



The Head Teacher's Fortnightly Newsletter

– Friday 2^{3rd} February 2018



Easter side Academy
Giving the chance to shine

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Dear Parents / Carers,

As you know our school proudly holds many awards for some of the key areas we feel we do really well! Some of these can be seen at the bottom of this letter. This year we have two of our awards up for renewal – **Investors in People** (which we have held now for over 22 years), and our **Green Flag / Eco Schools Awards**. The first to be renewed is our Green Flag award and our Eco Warriors are working hard with Mrs Freeman and Mrs Wilkinson to prepare for this assessment which will take place on the 27th March.

In March we are also being assessed for the 'Learning Outside the Classroom' (LOtC) Gold Award which at present we don't hold. Over the last few years we have developed our outdoor curriculum and have been successful in achieving both the Bronze and Silver LOtC Awards. The award's criteria has really helped us to develop our outdoor curriculum and provision and this year we have further plans to develop an 'Outdoor Learning Lodge' and 'Bird Hide' as well as visiting **Durham Hens** to get some more chickens. We hope to take some of the children with us when we do this. We will keep you posted as to how we get on with our awards this year!

Best Wishes
Mrs D Linacre

Attendance

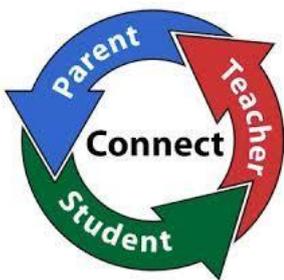
Week Beg: 05/02/18 and 19/02/18.

The information below tells you the attendance % for each class, for the last two weeks.

Class	%	%
2	96.5	96.5
3	98.2	95.5
4	97.3	99.1
5	95.5	91.9
6	99.1	99.1
7	97.4	98.2
8	89.7	96.8
9	99.0	94.4
10	99.0	99.0
11	96.2	97.8
12	98.9	96.2

Learning Conversations

Our Spring Term 'Learning Conversations' with pupils and parents is coming up over the next two weeks. Appointment letters will be given out.



It is extremely important that all parents / Carers attend this meeting with their child and class teacher.

Thank You!



Thank You for Supporting the Poppy Appeal

Last term we raised **£159.96** for the Poppy Appeal! This help the charity to continue its vital welfare and benevolent work. The district total was £39,000.

Colour Run

We have started to plan for this year's colour run after the success of last year where we raised over £3,000! This year we will be raising money for both **Clic Sargent** and the **School**.



SAVE THE DATE!

Friday 23rd March

The classes have been coded against the national average.

Red – Below
Yellow – Borderline
Green – Average or above

Punctuality

The information below tells you how many times a child has been late at each Key Stage in the last two weeks.

Rec/KS1	KS2
17	23
21	18

Please make sure your child comes to school on time!

Daily photos of the children learning both indoors and outdoors are put on our website and Twitter feed.

Staff and governors are committed to the safeguarding and wellbeing of all the children in their care.

