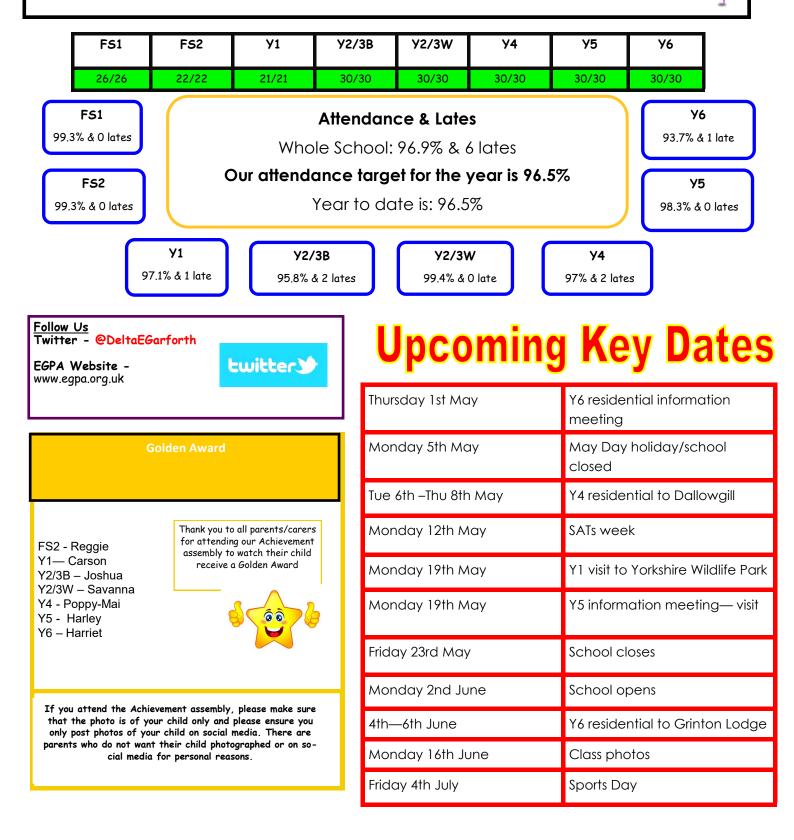


## Week 1 Newsletter 25/4/2025

#### Behaviour – Well Done!

At the Academy we use the reward and consequence system to warn children if their behaviour is not of the acceptable standard. Children should follow the school rules; Be Safe, Be Responsible and Be Respectful. The totals below show how many children have achieved this each week.



# Read all about us....

**FS1** We have had busy but brilliant first week back in nursery and have all settled back in wonderfully! We have enjoyed welcoming our new starters and making new friends! We have been reading "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and have discussed what we already know about caterpillar's and what we would like to find out. We have created actions to help us re-tell the story and have made a class story map. Also, we had lots of fun making fruit kebabs! They were delicious! In maths we have consolidated prior learning, focusing on height, length, mass and capacity. Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Y2/3W It has been a super start to the summer term in 2/3W. This week, in writing we have been learning and performing a poem, taking on the role of the sun or the wind. In reading, we read an information text about sperm whales and learnt how organisations such as Greenpeace are working hard to protect this species. In Maths, we have been learning about time. Year 2 have been very busy learning O' clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to. Year 3 have been learning about the months of the year and converting minutes to seconds and seconds to minutes. In history, we learnt about mining. We were all surprised to learn that children as young as four were sent down the coal mines to work. We found out about the different jobs for children in the mines such as a 'trapper' and the terrible conditions they endured. In PE, we worked as part of a team to use effective communication skills to give directions. I hope you all have a super weekend.

Y2/3B I can't believe we are in the summer term already! As always with a new term comes lots of new learning. The children have completed their cold writes this week, showing what they already know about how speech can be used in story writing. In maths, year three have been learning about how many days are in each month as well as how to work out durations while year two have been learning to tell the time using o'clock, half past and quarter past. In history, things got a little bit grizzly as we have been learning all about the different jobs that children would have been expected to do in the Victorian mines. We explored the roles of beaters and trappers before looking at what items they would take down into the mines with them. Safe to say, we are very glad times have changed since then! I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

**Y5** What a busy first week back Year 5 have had. Interspersed with our usual subjects, this week the children have been out on their bikes, learning to ride them safely and some have even gone out on to the roads to gain experience of riding safely in the community. The children all had a positive attitude towards this great experience and, regardless of the level they were at, all made progress. In the classroom, we have started our whole class reading text: Who Let the Gods Out? We used prediction skills, looking at only the front cover and blurb to help us understand what the story may be about. In history, we have begun our unit of work on politics and begun by looking at democracy. A great first week back!

