



NEWSLETTER

Friday 11th December 2020

Headteacher Comment

As we move towards the end of term, please look out for the autumn term reports that will be coming out next week. The reports show a summary of progress 'at a glance' for your child. This will help you see how well your child has accessed the curriculum since their return in September. If you have any questions about the information in the reports, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher for clarification.

Earlier this week the DFE unexpectedly announced a change to the end of term dates. This means that **school will close to pupils after school on Thursday 17th December** (normal finishing times). Therefore, pupils should not attend school on Friday 18th December as previously planned.

Friday 18th December will be an INSET day for staff and a remote learning day for pupils. Teachers will remind children of their passwords to access their online learning. Children will return to school on Tuesday 5th January 2021.

I would like to thank all of our families for the support and kindness shown to staff over the last term. We are extremely lucky to have such a dedicated, hard-working staff team and it is always nice for that to be recognised. Without our team going the 'extra mile' on a daily basis, we wouldn't have been able to continue to provide such high quality education over the previous weeks. Thank you to everyone for working together to help us get through a challenging term.

From everyone at FGA, we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



Katy Higginson
Head of School

| <u>Attendance</u> | |
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| <u>Week Ending</u> | |
| <u>11.12.2020</u> | |
| R | 93.1 |
| Y1 | 93.3 |
| Y2 | 100 |
| Y3 | 96.3 |
| Y4 | 92.9 |
| Y5 | 93.5 |
| Y6 | 93.6 |
| Whole School (weekly) | 95 |
| Whole School (Sept to date) | 95.7 |
| Target 97% | |

Reception Applications 2021

Have you got a place? The deadline is approaching for applications to secure a place in our Reception class in 2021.

If your child was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 you can apply for their school place via the Trafford Admissions website.

www.Trafford.gov.uk

Or you can call the Trafford School Admissions Team for more information on [0161 912 5007](tel:01619125007).



Diary Dates

15th December '20
Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumpers
EYFS/KS1 ONLY

16th December '20
Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumpers
KS2 ONLY

17th December '20
Virtual Pantomime & Christmas Parties

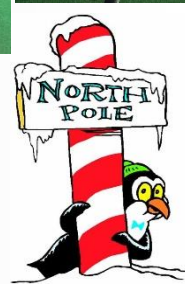
17th December '20
School Finishes for Christmas at normal time

18th December '20
Remote learning day
5th January '20
Return to School

Santa Dash & Mission to the North Pole

This month FGA have been taking part in the **School Games National Santa Dash** and trying to run all the way to Lapland! Today (Friday 11th) we joined **thousands of other young people across the Country** who all took part in the Santa dash. The children were excited to know children in their year group across the Country were running at the same time as them.

During the month of December, we were set a challenge to see if we could run the 2200 miles from Trafford to Lapland. Each day all classes have been going outside and running our mile to Lapland. Last weeks grand total was 724 miles, this week we managed a massive 902.5 miles. That gives us a total of 1626.5 miles and only 573.5 miles to go! Well done FGA, this is a massive achievement in only two weeks.



ExTraffordWINTERganza

On Thursday, Years 1-6 took part in the Trafford Music Service ExtraTrafFordWinterGanza along with other schools in Trafford.

We joined in with songs and listened to a mixture of classical, jazz and contemporary music, including some Christmas carols.

The children in all year groups were a credit to the school and worked extremely hard to learn the songs and contribute to the concert. Well done Forest Gate!



School Values & Stars of the Week

Nur = Willow-Ruth Yates & Isla Greenhalgh
 Rec = Madison Renshaw & Jessica Smith
 Y1= Roman Berry & Riley Smith
 Y2 = Darcey Barry-McIntyre & Kelsie-Mae Beswick
 Y3 = Amelia Renshaw & Emma Juscione
 Y4 = Lowell Edwards & Olley Hulme
 Y5= Summer-Rose Ginty & Maison Walsh
 Y6 = Sean McNulty & Olivia Farr



Terrific Time Keepers
Nursery
Well Done !!



Reception

Reception class have been busy exploring number bonds for numbers to 5. They have used 5 frames, numicon, 1p coins and part, part whole models to partition numbers in different ways. Super mathematicians!

