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Top Team

Congratulations to the children in Years 5 and 6 who have been chosen to be in the “Top Team”. The standard of the application forms was very high. Children in the “Top Team” will help other children and adults around the school. Their responsibilities will include supporting our Upper Foundation Stage children at lunchtime, being a sports leader and helping out in the library and the office. These jobs will help the children to develop skills which they can use in the next stage of their education.

Library

Reading continues to be a focus for development for the academy this year. We need to encourage our children to read for pleasure. The table below shows the dates when your child will visit the library this half- term. Please ensure your child brings their library book back to school on this date so that they can change it and take out a new book. Children in Key Stage 1 will bring home a book from the library that is suitable for you to read with them. You can also ask your child questions about the book afterwards.

Year 1	Tuesday 23 rd September, Tuesday 7 th October and Tuesday 21 st October
Year 2	Wednesday 24 th September, Wednesday 8 th October and Wednesday 22 nd October
Year 3	Thursday 25 th September, Thursday 9 th October and Thursday 23 rd October
Year 4	Tuesday 30 th September and Tuesday 14 th October
Year 5	Wednesday 1 st October and Wednesday 15 th October
Year 6	Thursday 2 nd October and Thursday 16 th October

Attendance

The table below shows the attendance for each class last week. Congratulations to three classes for having an attendance of 100%! Each week, our whole-school attendance should be at least 96%.

Upper Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
100%	98.9%	100%	100%	98.6%	94.4%	96.8%	98.4%

Term-Time Holidays

Holidays during term time will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. If you think your circumstances are exceptional, you can fill in a holiday form and return it to us four weeks before you go on holiday. We will write back to you before you go on holiday to let you know whether the holiday will be authorised. We will not authorise any forms that we receive after you have been on holiday. If you take your child out of school for a holiday in term time, you may receive a fine from the local authority.

Dates for Your Diary

Below are the upcoming events for the autumn term. Further details about these events will be sent out nearer the time.

Lower Key Stage 2 Harvest Festival assembly	Thursday 25 th September
Lower Key Stage 2 INSPIRE morning	Monday 29 th September
Governors’ meeting	Monday 29 th September
Reception class INSPIRE morning	Tuesday 30 th September
School Photographer	Wednesday 1 st October
Key Stage 1 INSPIRE morning	Thursday 2 nd October
Upper Key Stage 2 INSPIRE morning –	Friday 3 rd October
Year 2 visit to Emergency Vehicles Museum	Friday 3 rd October
Reception class Read Together	Tuesday 7 th October
Year 3 visit to Magna	Wednesday 8 th October
Year 5 visit to Royal Armouries	Thursday 9 th October
Year 1 Read Together	Thursday 9 th October
Year 2 Read Together	Friday 10 th October
Year 1 Dinosaur fossil workshop	Friday 7 th November
Parents’ evening	Tuesday 11 th November
Future in Minds coffee morning	Wednesday 12 th November
Parents’ evening	Wednesday 12 th November
Year 4 visit to Leeds City Museum	Thursday 13 th November
Odd Socks Day	Friday 14 th November
Reception class Rhyme Time	Tuesday 18 th November
Year 1 Rhyme Time	Thursday 20 th November
Year 6 visit to Lotherton Hall	Thursday 20 th November
Reception class visit Hemsworth Library	Thursday 20 th November
Reception class visit from a theatre company	Tuesday 2 nd December
Year 3, 4 and 5 visit from Wakefield Museum	Wednesday 3 rd December
Reception class Christmas Read Together	Tuesday 9 th December
Reception class Christmas performance	Thursday 11 th December
Year 1 Christmas Read Together	Thursday 11 th December
Year 2 Christmas Read Together	Friday 12 th December
Lower Key Stage 2 Christmas Party	Tuesday 16 th December
Key Stage 1 Christmas Party	Thursday 18 th December
Reception class Christmas Party	Friday 19 th December
Upper Key Stage 2 Christmas Party	Friday 19 th December

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Johnson
Headteacher