



# **KS2** Newsletter

4<sup>th</sup> December 2020

## **Termly Reports**

You should have received a termly report for your child this week. Whilst we recognize that this doesn't match the value of a face to face conversation between parents and teacher, we hope that it provides you with some guidance on how well your child has started the school year. If you wish to speak with your child's class teacher, please contact the school office to arrange a callback from the teacher. Please do not use the year-group email with any report based queries. We are currently planning how we can deliver a safe and secure parents evening for next term, even if the current restrictions continue.

## Applying for a school place for September 2021

If you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017, they will be due to start in Reception in September 2021. Applications for a school place are close on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021**. You apply to Suffolk County Council and can find out more information at their website <a href="https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-places/apply-for-a-primary-school-place-20212022/">https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-places/apply-for-a-primary-school-place-20212022/</a>

## Christmas

We are trying to make sure that the children get as much of a typical "primary school Christmas" as possible, and huge thanks need to go to all of the staff who helped turn the hall into our very own Winter Wonderland. As you can see from the pictures, it looks amazing. Thanks also go to the parents who donated all of the trees and decorations.



We all know that the children love to send and receive Christmas cards and so we are allowing Christmas cards to be brought in to school under certain arrangements.



- Christmas cards can be sent to children in their year-group bubble only.
- Christmas cards should be brought in on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December. They will then go into quarantine and will be handed out on the following Monday or Tuesday.
- If your child is intending to bring in a small gift for their teacher, we also request that they are only brought in on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December, so they can be quarantined in the same way.

Children can also wear Christmas jumpers/hair decorations etc. on our Christmas dinner day on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

## **Home Learning**

Please remember that in the case of any closure, we will continue to use the Home Learning site at <u>bit.ly/ghaclosure</u>

### Year 5 tie dying



Y5 have been busy tie-dyeing fabric in preparation for making waistcoats, as part of their Vile Victorians topic. Children have measured and drawn their templates and the next step is to cut out the patterns and sew the waistcoats together!

## **COVID** safety

Thank you for helping us to continue to keep Great Heath Academy safe and secure. If you need to visit the academy office, please only do so if absolutely necessary. Please remember that there should only be one person within the entrance foyer at any one time, to wear a mask when in the entrance foyer and to keep back from the hatch when speaking to the office staff. Thank you for your continued support.

#### PE kits

Please remember that PE kits should be a bottle green PE t-shirt and black shorts/joggers/tracksuit. Children can also wear a black or green sweatshirt/hoodie. Other colours of PE kit should not be worn.

#### **Achievement Awards**

	Maths Stars	Writing Stars	Maths Stars
	13/11/2020	20/11/2020	27/11/2020
Y3: Lightning	Dylan Mahler	Max Etue	Oscar Fenn
Y3: Hercules	Rosie Ward	Sonnie Fletcher	Alfie Bland
Y3: Vulcan	Mason Knight	Keita Springe	Nicoli Moatt
Y4: Galaxy	Jessica Golding	Aaron Leonard	Ashley Tegg
Y4: Nimrod	Jaxon Hoskins	Max Cockerill	Jack Dempsey
Y4: Eagle	Dylan Evans	Ashton Sharwood	Alayna Sellings
Y5: Osprey	Mason Reynolds	Hayley Matzk	Ellie Henderson
Y5: Meteor	Eliza Gutteridge	Lucy Hennig	Kate Cobb
Y5: Tornado	Olivia Watts Gracie-Mai Lloyd	Alfie Wilson-Webb	Aaliyah Ayres Ndadiwa Benyu
Y6: Typhoon	Natan Szymanowski	Danielle Whalley	Izma Ameen
Y6: Spitfire	Kelly Fairhurst	Aydin Cifci	Morgan Kachokammanja
Y6: Hurricane	Thomas Hawkins Eddie Miller	Charlie Wood	Arhan Caglar Yvie Howard

#### Attendance

Well done to **Vulcan**, **Lightning**, **Galaxy**, **Eagle** and **Osprey** classes who all had above **98%** attendance over November. In fact, Osprey had 100% so well done Osprey!

#### **Diary dates**

We close for the Christmas break on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** and reopen to pupils on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January** 2021. You can find all term dates on our website at <u>www.greatheathacademy.attrust.org.uk</u>.

Yours faithfully Andrew Smith Assistant Principal