Edith Cavell Academy

Fortnightly Newsletter

18/11/16

Dear Parents, Carers and families,

Another two weeks gone and another fortnight rich with exciting learning! We are very proud of our children for all of the effort they are putting in every day. We would like to thank them as well as yourselves for your support of learning and for trying hard to get them in every day, even if they have a little cold. Every learning day is a valuable experience. Just a quick reminder to listen to your children read every evening and support with homework where necessary. Thank you!

Notes
From our Head of School

This years Christmas Lunch will be held on Wednesday 14th December.
You should have received an order form this week. Please ensure that you return the form regardless of whether you child/children would like the lunch or not. There is an option to tick if they do not. Even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and are entitled to free meals the form will need to be returned.
The form MUST be returned by Thursday 1st December so the kitchen staff are able to order the correct quanties. If the form isn't return your child will not be able to have the Christmas lunch.

On Friday 25th November Nursery, Reception, Years 1 and 2 will be having a 'Room on the Broom' Day, to celebrate the 15th Anniversary of the children's book 'Room on the Broom' by Julia Donaldson. If you are in these classes and would like to dress up we would love to see you as one of the characters in this fantastic book.

'Children in Need' at Edith Cavell Academy and Nursery has been a raging success! We have raised £292.71 for an amazing cause. Thank you to every single one of you for donating and our children have had a very fun spotty, dotty day!

Our programme where Year 6 and Reception pair up and read together is on-going. This will improve our confidence in reading and comprehension across both year groups.
In order to support presentation and letter formation, some Year Five learners will support Year Two every week for at least half an hour. This will boost confidence with both year groups.

We would be grateful if you listened to your child reading for at least **fifteen minutes** every day, whether this is a fiction, non-fiction or poetry text. This will greatly improve their confidence, skills and enjoyment of reading, as well as support their progress. We would also like to remind you that homework comes in every week and can be completed with your support. Homework Club is still offered for Key Stage two learners every Friday between 12.40pm and 1.10pm.

Norfolk County Council **2016-2017** Norfolk Model Calendar

This calendar applies to community schools, community special schools, VC schools and nursery schools and sets the days on which school transport will be provided. While most Foundation, VA, foundation special, free schools and academy trusts who are able to set their own dates, adopt the Norfolk Model, we advise you to check with your child's school before making holiday or other commitments.

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Key : White dates - schools open to pupils
Yellow dates - pupil holiday
Red dates - bank holiday

Five staff training days will be selected from yellow dates, we suggest 1 & 2 September and 4 January and two others of the schools choice. Some may choose to use twilight hours for staff training instead of some or all of these

Holidays taken in term time will not be authorised and depending on circumstances you may be refererred to Norfolk County Council for a fixed penalty notice. Taking your child out of school during term time will be detrimental to their educational progress. Please note that all children should be in school for the whole month of May due to SATS exams.

More Dates for your diaries

Wednes 23rd Nov; Year 5 to Hewett for a dance and drama experience

Thurs 24th Nov - Rec Cinema Trip

Wednes 30th Nov; Year 5 Lakenham Library

Thurs 1st Dec Choir sing at Lakenham Lunch club

Mon 5th Dec - Christmas Bazaar 2:30pm

Tues 6th Dec - Nativity

Thurs 8th Dec - Nativity

(more details to follow)

Well done to our '**Celebration Assembly**' winners below; keep up the good work!

Well done to everybody who entered Miss Metcalf's Nursery Rhyme Competition! We had lots of wonderful entries; its fantastic to see you sharing your learning with adults at home too.

Our Class winners!

Cakes for Coaches winners!