

Fatfield Article

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Introduction

Welcome to this half term newsletter! This half-term a lot of interesting things have been happening around Fatfield Academy: brand new water bottles have been distributed; World Book Day, which celebrated our favourite book characters, was great fun; Our Comic Relief fundraising event; a Year 5 class assembly that was out of this world!

Read on to find out more!

By Jessica Connelly



World Book Day

On the 2nd of March (World Book Day) a barbaric event happened in Fatfield Academy! When we arrived at school, we noticed that a Hungarian horntail - a highly vicious dragon - had entered our school!

After checking the CCTV cameras, it appeared that the dragon ended up landing in our very own school courtyard.

This extraordinary event led our brave Fatfield pupils to write persuasive letters to the Dragon Appreciation Society team to get them to come and retrieve their dragon!

To make this day even more exciting, all of our pupils dressed up in the theme of superheroes, princess, knights and the dreaded dragon! All our pupils really enjoyed solving the class dragon story.



By Abbie Preston

Year 5 Class Assembly

Miss Westgarth and her hard-working and extremely talented children in Year 5 produced a spectacular space assembly. After weeks of practising, they performed it and the children, parents and staff who saw it said it was amazing! Everyone now knows the order of the planets which is: Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune thanks to the catchy rap that was sang throughout the play.

By Eve Metcalf



Red Nose Day 2017



Red Nose Day is celebrated to raise money for the poverty-struck children in the UK and Africa. We wear red noses on this day because it is a day where you can act daft and still raise money for charity.



This year, on 24th March 2017, Fatfield Academy Inspires hosted an event for the charity (dressing up with funny costumes and hairstyles).

This year our school alone managed to raise over £171.35 which is amazing! Thank you all so much!

Everyone loves Red Nose Day because you can have fun whilst helping a worthy cause.

By Mason Holmes.

Year 4 Skipping Festival

On the 28th of March, Yr4 took part in a skipping festival at Oxclose Community Academy. After training very hard, all Year 4 pupils travelled to Oxclose where they competed against various schools. After their fabulous skip-dance routine, Ruby Porter told us that it was really fun. She went on to say how much they enjoyed watching all of the other school's performances too. On the day, the children in Year 4 also participated in different forms of skipping such as: Speed bounce, Double bounce, Pretzel, Side swing, Keep the pot boiling; Run in and out plus many more. Well done to all who took part, the fabulous four's brought back various silver and bronze awards and Holly Stacey and Jamie Pentland managed to get gold for the double bounce!

By Freddie Wrintmore



Brand New Water bottles!

As you already know, after a lot of fundraising and hard-work, we have been able to purchase three brand new water-fountains.

We are now pleased to announce that our funky, cool water bottles are now here; we think they're great! However, before we could use them; the safety team got together and explained to every class how to use the fountains and bottles safely.

By Ruby Moon.

Wraparound Care Changes for 2016 - 2017

Breakfast Club

Daily from

8.00am - 9.00am

£4.00

Kool Kids Club

Session 1: 3.15 - 4.30pm (£3.00)

Session 2: 3.15 - 5.30pm (£6.00)

(Light snack included)

Paying in Advance

To work in line with Inspire MAT, as from September 2016, our breakfast club and afterschool club will run on a pay in advance system, which is non-refundable if not attended. The reason this applies is due to staffing and food quantities needed for each day.

Booking in Advance

While the club recognises the need for emergency admissions we would request all parents/carers book their children into the club the week before their child's visit enclosing payment at time of booking, to help us organise appropriate requirements.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We wear school uniform so we are all equal. Since we became an academy our uniform has had a

small change. The new school badge! We love it!



Please make sure you wear the correct uniform every day for school.

Written by Eve Metcalf

- Grey/black skirts, pinafores, trousers for **all** children
- Grey/black/white socks or tights
- Gold polo shirts embroidered with the school logo
- **BLACK** sweatshirts/cardigans embroidered with the school logo
- Yellow and white stripe /check dress for the girls during the summer time
- Suitable and sensible **black** shoes or **plain black** trainers with no logos
- Nail varnish is not permitted

PE KIT

- Gold Fatfield T-Shirt
- Black shorts or tracksuit bottoms
- Suitable trainers

Attendance

It is important to attend school so you get a good education. To reward the children the school gives the pupils badges and certificates. If the pupils of our school get above our target of 97% they get a certificate. However, if they get 100% they will receive a bronze badge as well. If they get 100% twice they will get silver. The third time is a gold badge. It is important to attend school because every day is a day of learning.

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The information below shows how non-attendance can affect your child's future progression.

Above 97%: Less than 6 days absence a year

Pupils in this group will almost certainly get the best grades they can, leading to better prospects for the future. Pupils will also get into a habit of attending school which will help in the future.

95%: 10 days absence a year

Pupils in this group are likely to achieve good grades and form a habit of attending school regularly. Pupils who take a 10 days holiday during term time every year can only ever achieve 95% attendance.

92%: 15 days absence a year

Pupils in this group are missing a three weeks of school per year; it will be difficult for them to achieve their best. The school may consider referring pupils with this level of attendance to the Local Authority

90%: 19 days absence a year

The Government classifies pupils in this group as "Persistent Absentees" and it will be almost impossible for them to keep up with work. Parents of pupils in this group could also face the possibility of legal action being taken by the Local Authority.

A polite reminder....

Please can we remind all parents, carers and visitors to the school to be considerate when parking their vehicles.

The health and safety of children, parents, visitors and staff is paramount at our school. This term it has been noted that: cars are being parked in disabled bays; cars are parked up on pavements making it impossible for children to pass safely; and cars are even being parked across the zebra crossings!

Please respect our rules; they are in place to keep us safe.

IMPORTANT DATES

Save the Date!

Year Group Attendance

for Spring 2 2017

Rec 96.97%

Year 1 96.67%

Year 2 95.56%

Year 3 96.81%

Year 4 95.78%

Year 5 98.13%

Year 6 96.94%

The whole school achieved
96.37% attendance
during Spring Term 2

This is just below our
school target of 97%

4.5.17	Year 1 class assembly
8.5.17	Year 6 SATs week
23.5.17	Year 6 go to Ford Castle
29.5.17 - Half Term	
23.6.17	Photographer in school to take class photographs
6.7.17	Invitation afternoon
WB 10.7.17	SEND Reviews
11.7.17	Parent's evening
13.7.17	Reception Graduation
21.7.17	Leavers' Service
	Break up for Summer.