



17th May 2024

Dear Parents/ Carers,

The only place to start this week is to say well done to all our fantastic Year 6 and Year 11 students who have applied themselves so well to tests and examinations this week. Also, a huge thank you to the staff who have prepared them for these tests and exams. The Year 11 GCSE exams continue for another 3 weeks.

Ready, Respectful, Safe (All Parents/ Carers)

Our **behaviour curriculum** continued this week as primary focused on '**Table Manners**' using the story 'Table Manners for Tigers' by Zanna Davidson. This story really shared the 'dos' and 'don'ts' of good table manners. Talk to your child and ask them to share what they know. Good table manners show respectful behaviour, especially when we think about formal functions and the world of work! Next week, primary will move onto '**Thinking before we speak**'. In Secondary this week we focused on using a '**Respectful Tone and Appropriate Volume**'. A culture built on respect starts with how we communicate with each other. Using a moderate tone and volume helps us to strengthen relationships by building trust and resolving conflict in a respectful and non-confrontational manner. We will continue to think about communication next week as we focus on '**Taking turns to talk/ One Voice**'.

Wow Moments in School this Week (All Parents/ Carers)

The Wow Moments for this week are below. Well done to everyone involved.

- Year 6 have had an amazing week, working really hard for SATs - well done.
- We have a national gymnastics champion in school! Isla I in Year 6 won 4 gold medals and one silver medal at the recent national competition.
- Huge congratulations to Logan E in Y6 who also competed in national competition for swimming recently. His results placed him 1st in Blackpool, 3rd in Lancashire and 9th in Britain. We clearly have a couple of future Olympians on our hands in Year 6.
- Darci-Mai G in Year 5 has created her own mini lunch club where she shows the children how to finger crochet.
- Mae A in Year 5 volunteered at the weekend to support the Trinity Hospice 10k run. She was awarded a medal from the hospice for her help.
- Desarae H in Year 10 has been incredibly helpful and shown the value of respect really well by supporting the welfare staff in the canteen at lunchtime each day.
- Bradley W in Year 11 has shown excellent understanding of An Inspector Calls by making complex links to other influences.
- Ruby and Billie in Year 10 have been very proactive in their approach to the Ready, Respectful, Safe Curriculum and being good role models for their peers.

Meal Vouchers (All Parents/ Carers)

The academy has received funding from the local authority to issue meal vouchers for those eligible for free school meals for the upcoming half term. These will be issued next week.



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Primary Newsletter (Primary Parents/ Carers)

Click [here](#) to access the Primary Newsletter.

Reporting Bullying/ Pastoral Concerns (All Parents/ Carers)

If you or your child needs to raise any bullying or pastoral concerns with the academy please [click here](#).

Online Safety Support for Parents/ Carers (All Parents/ Carers)

Click [here](#) to access the link to this week's online safety guide for parents. You can also sign up for The National College for free and view a wide range of resources and videos to support your family with online safety. To do this follow the link below:

Sign up tutorial video - <https://help.nationalcollege.com/parent-walkthrough>

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End of Term (All Parents/Carers)

Just a reminder that the academy closed at the end of the day on the 24th May for one week for half term, we reopen on 3rd June 2024 at normal time.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. S. Cooke, Headteacher