

Message from the Head Teacher:



On Monday (5th) we held our "Charity Comedy Evening" and it was a truly amazing night. Not only was the entertainment from John Richardson and Lucy Beaumont resoundingly funny but we managed to raise from ticket sales, donations and raffles in excess of £14,000. We are truly grateful to have such an amazing community and we dearly thank you.

As we're now on countdown for the last two weeks of term I wanted to let you know that our last day of term is 22nd December and we shall be finishing at 12:00 noon. Any student who has free school meals is welcome to come to the canteen at 12:00 where we shall make sure they receive a hot meal before fully closing a 12:30 for the Christmas break.

Attendance Matters:

The bacteria 'Strep A' has been very much in the news of late. As you no doubt are aware by now, it is a bacteria that causes infections such as sore throat, scarlet fever, and skin infections like impetigo. If your child has any of the symptoms identified you must contact your GP and inform the school immediately so we are aware and can accurately record the reasons for your child's absence. We are receiving many emails and calls where parents are stating that their child is just 'unwell.' Unfortunately, this isn't enough information and, without knowing the exact reasons for your child's non- attendance, we are not able to record it as authorised- it will therefore be an unauthorised absence. Please, therefore, let either Miss Mills or Miss Heath know of the exact reason(s) and- where possible- provide medical evidence to support. Many thanks for your continued support. The Attendance Team. #attendancematters

Quality of Education:



As many of us look forward to Saturday's big game, the Library team would like to remind all students that a superb collection of sportrelated books, both fiction and non-fiction, can be borrowed from, or enjoyed in, the school Library. Reading has many benefits in addition to reading for pleasure - it is a great form of relaxation, it benefits our mental health, and it is associated with better quality sleep. Make sure that you pop into the Library soon to enjoy your next great read.



LEAD:

Form of the fortnight: Star of the fortnight:

8N for receiving the most rewards Joe F-G for being the most rewarded student





EMPOWER:

Form of the fortnight: Star of the fortnight: 7E for having the best attendance

Shanade C for being the most rewarded student

 ACHIEVE:

 Form of the fortnight:
 11B for the highest attendance in achieve last week - keep it up

 Star of the fortnight:
 Well done to Pheobe B for the most reward points last week



DRIVE:Form of the fortnight:Well done to 7R for the best attendance in Drive last weekStar of the fortnight:Rafael A for the most reward points last week

Uniform

We understand that things are hard for families at the moment and we really want to help as much as we can. With this in mind, for PE shin pads are a compulsory (LEAD policy) piece of equipment but football boots are only advised for Football. Where we can, we shall lend out any boots we have as we understand that the cost of these is high and that not all students play for a weekend team. If we don't have enough equipment to lend out, please be rest assured that no sanctions will be issued.

Coats

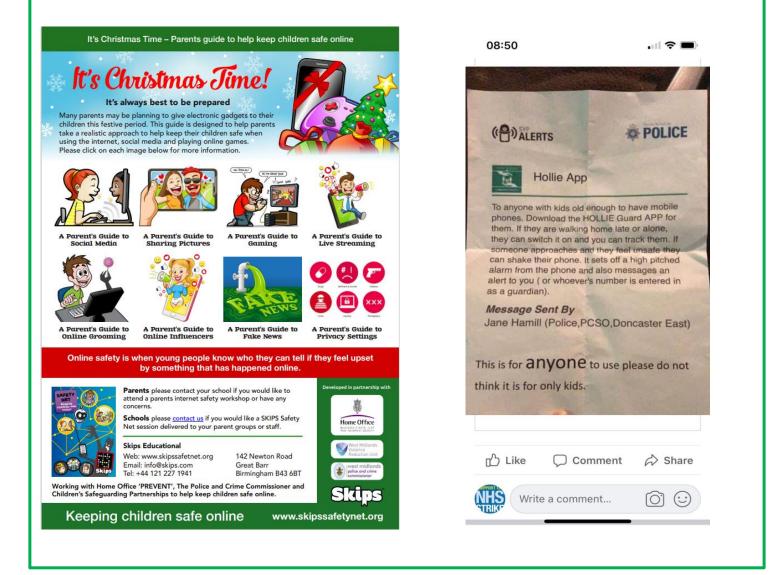
With the wet and cold weather now upon us, and we are seeing quite a few of our children coming to school with no coat.

We would like to reiterate we have in our possession some waterproof/winter coats in all sorts of sizes that we would like to offer out to any of our families who are struggling. If you feel you would like one of these coats please email Miss Broadhurst (<u>debbie.broadhurst@noelbakeracademy.co.uk</u>) letting her know the gender and size and she will arrange for a coat, should we have the required gender and size available at that time, to be discreetly left in our Reception for your attention to be collected. Should we not have the required item a list will be kept and contact made by Miss Broadhurst when we may have been able to acquire one for you.



Safeguarding:

Please see below two poster we thought parents might find useful:







Thoughts for the Weeks Ahead and PSHE Topics:

Week commencing 12th December:

Lead - 'If your actions create a legacy that inspires others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, then, you are an excellent leader.' Dolly Parton, Singer/Songwriter

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| 7 | Celebrating Differences | a. What bullying is b. Why people bully c. The difference between bullying and banter |
| 8 | Law & justice system | a. Some of the powers the police have b. Why the police have these powers |
| 9 | Celebrating Difference: Discrimination | a. The difference between prejudice and discrimination b. The definition of the word 'equality' c. What protected characteristics are d. What types of bullying are classed as hate crimes |
| 10 | Being Me: Grief | a. What the grief cycle is b. How we respond to grief c. What grief looks like d. How to find help with grief |
| 11 | Jobs for the Future | a. What your dream job might be b. Why you might need to change your skill set as your career develops c. Some possible barriers to some of your dreams and goals d. What a contingency plan is |





Library



Our thanks go to Abigail 9E who kindly made us this lovely Christmas House for us to display in the library.





Facilities Management:

Message from Uniform Direct - Christmas Opening Hours

Christmastime is our summer holiday when we recharge our batteries ready for when our New Year stock starts arriving in January and February, ready for us to begin all over again. It is great fun, and extremely exhausting at times, but we thoroughly enjoy what we do working with the students and you the parents. Should you need us over the festive period please see below our opening times:

| Saturday 10th Dec 2022 to Tuesday 27th Dec 2022 | CLOSED | | lerry C | | |
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| Wednesday 28th Dec 2022 to Friday 30th Dec 2022 | OPEN 9.30am to 5pm | að | Nappy | new 2 | lear |
| Saturday 31st Dec 2022 | CLOSED | | 1000 | 1000 | |
| Sunday 1st Jan 2023 | CLOSED | 6 | 12 | 1000 | |
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| from Tuesday 3rd Jan 2023 | 9.30am to Spm (closed Work and Sat) | 1 | l ha | - Party | 2 |
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