



# NEWSLETTER

A message from the

## PRINCIPAL

Dates for Your

### DIARY



**Monday 8th January 2024**

*After School and Booster Clubs begin again*

**Friday 12th January 2024**

*Academy closed for Inset (Staff training)*

**Friday 19h January 2024**

*Falconry Visit for EYFS and Y1*

**22nd 7 23rd January**

*Parents evening*

**Friday 2nd February**

*Book Start session for Nursery children*

**Friday 9th February**

*School closes for half term*

**Monday 19th February**

*School re-opens*

Dear Parents and Carers,

The beginning of the spring term has been very busy with so many wonderful learning experiences.

The children in our EYFS and Year One were mesmerised by the owls that visited to further enhance their learning. Equally, they were very brave as the owls flew marginally above their heads.

This half term, we continue to further develop our culture. We are getting very good at 'Quiet Corridors' and settling in to 'Morning Meetings' and giving '100%'. Well done children!

We are delighted that our Year 5 and Year 6 children will be taking part in our first inter-sports competition for football this half term . Mr Farr and Mr Haley are planning on many more in school and out of school competitions.

Appointments for parents evening will be released shortly. Please book a time to speak to your child's teacher.

We have noticed how many children are wearing the correct school uniform,. Thank you.

*Mrs Sara Bloor*

**Principal**



# Healthy School, Healthy Lunch

From September 2024, we will be introducing a new procedure for snacks, lunch boxes and drinks to promote a healthy lifestyle.

Examples of a Healthy Lunch Box



- EXAMPLE 1**
- Sandwich
  - Fruit
  - Drink
  - Nuts
  - Seeds
  - Sweetener
  - No alcohol
  - No caffeine
  - No sugar
  - No salt
  - No oil
  - No fat



- EXAMPLE 2**
- Sandwich
  - Fruit
  - Drink
  - Nuts
  - Seeds
  - Sweetener
  - No alcohol
  - No caffeine
  - No sugar
  - No salt
  - No oil
  - No fat



# Safeguarding



This Month's Focus

## Roblox

We have been made aware that children can access the online Love Island game through Roblox. When accessing this through Roblox, they will be exposed to strong innuendo, cursing, competing in challenges as in the series and for meeting people they don't know.

Please read the NSPCC information below for advice on Roblox and how to set parental controls.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/>

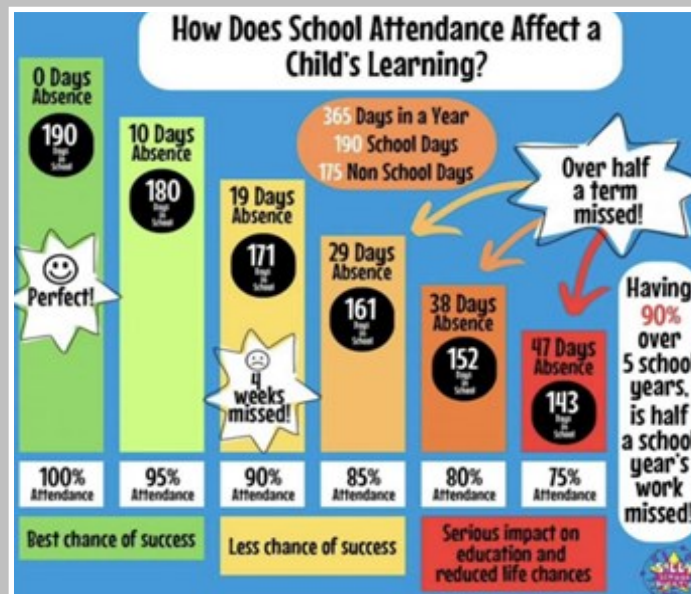
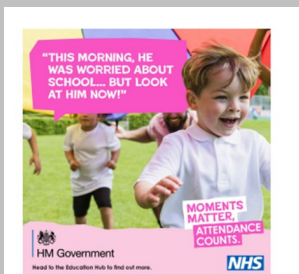
# Club Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School	Breakfast Club revision from 8am	Y6 Booster Breakfast Club revision from 8am	Y6 Booster Breakfast Club revision from 8am	Y6 Booster Breakfast Club revision from 8am	Breakfast Club revision from 8am
After School/ Booster	KS1 Multisport SG/EH Y5 Maths Y1 Booster JH	Green Fingers KIS1&2 ST/DK Homework LM KS2 Netball DL Y3/Y4 Multisport LAE	Y3&4 Spelling JPB	EYFS Phonics & Maths Booster MH KS2 Football WF/JH KS2 Singing SP Y2 Booster CK	



## ATTENDANCE

- Autumn attendance 95.4%
- Reception 96.1%
- Y1 96.5%
- Y2 95.4%
- Y3 94.8%
- Y4 95.4%
- Y5 95.4%
- Y6 94.9%





# Lunch Menu



Please follow the link for the menu for the autumn/winter menu:

[Lunch - Star Academy Sandyford \(attrust.org.uk\)](https://attrust.org.uk)



We have free spaces for breakfast club. Please enquire at the school office. All children that attend, must have an allocated place and booked in online.



7.30 – 8am Breakfast club is chargeable

8.00—8.30 am Breakfast club is free

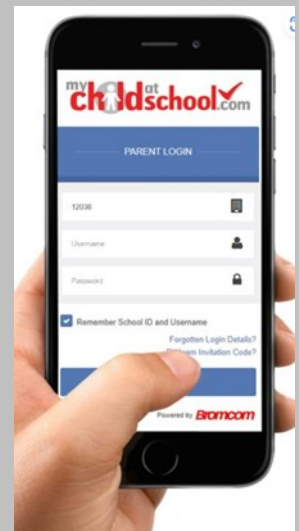
## Please be considerate to our neighbours and children

Over the past few weeks, we have had several complaints from residents and parents within our academy about the parking.

The safety of our pupils and families holds the highest priority for us. PLEASE help us to keep everyone safe by parking appropriately and safely. As a result, there will be increased patrols from PCSOs.



*Have you downloaded the My Child at School App?*





### YoungMinds Parents Helpline

A helpline that provides information and advice to parents/carers who are worried about a child or young person's wellbeing/mental health.

The service is available 9.30am–4.00pm, Monday to Friday.

Call: 0808 802 5544

## Worry Monsters have arrived in the classrooms!



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# Volunteers Wanted

Would you like to hear children read, help them in the classroom with their learning or support when going on trips? If yes, we would like to hear from you.



Please contact the school office 01782 235055.

We would love to hear from you.