

# Civitas Academy Bulletin

## 04/12/17



Dear Parents and Carers,

This term we have been working with all our children on the different ways that we learn and what we can do when we are stuck. All the classes have created a 'Learning Pit' in their classrooms that helps them to think about some of the skills and strategies we can use if we find learning to be a challenge sometimes. We have also created a whole school 'Learning Pit' for all the adults and children in our school. Please take some time to talk to your children about this.



Across our REAch2 schools we are working on developing 'Visible Learners' children who understand how they learn as well as what they are learning. Thinking about thinking is a driving force towards effective learning.

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December is an INSET day** where all staff across our Reading schools will continue their training on recognizing the impact that they have on developing 'Visible Learners.'

**WEBSITE:** Our new school website has gone live!! There are a few little bits we are still adding on but please take your time to have a look. Thank you. [www.civitasacademy.co.uk](http://www.civitasacademy.co.uk)

## Stars of the Week

**Elmer – Hadi – for being a kind friend and helping others**

**Paddington – Oscar – for being a kind friend and helping others**

**Gruffalo – Kyrie – for super achievement on his Maths challenge**

**Pinocchio – Eva – for always modelling good behavior, super helper and being engaged in learning**

**Matilda – Madara – for excellent improvement in her thinking skills in Maths**

**BFG – Assi – for always trying her best and managing her distractions superbly.**

### Assembly:

In our assemblies this week we will be showing our children in Year 1 and Year 2 (Key Stage 1) the different trophies they can work towards. Staff nominate different children for the different categories. The children are then presented the award at the end of term assembly. #proud



### Attendance:



**Our School Target for this year is 96.5%**

**Congratulations to BFG class this week with a superb 100% attendance.**

**Across the school we are all working hard to make improvements with our attendance. Our Whole school attendance this week was 95.55%**

BFG – 100%  
Matilda – 96.33%  
Gruffalo – 95.09%  
Pinocchio – 96.92%  
Elmer – 90.34%  
Paddington – 95.29%

### **A Message from Mr. Wyld:**

Hello. I wanted to take this opportunity to share that I will be leaving my role at the end of this term at the Christmas break.

It has been a privilege to work for the pupils and families of The Palmer, Ranikhet and Civitas Academies, and I have thoroughly enjoyed my time developing the schools alongside the staff, governors, REAch2 Academy Trust and the local community. I would like to thank the pupils, parents and staff for continuing to be amazing proponents of great learning and I wish you all the best as you continue the journey together towards becoming a family of great schools. It has been a truly rewarding experience for me and I have many proud memories to take with me on my next journey.

### **Key Dates:**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Nasal vaccinations**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December – INSET DAY (School CLOSED to pupils)**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas show dress rehearsal 2.00pm – Parents with babies and buggies**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas show at 2.00pm**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas show at 9.30am**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day – ‘Save the Children’ – Wear your Christmas jumper and make a donation to ‘Save the Children’**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Pupils Christmas Lunch**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of After school club**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of term**

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 – INSET DAY (School CLOSED to pupils)**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018 – Pupils return to school (Breakfast and After school club begins)**

Have a fantastic week.

Salima Ducker and Robert Wyld  
Executive Head Teachers

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