both academies. During this spring term we have welcomed one new governor to the committee, and we look forward to working with them over the coming years. If you feel this is something you would like to do, please speak to our Principals or our Governance Professional Lynsey Parker – lparker@diverse-ac.org.uk

Samuel Barlow this term has hosted a variety of successful events and visits including:

- Chinese New Year celebration day – including some very nice food from our wonderful catering department
- Speak out Stay safe NSPCC campaign for all children and workshops with the NSPCC.
- Nottingham Castle visit with Y3/4
- Young Voices night where we sang our hearts out
- KS1 visit to Sudbury Hall
- GREAT project with Year 5
- Family SEAL parent workshops by Inspire
- Visits to the library
- Visits to the local residential home
- Parents Evening and Book Fair
- Number day – to promote a love for number and raising money for the NSPCC
- Mental Health Week – Cinema night to raise awareness
- World Book Day – some amazing costumes and promoting a love of reading.
- PTA Valentine’s disco, where children and staff danced the night away!
- Red Nose Day – raising monies for those in the UK and further afield
- KS1 Easter workshops with Alan Darlington and the Methodist Church

Wainwright Primary Academy this term has hosted a variety of successful events and visits including:

- Aspirations Week – Our ‘Reach for the Stars’ week where children explored future careers and aspirations
- Chinese New Year celebration day – including some very nice food from our wonderful catering department
- Young Voices night where we sang our hearts out
- Mini Police has been running in Year 5
- Breathe has been running in Y6 supporting children’s mental health
- Visits to the library
- Parents Evening
- Mental Health Week
- World Book Day –Some fabulous costumes with lots of outdoor learning opportunities linked to planting. A great day celebrating a love of learning
- PTA Valentine’s disco
- Red Nose Day – some amazing costumes based on the last four decades whilst raising monies for those in the UK and further afield
- ‘Ladies we love’ breakfast celebrating Mothering Sunday
- Year 1 have visited the National Space Centre

- Regular visits to our local church
- Early Years have been visited by local church leaders.

As governor's we continue to work with and support all the staff within our academies and we continue to ask questions, especially around developments and improvements to the curriculum in both academies. Within our link visits we look at the Health and Wellbeing of our students and staff as well as safeguarding being at the forefront of our conversations. Attendance continues to improve and with that we thank both staff and parents for their continued support in this.

On behalf of the governor's may I wish you a happy Easter, enjoy the break.

Kind regards

Mr Pete Edwards, Chair of Academy Committee governors