**FS2** We have had such a fun first week back in reception! We have loved exploring our new provision areas in class, whether it be dressing up and role playing in the home corner, or re-creating small world construction, representing our local area. In maths, we have started the topic 'To 20, and beyond!' which included using lot's of resources to show different ways of representing numbers to 20. In literacy, we have started our new book: The Teeny Weeny Tadpole and have introduced verbs to describe the actions of each character. We've looked at the work of L.S Lowry and used this to inspire us when drawing pictures of people and places. Well done to all the children in FS2 who have come back to school with such a positive attitude! Have a lovely weekend!

**Y1** We have had a fantastic first week in year 1! We have continued our fractions unit and have started looking at quarters. In writing we have looked at the poem 'Cloud Dragon'. Children performed this poem with energy and created their own dragon. In science we looked at how our playground has changed over the holidays and we also planted some cress. Over the half term we are going to observe these changes and record them. In art we looked at sculptures and our artist this half term is Richard Shilling. Children are excited to create sculptures in the coming weeks! On Thursday we had a special visitor from Leeds United, he is going to be working with the children every week. The children learned how to stay healthy and what healthy foods they can eat. Keep up the fantastic work Year 1! Have a fab weekend!

**Y4** What a fantastic first week back in Year 4! We've dived straight into our new class text, *Krindlekrax* by Philip Ridley, which has sparked our creativity. The children have enjoyed creating their own unique monsters and writing imaginative poems about the Loch Ness Monster. In maths, we've been busy exploring the perimeter of polygons and rectilinear shapes, putting our skills to the test. Our history lessons have taken us on a journey through ancient civilisations, and we even had a special mental health lesson from Leeds United. What a busy four days it has been! Here's to a brilliant term ahead!

**Y6** This week has been another excellent week in year 6. In the mornings, we are revisiting previous learning to ensure that the children are as prepared as possible for SATs week. In the afternoons, we have started discussing positive relationships and their impact on our mental health. As well as this, we have been learning about the physical features of South America, learning how to talk about our Birthdays in French and started this half term's sports of OAA and rounders. Have a wonderful weekend! After School Clubs Start Date End Date Netball Y5/6 3.15pm—4.15pm Monday 28.4.25 Monday 19.5.25 Dance FS1/2 3.15pm—4.00pm Tuesday 22.4.25 Tuesday 20.5.25 Athletics Y3/4 3.15pm-4.15pm Tuesday 22.4.25 (Alex) Tuesday 20.5.25 Thursday 24.4.25 Thursday 22.5.25 Athletics Y1/2 3.15pm -4.15pm Spanish Y1-6 3.20pm-4.20pm Thursday 24.4.25 (Noelia) Thursday 22.5.25

☆ ☆

☆ ☆

☆

☆ ☆

 $\checkmark$ ☆

 $\diamond \diamond \diamond \diamond \diamond \diamond \diamond$ 

☆

☆ ☆ ☆

## Please note that the Y3/4 athletics club will be held on Monday 28th April and not Tuesday 29th April next week.

 $\stackrel{\wedge}{\phantom{}} \stackrel{\wedge}{\phantom{}} \stackrel{\wedge}{\phantom{}} \stackrel{\wedge}{\phantom{}}$ 

☆

☆

☆

☆ ☆

☆ ☆

 $\checkmark$ 

☆

### Summer Fair

In preparation for the Summer fair we would welcome any donations of teddies/soft toys that are looking for a new home.

Also if you have any unwanted Christmas/Birthday gifts that could be reused on our tombola stall we would be very grateful. All donations can be dropped in at the Office.

Further information regarding the Summer Fair will be sent out in due course.



\*