



NEWSLETTER

Friday 15th November

Headteacher Message

At FGA we are fortunate enough to have a highly skilled support staff team that recognise the importance of continued professional development and are committed to being lifelong learners themselves. All our Teaching Assistants work relentlessly to support our children and regularly attend training to update their own skills and understanding. To recognise the hard work of our team and to continue this learning journey, we have decided to work on achieving the Best Practice with Teaching Assistants Award. We feel that this national award will not only provide development opportunities for our staff, but will recognise the hard work and dedication of our accomplished TA team.

The Best Practice with Teaching Assistants Award (BPTAA) provides a framework for the strategic management of teaching assistants. It allows schools to develop and facilitate professional development opportunities for teaching assistants whilst recognising and nurturing their expertise and talents. We feel that the strength of our team will enable us to achieve this prestigious award by the end of the year.

Mrs Higginson



Anita Edwards
Executive Headteacher



Katy Higginson
Head of School

Attendance

Week Ending 15.11.2019

R	98.6
Y1	93.1
Y2	96.2
Y3	95.5
Y4CH	98.2
Y4HC	97.6
Y5	94.8
Y6	94.3
Whole School (weekly)	95.9
Whole School (Sept to date)	96.4
Target 97%	

What's in the Best Practice with Teaching Assistants Award framework?



Professional development

Develop and facilitate CPD opportunities for teaching assistants, linked to a robust appraisal system and the priorities of the school.



Recognise expertise

Work with teaching assistants' particular skills, talents and expertise to develop the learning and progress of pupils.



Preparation

Promote collaborative approaches, including planning and feedback, that prepare teaching assistants to support pupil progress.



Impact

Ensure management systems effectively promote children's progress through the work of teaching assistants.



Classroom practice

Promote teaching and learning through effective classroom practice and interventions.



Induction

Create clear induction policies, job descriptions and line management for teaching assistants.

Christmas Light switch on

Please join us at our Christmas event at Partington Shopping Centre on Saturday 30th November for the Christmas Tree Light Switch-On. The event has been organised by Cllr Adele New and will run from 2pm until 6pm, with the light switch-on at 4.30pm. There will be a children's fair, inflatables, games stalls and visit from Santa on his sleigh. Children from the local schools will also be singing. This community event builds on the success of last year and is even bigger and better! Everyone's welcome. Come and join the fun!



Dates for your Diary

Monday 18th November – Road Safety Week
Friday 29th November – Annual Elf v Santa Day
 **Thursday 12th December** – Christmas Fair 
Friday 13th December – Christmas jumper day
Friday 20th December – Finish for Christmas 1.30pm

Year 5 Journalist's Find out about Children in Need!

Earlier today, the Year 5 pupils investigated how each class at FGA have celebrated Children in Need. In Nursery and Reception, they told our reporting team about Pudsey the Bear. In Year 1 & 2, they described that Children In Need is a way to raise money for disadvantaged children. Years 3 & 4 were keen to show off their fancy dress, many of the children sporting spotted tops. In Year 5 & 6, the children had created posters all about Children In Need.

Everyone at FGA has really enjoyed celebrating Children In Need day and the children looked fantastic in their spots!



Remembrance Day

Each class made poppies to commemorate Remembrance Day for a whole school display. The final product is amazing!



Year 4

Year 4 have been learning about perimeter, we went outside and measured the perimeter of the astro. We found out that the perimeter is 162m, with 2 sides being 40m and 2 sides being 41m.



School Values & Stars of the Week

Nursery = Jayden Kone & Oscar Jackson
 Rec = Jack McNulty & Skye Wilson
 Y1 = Annabelle Emelone & Logan-Jack Cooke
 Y2 = Amelia Renshaw & Aaliyah Edwards
 Y3 = Macey Gilmore & Lowell Edwards
 Y4CH = Rico Alexander & Summer-Rose Ginty
 Y4HC = Macey Higginbottom & Corey Hand
 Y5 = Romeo Longbottom & Paige Fairhurst
 Y6 = Chloe Morris & Ellie Millington



Terrific Time Keepers
The whole school
Well Done !!



No Smoking Zone

Thank you for not smoking at the school gates.



EARTINGTON & CARRINGTON VISION 31

Vision 31 is a network of networks across the area that includes residents, community groups, charities, churches and public services—we are all Vision 31

We focus on community engagement and aim to discover the challenges and opportunities for the area. We aim to give local people a voice and meet with local decision makers.

Please come along to our its in your hands event on:

18th November 2019, 6pm at Peoples Church, Chapel lane, M31 4EY

For more information contact Vicky Wardleworth: 0161 912 3880 or 07753777183

At the session we will be looking at :

Health and wellbeing
 Extra care provision
 Partington Moving
 Your Housing group

Refreshments will be provided

