



NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th November 2023

Headteacher Comment

We continue to focus on attendance and punctuality as key areas. The vast majority of our children have excellent attendance and attend school on time every day. Many of our children have 100% attendance. We are looking to improve the attendance of some children, particularly those who fall below 90%. If your child has attendance of 90% or less then they are classed as a 'persistent absentee' by national standards. We find that holidays in term time impact on this significantly and also those children who regularly have odd days off. Children who have low level symptoms such as headaches, coughs and colds should still be in school. We will always contact families if a child becomes poorly during the school day. First response calls are made daily to parents who have not informed the office of their child's reason for absence. If contact cannot be made then home visits and welfare checks are made. Holidays in term time receive penalty notices and these are also issued to those with too many unauthorised absences.

Good attendance is key to a happy school life and it prevents emerging gaps in learning. We want each pupil to have the best opportunities and enjoy the full experience of school with their teachers and friends. Wishing you all a lovely weekend. See you Monday!

Many Thanks



Katy Higginson
Head of School



Anita Edwards
Executive
Headteacher

Attendance Many Thanks Week Ending 24.11.2023

R	92.6%
Y1	94.3%
Y2	93.6%
Y3	96%
Y4	94%
Y5	97.4%
Y6	90.8%

Whole School (weekly)	94.4%
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Whole School (Sept to date)	93.7%
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Target 97%

Reception

This week as part of their topic on the Antarctic we have been reading the book *Lost and Found*. The children then acted out the story.



Christmas Events

- Friday 8th December – Elf v Santa Day
- Friday 15th December – Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner Day
- Monday 18th December 2.30pm – EYFS Nativity
- Wednesday 20th December 2.30pm – KS1 Christmas Performance
- Thursday 21st December 3.30pm – Christmas Fair
- Friday 22nd December 9am – KS2 Carol Concert
- Friday 22nd December 1.30pm – Finish for Christmas



Dates for your Diary

**Thursday 7th
December – 12
Days of
Christmas
Begins**

**Friday 8th
December –
Santa V Elf Day**

**Thursday 14th
December - Year
1 Trip – Norton
Priory**

**Friday 15th
December –
Christmas
Dinner Day &
Christmas
Jumper Day**

**Thursday 21st
December –
Christmas Fair**

Year 5

This week Year 5 created their own fraction walls to support their finding equivalent fractions. They were able to equally share each strip using the denominator value.



Science Explorers Club

Children in the 'Science Explorers Club' have been chosen to judge a range of Science books as part of 'The Royal Society Children's Book Prize'. They have formed their own judging panel and are enjoying reading and discussing the books and improving their science knowledge. Together they will be deciding which is their favourite and will be submitting their final verdict at the end of term. They have also enjoyed completing science investigations linked to the texts.



Year 5 Science

This week Year 5 investigated the force of air resistance. They were able to work scientifically to discover whether the size of material used in a parachute affected the speed in which it fell to the ground. They wrote up their conclusions and recommendations in a letter to the sky diving company.



Parent Governor & Parent Council



Have you thought about joining our Parent Council or becoming a School Governor?

Please send your enquiries through to the school office at

office@forestgateacademy.co.uk

Many thanks



Stars of the Week

Nursery = Harry Collantine & Chloe Callaghan
Rec = Louella Farr & Sophie Williams
Y1 = Joseph Christie & Sienna Collins
Y2 = Bertie Hulme & Maddison French
Y3 = Brody Southwell & Madison Renshaw
Y4 = Alfred Graham & RJ Sandiford
Y5 = Kai Southwell & Jack Millington
Y6 = Blake Roberts & Emma Jusciute



September 2024 Reception Places

The application process is open to secure a place in our Reception class in 2024. 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)

All applications must be received by Trafford before the 15th January 2024.

