



A message from the principal, Jason Marantz

Taking part in your child's education –

Dear Parent and Carers

This week had the first of our new style open mornings including the opportunity to stay and learn with your child. It was wonderful to see so many parents learning alongside their children in school.

Reception and Year 1 parents enjoyed doing this on Thursday, whereas Nursery children enjoyed doing this on Friday.

So far, this has been a really exciting opportunity for parents to see exactly what we are teaching in school and how our children learn.

I remind you that next week we will be holding our regular open mornings and inviting our **parents to stay for the first 15 minutes of the lesson to learn alongside their children.**

These special open meetings for next week will take place as follows:

Monday 12 March Year 2
Wednesday 14 March Year 3 and 4 classes
Thursday 15 March Year 5 and 6 classes

Thank you for your support. We look forward to seeing you.

Jason Marantz
Principal



Attendance News

5th March to the 9th March

Winners of this week's attendance awards are:

1st place:	York Y6	98.03%
2nd place:	Bristol Y1	95.83%
3rd place:	Leeds Y5	94.71%

Well done to all of the winning class.

Our whole school attendance for this week was: **93.59%**.

Our attendance for the year to date is **94.2%**.

Thank you to our parents and carers for ensuring children are not ill when they come to school. This has helped then school rid itself of a sickness bug and therefore, attendance is now improving.

However, **I also need to remind you that it is your responsibility to bring your children into school on time, everyday in order to ensure that he/she makes the best possible progress.**

Come on Ark Swift, we can do better!



School Uniform



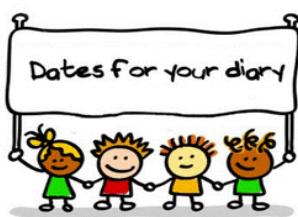
This term there are a few areas of the **uniform** we want to focus on to get right:

- 1) Black school shoes must be worn at all times. This **does not** include boots or trainers.
- 2) Children must wear **ties** with their uniform.
- 3) Children should come to school with **jumpers/cardigans**.

For PE, children must ensure that they wear the following:

- 1) The Academy's yellow PE shirt
- 2) Black school shorts **or plain black joggers**.
- 3) Children should not wear track suits.

Please ensure that your children wear the correct uniform.



Dates for the Diary

See the front page for information on classroom visits/open mornings
 Fr1 16 March No School, Staff Training Day
 Mon 19 – Friday 23 March Assessment week
 Fri 23 March Sports Relief
 Fr 29 March Last day of term, 130 finish

Tennis anyone?

This week many of our children experienced tennis for the first time. They were able to practice and develop their skills both with outdoor and indoor tennis.

