

Friday 11 October 2019

Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you to all of the parents who attended the coffee morning and Reception open mornings this week. Many of you commented on how useful the phonics open morning was in supporting your understanding of teaching your child to read. Any Reception parents that would like some more support with phonics should speak to their child's class teacher, you can also visit the RWI website for further information:

<https://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/find-out-more/parents/>

We now have enough parents to run adult literacy workshops here at Concordia Academy. These sessions will be taking place every Friday morning at 9am from Friday 1 November onwards. A qualified English teacher from Barking and Dagenham College will be leading these sessions for parents. Please do let us know if you are interested in attending but haven't signed up yet.

We are holding School Council elections for this year! Each class will have two representatives chosen by a democratic vote so please encourage your child to apply if they are interested. Elections will be held next week to elect the councillors from each class.

The PTA are holding a coffee morning in the school hall next week, from 8.50am. Linda will be hosting the event and sharing some of the exciting events the PTA are planning for this year. Come along next week to find out more, and to also find out how you can get involved with the PTA.

Kind regards,

Mr Raheel Akhtar
Headteacher

ATTENDANCE

Class Name	Weekly Attendance
Bluebell	95.9%
Daisy	94%
Sunflower	97.4%
Poppy	97.9%
Carnation	99%

Congratulations to Carnation Class who are our attendance award winners this week! We award a rosette to the winners in assembly each week, and the winning class at the end of the term receives a prize.

Coming to school on time every day makes a significant difference to how well

children achieve at school. Good attendance at school is one of the key indicators of educational success for a child throughout their school life, so make it a priority to get your child to school every day. Please remember that we do not authorise holidays during term time.

**EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS**

KEY DATES 2019/20

Autumn Term 2019

Thursday 17 October

PTA Coffee Morning in hall from 8.50am
Parent Choir Information Session in school hall from 3.30pm

Friday 18 October

Chn break up for half-term

Monday 28 October

Staff Training Day—school closed

Tuesday 29 October

Chn return to school

Wednesday 30 October

Reception at Discover Centre

Thursday 31 October

Parent Gym Taster at 9am

Friday 1 November

ESOL sessions for parents from 9am (taking place every Friday thereafter)

Tuesday 5 November

Phonics/Maths workshop for Reception parents

Wednesday 6 November

Maths workshop for Y1-Y3 parents

Thursday 7 November

Parent Gym at 9am

Friday 8 November

Parent Coffee Morning from 9am

Wednesday 13 November

Y1/Y2 trip to VUE Cinema
PTA Movie Night

Thursday 14 November

Parent Gym at 9am

Friday 15 November

Children in Need Day

Tuesday 19 November

Y2 trip to Tower of London

Thursday 21 November

Parent Gym at 9am

Monday 25 November

Y3 trip to Houses of Parliament

Wednesday 27 November

School nurse drop-in at 8.30am
School nurse leading assembly for Y1-Y3—focus on teeth

Thursday 28 November

Parent Gym at 9am

Wednesday 11 December

KS1 SATs workshop for Y2 parent

Thursday 12 December

Parents' Evening

Friday 13 December

Reception workshop for parents

Xmas Jumper Day

Road Safety Show for Y1-Y3

Wednesday 18 December

Xmas performances for parents

Thursday 19 December

Xmas lunch for chn

PTA School Disco

Friday 20 December

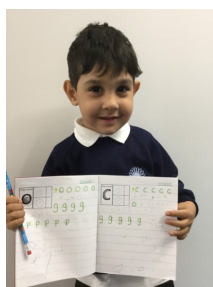
Chn break up for Xmas holidays

**Dates may be added and amended as necessary*



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HEADTEACHER AWARDS



Ayaan received a Headteacher Award for his excellent handwriting in phonics this week. He has been working really hard on his pencil control and letter formation. Great job, Ayaan!

Lelani also received a Headteacher Award this week for her super work in phonics. She has been working hard to be more independent when writing and trying hard to sound out using Fred Fingers. Keep it up, Lelani!



STAR OF THE WEEK

Star of the Week in Bluebell Class is Abbie! Abbie has been working hard on writing her name independently. Every morning, she comes into class with a smile and practises her letter formation. As well as this, Abbie has managed to complete all of our classroom activities. Fabulous work, Abbie!

Star of the Week in Daisy Class is Caitlin! Caitlin has been working very hard to write her name independently every morning. She has also been practising her sounds during RWI and remembers lots of the phrases for the letter formations. Well done, Caitlin!

Star of the week in Sunflower Class is Inaaya! Inaaya has been demonstrating excellent number grid work and challenging herself to write in steps of one and two all the way to 100. Her number formation has also been very neat and tidy. Well done, Inaaya!



Star of the Week in Poppy Class is Alicia! Alicia can always be relied upon to make good choices and set an excellent example for her friends. Keep it up, Alicia!

Star of the Week in Carnation Class is Hayaa! Hayaa has been working hard and participating well in her maths lessons. She has shown great focus and work ethic when completing her independent tasks. Well done, Hayaa!



Y2 SCIENCE

Year 2 have been watching their Pinto beans grow this week! They have grown them hydroponically.

Hydroponic is the science of growing plants without using soil, by feeding them on mineral nutrient salts dissolved in water.

It has been fascinating to watch the beans as they change and grow and we are looking forward to seeing just how big they get!



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