

Friday 1st October 2021

Dear Parents & Carers,

Black History Month

In October, the children at Concordia Academy will be learning about and celebrating Black History Month. This will involve the children learning about important figures from Black British History and the contribution they have made to English history and culture. The children will have an opportunity to celebrate some of their learning and work in a school event towards the end of October.

Parent Governor Election

A letter was sent out to all parents this week informing them that we are holding an election for a parent governor. Please complete the nomination form if you are interested, or if you would like to nominate another parent. I will send out the names of nominated governors for ballot the week after next. Please do get in touch if you would like to find out more about the role.

Have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards,

Mr Raheel Akhtar
Headteacher



DIANE ABBOTT, FIRST BLACK WOMAN MP



IDRIS ELBA, ACTOR



STEVE MCQUEEN, FILM DIRECTOR



ZADIE SMITH, WRITER AND AUTHOR



LENNY HENRY, COMEDIAN

KEY DATES 2021/22

Autumn Term First Half 2021

October

Black History Month

Wednesday 6 October

Phonics workshop for Reception/Y1/Y2 parents (Zoom)

Wednesday 13 October

Family Support workshop for Reception parents at 2pm (Zoom)

Friday 22 October

Last day of term

Monday 1 November

Staff Training Day—school closed

Tuesday 2 November

Children return to school

**Dates may be added and amended as necessary*

ATTENDANCE

Class Name	Weekly Attendance
Buttercup	89.1%
Bluebell	99.3%
Daisy	94%
Daffodil	99.3%
Lilac	92.4%
Sunflower	96.7%
Poppy	96.6%
Lily	98.5%
Carnation	97.8%
Orchid	94.3%
Magnolia	95.8%

Congratulations to Bluebell Class and Daffodil Class who are our joint attendance award winners this week with 99.3% attendance each! The class with the highest attendance percentage at the end of each term will receive a special 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**

ALL CHILDREN IN SCHOOL UNIFORM EVERY DAY



HEADTEACHER AWARDS

The Headteacher Award in Bluebell Class goes to Reya who always follows the school rules and encourages others to do the same. Reya is an exceptional member of Bluebell Class and an excellent role model.

The Headteacher Award in Buttercup Class goes to Elmir! Elmir has shown great focus this week and has challenged himself to complete all the activities set in the classroom. Well done, Elmir!

The Headteacher Award in Daisy Class goes to Finley! Finley has been doing exceptional literacy work this week. For our focus activity, he drew a picture of himself and used the initial sounds to label parts of the body. Well done, Finley!

The Headteacher Award in Lilac Class goes to George. During our singing assembly this week, George was joining in with enthusiasm and he was making a great effort to project his voice whilst joining in with the actions. Great job, George!

The Headteacher Award in Sunflower Class goes to Marc. Marc did a brilliant job with his Guided Reading tasks this week, working hard to ensure all activities were completed to a high standard. Great work, Marc!

The Headteacher Award in Daffodil Class goes to Atilla for engaging in and sharing his ideas in our Topic lesson. We learned about Tudor Houses this week and Atilla recalled to the rest of the class why Tudor builders used specific materials to build their houses - it was because those were the materials available to them!

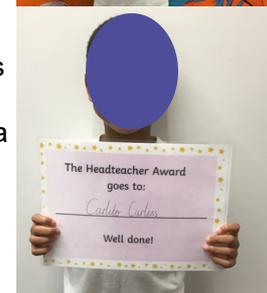
The Headteacher Award in Poppy Class goes to Naomi for always trying her best and participating in class discussions. Well done Naomi for helping your friends, keep up the great work!

The Headteacher Award in Lily Class this week goes to Musa! Musa has impressed us with his knowledge of Set 2 and Set 3 sounds in Phonics. He is beginning to decode and read unfamiliar words independently. Fantastic job, Musa!

The Headteacher Award in Carnation Class goes to Lorenzo. He has been making an excellent effort during Guided Reading lessons. He uses his sounds for unfamiliar words and helps others in his group. Keep it up!

The Headteacher Award in Orchid Class goes to Carlito for his excellent work within Literacy and Language. Carlito is making a noticeable effort with his handwriting and to ensure that he is proof-reading his work! Carlito has also challenged himself to use ambitious vocabulary! Excellent work Carlito, keep it up!

The Headteacher Award for Magnolia Class is presented to Mahdi! He has settled into Year 5 so well and he takes every single lesson into his stride. Mahdi is always so polite and caring to everyone across the school; he is a great role model!



STAR OF THE WEEK

Star of The Week in Buttercup Class goes to Summer! Summer has shown real determination and perseverance this week in Phonics. In addition, Summer is a great role model and is always making the right choices. Great work, Summer!

Star of The Week in Daisy Class is Shayan! Shayan has shown fantastic effort in completing all of the daily tasks in our provision. Well done for setting a great example for your peers Shayan, keep up the super work!

Star of The Week in Bluebell Class goes to Aurora-Rose for always trying her best to complete all the activities in class and showing a super enthusiasm towards learning.

Star of The Week in Lilac Class goes to Grace. In our Music lesson this week we were learning about rhythm and pulse. Grace was trying super hard using her claves to keep in time to the music and play a continuous pulse. Very impressive work Grace! Keep up the good work!

Star of The Week in Sunflower Class is Emelia. This week in Science, the children took part in an experiment about their senses and learned how to make predictions and conclusions about what they had discovered. Emelia made an excellent prediction and was able to explain her reasoning to the class.

Star of The Week in Daffodil Class is Adrian. Adrian can always be relied upon to make good choices. This week during Maths, Adrian has been trying his best to challenge himself by completing activities independently and has been helping others in completing their work too. Well done Adrian, keep it up!

Star of The Week in Poppy Class goes to Rudra for settling in so well! She shows great Concordia spirit and has shown enthusiasm across all subjects.

Star of The Week in Lily Class is Eshaal! Eshaal has made a real effort to make good choices this week - her behaviour has been exemplary. On top of this, Eshaal always walks into Lily Class with a bright smile on her face each morning. Lovely!

Star of The Week in Carnation Class goes to Maximo for fantastic effort whilst writing two contrasting setting descriptions! He used appropriate vocabulary to set the mood and create vivid imagery. Well done!

Star of The Week in Orchid Class goes to Alicia for her excellent use of ambitious vocabulary within her writing. Alicia has been trying extra hard to use vocabulary that will engage her readers and ensure that her writing is presented to an extremely high standard! Amazing work, Alicia!

Star of The Week for Magnolia Class is Charlotte! Ms Keeley and I are extremely impressed with Charlotte's work ethic since the start of the year. Charlotte contributes to every single lesson and she always has a wonderful, positive attitude!



CURRICULUM CORNER—Y3

Year 3 have been learning all about how the body works in Science and what we can do to stay healthy. We have considered what food groups foods belong to, how much of each food group we should eat and what we could eat as part of a balanced, healthy meal.



We have looked at what keeps the body upright and key bones in the human skeleton and we drew and labelled our own skeletons. Next, we will be learning about how muscles can help our bodies move.



Healthy Eating

...healthy eating can't be achieved without eating garden fresh fruits and vegetables.



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