Term 2 - Newsletter — Inspire Academy

December 2024 Edition



Headteacher Comment

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we conclude another successful term at Inspire Academy, I am proud to reflect on the incredible activities and accomplishments of our school community. Highlights include our participation in Children in Need and Odd Socks Day, as well as the wide range of outdoor learning activities that have been instrumental in developing our learners' life skills—equipping them with essential tools for adulthood.

Our Bloom pupils, supported by Miss Buckberry and Mrs. Thomas, have shown exceptional dedication to this year's Christmas Shoebox Appeal, and we are deeply grateful for their contributions to supporting our local community. Additionally, with our newly elected Pupil Parliament members in place, we look forward to their continued efforts to champion charitable causes in the coming year.

As 2024 comes to a close, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all our staff members who consistently go above and beyond to support and inspire our young people. To everyone in our school community, I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We look forward to welcoming all pupils back to Inspire Academy on Monday 6th January 2025, at 8:30 AM.

All the best,

Mr O'Donnell



Children In Need 2024

In support of this year's Children in Need event, our school hosted a non-uniform day, alongside a variety of fun and engaging activities, to raise awareness and promote this important cause.

We are delighted to announce that we raised a fantastic total of $\pounds 63.70$ –a wonderful achievement for our school community.

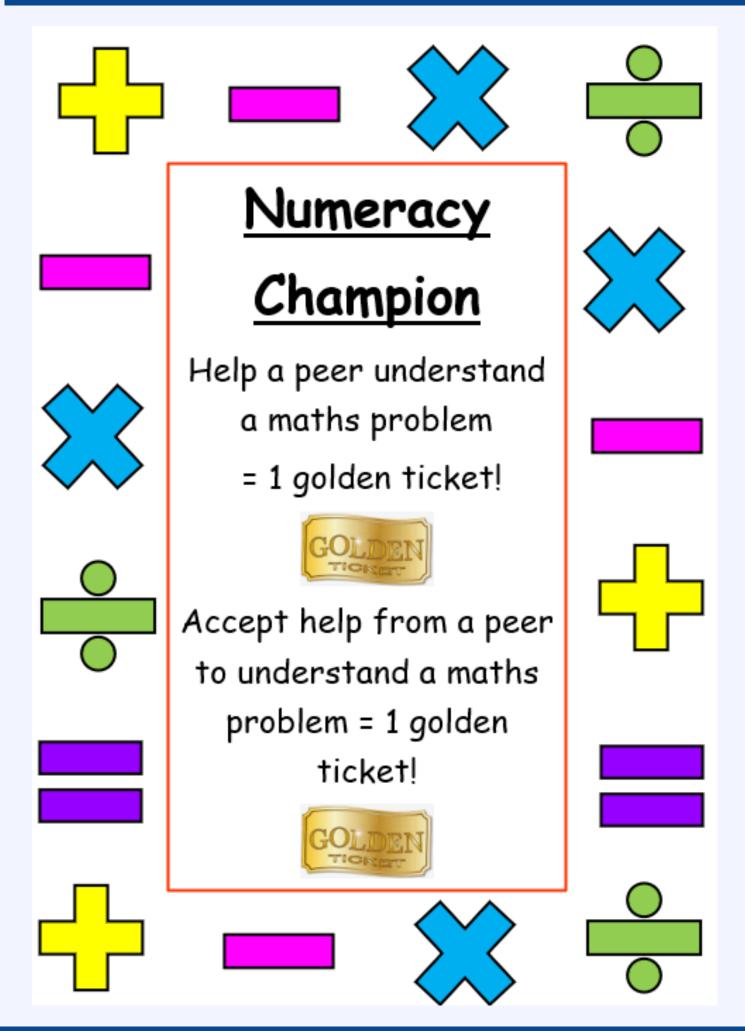
A huge thank you to all the parents, carers and staff members who contributed and supported this event. Your generosity and enthusiasm truly makes a difference.

Miss Buckberry





A Message From Ms Hamer



Well done Bloom

Myself and Mrs Thomas would like to congratulate Bloom on such a successful full first term. They have done so well, most of them make gold reward every week and are recognised positively in the behaviour report.





Miss Buckberry, Mrs Thomas and Bloom have collated all of the donations over the past few weeks and yesterday they wrapped shoe boxes and allocated items to each box. With a warm smile, and a kind heart, they delivered these in person to Medway Street Angels to spread a little Christmas cheer on behalf of Inspire Academy.

Miss Buckberry



Term 2 – Legends



We are excited to highlight the 100% Reward Club, which recognizes pupils who achieve 100% positive points on their day sheet over a term. This initiative encourages and rewards pupils for consistently demonstrating and modelling positive attitudes toward their learning Will you rise to the challenge in Term 3? Good Luck!

Mrs Gray and Mr Peck

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Skills for Life

VIY (Volunteer it Yourself) are a company who take on projects in the community and use a workforce of volunteers, aged between 14 and 24, to complete the job.

In return for their hard work, they gain a qualification in the area they have been working in.

Last week three year 11 pupils were lucky to be chosen to take part in a project with VIY. Their mission was to help redecorate the dressing rooms at The Anchorian Rugby Football Club in Gillingham.

For two days the pupils painted 'white walls white', sanded down doors, masked off areas that didn't need painting and learnt the basics of health and safety.

On their final day, they added the finishing touches to the changing rooms and had the pleasure of meeting Ellie Kildunne; England Rugby Union International. They shared their learning with her, showing her how to put coat pegs up.

At the end of the time there, all pupils passed their assessment and have achieved an accredited qualification in preparation and painting.

Mrs Brand & Mr Betts



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Our Literacy Warriors Celebrating our pupil's literacy skills at Inspire Academy



Enrichment Afternoons



This term, Bayley pupils have been working closely with Mrs Thomas and Miss Turner to develop their artistic skills during the Crafts enrichment sessions.

From creating personalized Harry Potter wands to crafting impressive papier-mâché models, the creativity and dedication displayed have been remarkable.

Well done to Bayley and keep up the fantastic work!

Miss Turner

Outdoor Learning Update



Our outdoor learning programme continues to flourish, with Bayley and Holmes pupils taking part in engaging activities within the local community.

These experiences help foster a sense of belonging and connection to their surroundings.

Under the guidance of Miss Terry and Miss Reece, students are developing vital skills such as communication, self-awareness, and, in some cases, practical abilities like using gardening tools and equipment.

A huge well done to everyone involved—keep up the fantastic work!

Miss Terry

Nerf Wars Success!

As part of our Friday reward afternoons, pupils can choose activities based on the points they earn throughout the school week. This term we introduced an exciting new option—Nerf Wars which was a massive hit with everyone involved, including staff!

The activity provided an excellent opportunity for pupils to work together, develop their communication skills and have great fun in the process. All pupils were exceptional, demonstrating teamwork and enthusiasm.

We're already looking forward to our next Nerf battle—bring on the challenge! Keep earning those points and join in the fun!





Christmas Time @ Inspire Academy









Goodbye Daniel A (Chaucer)

This term, we said a heartfelt goodbye to Daniel A from Chaucer as he transitions to a mainstream school setting. Over the years, Daniel has been an incredible pupil who consistently worked hard to achieve his goals.

We are immensely proud of his accomplishments and wish him every success as he embarks on this exciting new chapter. Good luck, Daniel-you'll always be a part of the Inspire family!



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