

News Update

TERM 4 - 17th March, 2017

Dates for the Diary

Friday 31st March	INSET Day - Academy Closed to pupils
3rd April to 17th April	Easter holidays
Tuesday 18th April	Pupils return for Term 5
Wednesday 19th April to Friday 21st April	Year 5 Residential Trip

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance winners are Cygnets with 97.2% attendance. Well done to this class.

FOOTBALL

TICKET WINNERS

This week's winners of our Hastings United Football Tickets, for modelling exemplary behaviour were Coby and Holly. Well done!



GOLD AWARDS

Well done to our Gold Award winners from today!

Reception - Amy, Ben

Year 1 - George, Leon, Neyaz

Year 2 - Lexi, Maisey

Year 3 - Isis, Hussein

Year 4 - Alex, Amelia

Year 5 - Reece, Tabitha, Illamaran

Year 6 - Finlay, Sydney

INSET DAY

Please be reminded that we have an INSET day on Friday 31st March and therefore the academy will be closed to pupils.

During this day, we will be further developing teachers' understanding of our handwriting policy as well as developing our teaching of English grammar and writing.

DINNER MONEY

Please be reminded that if your child does not bring dinner money to school and is not entitled to Free School Meals, we are unable to give them a dinner.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please be reminded that pupils are expected to wear school shoes or **plain black** trainers (with no markings at all).

CHANGES AFTER OFSTED

We listened to what you said at the Ofsted parents' meeting and from next week all pupils will be sent home with their spelling and times table test results. In addition, pupils will shortly be receiving a homework book to practise their spellings in.

FAB EASTER BONNET COMPETITION

Hopefully you will have received a flyer in your child's book bag informing you about the Friends at Baird's Easter Bonnet Competition. The pupils need to make an Easter Bonnet to wear to assembly on **Thursday 30th March**. They should be as creative and colourful as possible!

During the assembly, our two visiting vicars (who will therefore be impartial) will come to judge the results. There will be lots of prizes so we hope everyone will enter! We look forward to seeing your creations.



SAFETY IN ACTION

Year 6 had a great time this week visiting Hastings Fire Station. The pupils participated in 'Safety in Action' which focused was delivered by the local emergency services and other organisations who support young people. The pupils learnt all about how to keep themselves safe in various situations, ready for secondary school.

We hope they enjoyed their morning and learnt lots of valuable lessons.



BUILDINGS

We would like to thank you for your cooperation with us while the painting work has been completed. Hopefully you will agree that the new painting looks fabulous and has made a significant difference to the look of our building. Please be aware that the painting work is likely to continue into the start of next week and therefore there may again be short-term changes to arrival and dismissal.

During the Easter holiday, further work will be completed. We will be having a new secure line fence placed around Key Stage 1 to improve our safeguarding arrangements. For this reason access arrangements will be different upon your return after Easter—further information to follow. In addition, there will be further internal decoration and carpeting of key classrooms.