

# STAR ACADEMY SANDYFORD Newsletter



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## DIARY DATES

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December – POLLING DAY –  
ACADEMY CLOSED

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December EYFS and KS1 Nativity –  
showings at 9:30am, 2:30pm and 5:30pm

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Nursery and Reception  
trips to The New Vic Theatre Tale Trail

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December –

- Dress up for Christmas day (jumpers dresses, etc) – donations to Save the Children and PTFA
- Christmas dinner day.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas party day –  
party clothes to be worn

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – UNIFORM TO BE WORN  
PLEASE

- Last day of term

Monday January 6<sup>th</sup> 2020 – Academy opens for  
the start of term

## Class Dojo results October 2019

Nursery	1637	7
Reception	1548	7
Year 1	4003	9
Year 2	4094	23
Year 3	1160	4
Year 4	2639	21
Year 5	2636	33
Year 6	2127	13
Total	17,208	119

Dear Parents and friends of Star Academy,

What a busy term we have had. We've had visits from Arctic explorers, The Owl Man and RAF pilots. Our children have been on a range of class trips such as The Manchester Science Museum, the local church, The Imperial War Museum and Peak Wildlife Park and of course there was our Christmas treat to the New Vic Theatre where the children showed off what being a STAR child means with their exceptional behaviour. The staff have worked very hard to bring our new curriculum alive and there are more trips and visitors planned for 2020.

Unfortunately, due to a lack of interest, we have had to cancel our Christmas Carol Concert which is a shame as it is a beautiful way to start the Christmas season for families. Maybe next year...

Due to increasing numbers, we need to change the way that breakfast club is organised. Please see the feature overleaf. From January 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 you will have to book your children into breakfast club using School Money. Unfortunately, following advice, we can no longer have parents in the breakfast Club. The provision will be purely for the children.

We have had a lot of illness at the Academy this term, especially in Early Years. We are working extra hard to keep the Academy clean and germ free.

It has been a real pleasure to be the Principal at Star Academy since February. The community that surrounds our academy is warm and giving. I thank each and every one of you for your ongoing support and thank you for your patience with the changes we have made to improve the Academy.

I would like to wish you and your families a happy and peaceful Christmas and a joyous and healthy 2020.

Mrs K Wildman

Principal

# Changes to Breakfast Club

From January 1<sup>st</sup> 2020

Breakfast club will be open from 7:30am.

Breakfast club will be cashless and therefore all children who wish to attend the breakfast club will need to be **booked in through School Money.**

There will be a daily charge of £2.00 for children attending breakfast club from 8am-8:50am and a charge of £3.00 for children attending from 7:30am.

**Children not booked in, will not be able to attend breakfast club.**

**Please note: Children arriving before 8:30am without an adult will be taken into breakfast club and there will be a fee of £2.00 added to the parent's account.**

**If you have any questions about the changes, please speak to your class teacher.**



If you are in need of any hygiene products, please call in and see Mrs Williams who will make a quick and very discreet call to the hygiene bank on your behalf. They will deliver a bag of goodies to the Academy and we will pass them on to you as soon as they arrive, no questions asked.

## Foodbank Vouchers

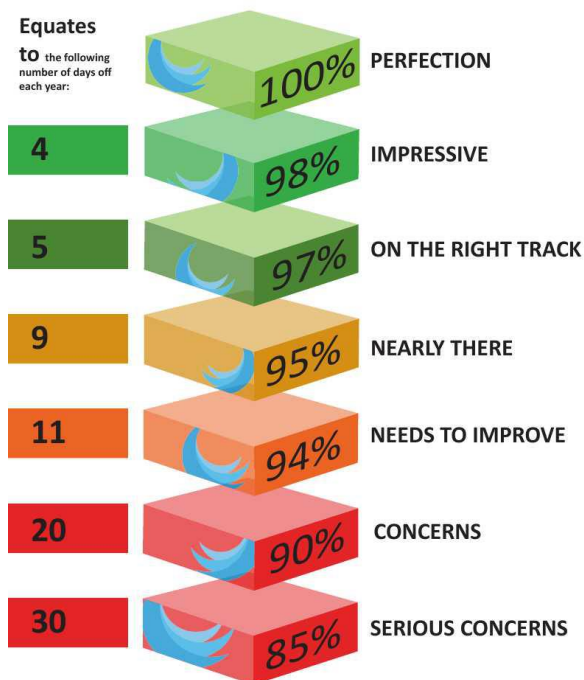
Did you know that we have vouchers for the foodbank?

If we can help, please ask any staff member and they will help you to get the support that you need.

# ATTENDANCE



Equates  
to the following  
number of days off  
each year:



## SAFEGUARDING - PREVENT

**There are many concerns in our local area about gangs and knife crime. If you would like some advice about such issues, you can find it at:**

**<https://educateagainsthate.com/parents/>**

We work really hard to make sure that we provide your child with the very best experiences at Star Academy. However, there may be a time when you are unhappy about the provision and would like to make a complaint.

There is a copy of our complaint's procedure on our website

<http://staracademy.attrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Complaints-Procedure.pdf>

We hope that you never need to use it.

Class	% attendance
Nursery	93.5
Reception	89.1
Year 1	93.7
Year 2	95.3
Year 3	96.4
Year 4	96.4
Year 5	97.3
Year 6	93.9

**Congratulations  
to  
Year 5 for having  
the best  
attendance in  
November 2019**



## EVERY SESSION COUNTS

12 unauthorised sessions, which includes holidays, **will** result in a fine. If you need help with your child's attendance, please pop in to see our Mrs Williams our Home School Link Worker

## Absence procedures

Please make sure that you contact the Academy every day during your child's absence. We have a legal duty of care to follow up if we do not receive a call to provide us with a reason for your child being off school.

If we have not been provided with a reason for absence the following takes place:-

- Call to parents and if no response then calls to all other contacts.
- Text message to parents.
- If no response then request Educational Welfare Officer to do a home visit.
- Designated Safeguarding Lead and Home School Link Worker advised.
- On pupil's return to school a letter will be sent home requesting reason for absence slip to be completed and returned.



