

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thursday 26th January 2017

Mayoral Visit

On Monday we had a visit from the Mayor of Wakefield who talked about his role. This visit was enjoyable and informative. Jack Spencer became Mini Mayor for the duration of the visit and escorted the Mayor around the classrooms. Below are some photographs taken on the day.



Year 3 Football Match

Tomorrow Year 3 will take part in a football match, Gawthorpe V Towngate. The match will be held here at Gawthorpe and will start at 1:30pm.

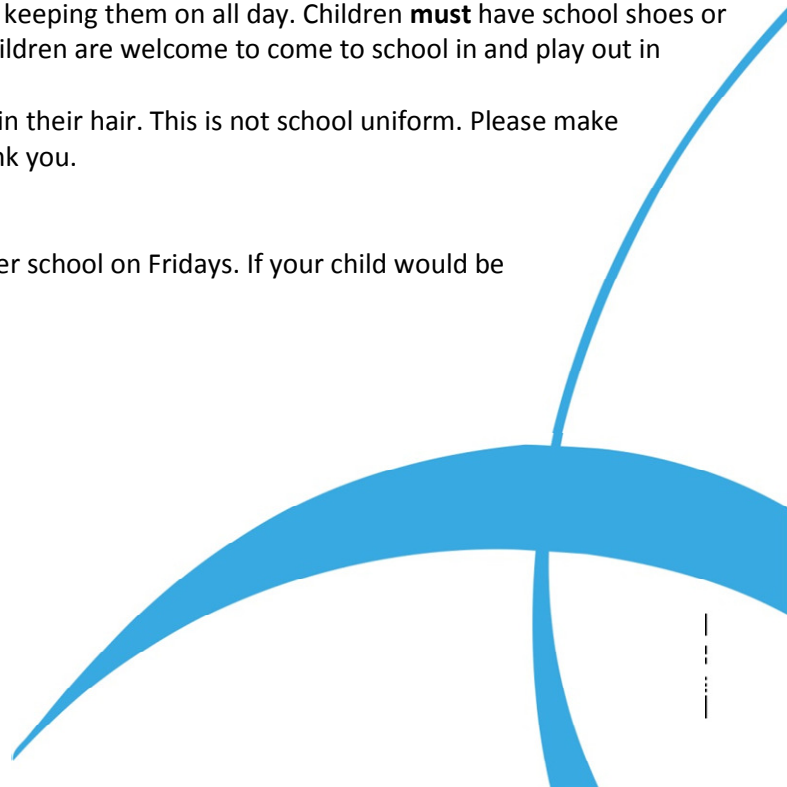
Uniform

A number of children are coming to school in boots and keeping them on all day. Children **must** have school shoes or black pumps to change into when they are in school. Children are welcome to come to school in and play out in boots but they cannot be kept on all day.

Some girls are coming to school with bows and ribbons in their hair. This is not school uniform. Please make sure your child wears a plain blue band or tie back. Thank you.

Gym Club

Please be aware we have some spaces for Gym Club after school on Fridays. If your child would be interested then contact the office for further details.



Choir Competition

We will be holding our annual choir competition the week before we break up for Easter. After Easter we will, once again join with Towngate for a concert in Ossett Town Hall.

Staff have chosen this year's theme which is '**Best of British beat – the 1960's**'.

We had such a success with last years themed dressing up that we are, once again, asking parents if you could provide a 1960's outfit for your child. We don't expect you to go to great expense, it can be as simple as a psychedelic t-shirt, a cap or even just cut up an old outfit and fringe it like a hippie.

The selected songs will be:

Reception - Sugar Sugar

Year 1 – Puppet on a String.

Year 2 – Our House

Year 3 – Beatles Medley, with a twist!

Year 4 – Build me up Buttercup.

Year 5 – House of the Rising Sun.

Year 6 – Glad all over.

Eco Team

The Eco Team are entering a competition run by Wakefield Council who are challenging all Primary Schools to design and create an extremely ugly monster made (almost) completely out of Rubbish. Please see the note below from the Eco Team.

'We would appreciate it if you could bring in any non-recyclable materials to help us build our recycling monster for a competition run by Wakefield Council.

Suitable materials would be polystyrene items, envelopes with plastic windows, plastic coat hangers, old shoes, old phone cases, old bags, bubble wrap, old plastic boxes, juice cartons, make-up containers, spectacles, sponges or old plastic toys.

If you have any of these at home please could you bring them to the Year 2 classroom on Monday 30th January. Thank you.'

Sainsbury's Vouchers

The Active Kid's vouchers from Sainsbury's are now running again so can you please bring any vouchers you have into school. This enables us to get sports, gardening and cooking equipment so we really appreciate your help. There is a box in reception for you to drop off the vouchers.

Assessment Week

Next week will be assessment week across the academy.

Celebration Assembly and Coffee Morning

As advised in the text sent earlier this week, there is no celebration assembly tomorrow due to Kidz Aware workshops taking place. We will, however, still hold our coffee morning down in the Maypole Centre but it will start from 9am onwards.

Regards,

The Leadership Team



Mrs S J Vickerman

Executive Principal



Mrs P M Gill

Executive Vice Principal



Mrs A M Mitchell

Head of School