



University Primary Academy Kidsgrove

Head of School's Weekly Newsletter Tuesday 19th December 2017



"Together Everyone Achieves More"

Dear parents and carers,

What a busy term! Thank you to everyone who has attended our events in the last few weeks. The EYFS and KS1 children performed a lovely nativity called "Born in a Barn", followed by a stunning performance from KS2 with their Carol Concert. We have had celebrations for Family Learning AND lots of awards and celebrations! I would just like to thank Tesco for providing us with our wonderful Christmas tree and plenty of mince pies to sustain the family members who braved the snowy and icy conditions to attend our performances and events!

A few staffing changes to update you on for the New Year: Mrs. Capewell has secured a post at another UCAT academy for January and will be leaving us today. Mrs. J Williams, who has most recently been working delivering 1-1 support two days a week, is reluctantly taking her well-earned retirement! We will miss her greatly and wish her well as she takes some time for herself to relax and enjoy making many more memories with her family. Thank you to both of these staff members for their hard work and commitment over many years!

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year, see you in 2018!

Miss Pope, Head of School

Nursery and Reception Trip to the Pantomime!

Our EYFS children had a fabulous time yesterday watching a magical performance of Aladdin at The Regent Theatre. The children were very excited as they took their seats and were well and truly mesmerized by the colours, costumes and music! They were also fabulously well-behaved and were a credit to the Academy!



Termly Award Winners

Gold Awards

Zaac, Ty, Natasha, Oisin, Mia, Olivia, Ashley, Lilly, Lily-Kate

Mathematics Awards

Alfie, Harry, Cassidy, Mya, Brooke, Reece, Kayleigh, Olivia, Dylan

English Awards

Ella, Ruby, Elsie, Isabella, Mystaya, Ryley, Ethan, Cameron, Savannah

Head of School Pride Awards

A special afternoon tea will take place at the end of term to celebrate the achievements of a number of pupils who I am incredibly proud of! This term the children selected to take part are: Lilieta, Isla, Amy, Brandon, Isabelle, Travis, Jack and Ashleigh. Well done to you all!

Key dates for your diary:

- ✓ **Friday 9.05am** Family Celebration Assembly- Everyone Welcome! Each fortnight we are joined by "Open the Book" - it is our favourite assembly of the week!
- ✓ **Friday 9.30am** Head of School's Coffee Morning and tour of the academy. EVERYONE WELCOME- not just the families of the certificate winners!!



Attendance

Congratulations to Year 2 for achieving the award for the highest attendance this week with 91.1%. Well done!