



# Discovery Primary Academy

Aspire Discover Achieve



Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

## What A Wonderful Week

We have had such a wonderful week with some of the Year 4 children singing at the Cathedral, a rugby tournament at Arthur Mellows Village College and a fantastic World Book Day. The children and staff looked wonderful in their costumes. Thank you so much to the Foundation Stage children who helped Ms Siequien, who was dressed as Cruella De Vil, find her cloak by making a new one from 101 spots.

## Attendance Matters!



This week the overall academy attendance was **94.5%** A huge well done to **Henry VIII** who achieved the highest at **99.2%**.

Please see the link below, with a list of our current Afterschool Clubs

[Discovery Primary Academy - Afterschool Clubs](#)

## Foundation Stage Area

We are in the process of improving the Foundation Stage outside area by laying AstroTurf. Could we remind all parents that this is an area for Foundation Stage children only. Please do not walk on this area or allow your children to play on the pieces of equipment. Thank you.

## Cathedral Trip

On Tuesday afternoon a selected group of Year 4 students travelled to the Cathedral to perform in a World Premiere!

Alongside children from six other Primary schools, our pupils sang a set of songs called "To be a Saint" The Discovery singers have been rehearsing with Mrs Barnes and members of the Cathedral music staff to perfect their performance over the last few weeks. Mrs Armstrong and Mrs Barnes were extremely proud of how brilliantly the children represented Discovery not only with their singing but their impeccable behaviour. It was a wonderful experience for the children. Thank you to families and friends who came to watch and support them.

*"Congratulations to the children from Discovery Primary Academy who came to sing in the world premiere performance of To be a Saint! this week. They did themselves and your school proud by giving a wonderful performance on the day. It has been a joy getting to know them and working with them over the last few months - they have shown real enthusiasm and commitment in each of our rehearsals".*

The Head of Choral Partnerships and Developments at Peterborough Cathedral.

*"The children from Discovery were absolutely wonderful and we can't thank you and your staff enough for working with us to help produce a fantastic afternoon of singing for them."*

Music Department Administrator at The Peterborough Cathedral.



Academy Disco



Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024 – More information will follow.



## The National Crime Agency

The National Crime Agency (NCA) is calling on parents and teachers to help young people understand the implications of their behaviour online, raising concerns about the rise in cyber crime.

A recent survey reveals that 20% of children aged 10-16 violate the Computer Misuse Act, rising to 25% among gamers.

The consequences of committing Computer Misuse Act offences are serious. In addition to being arrested and potentially given a criminal record, those caught can have their phone or computer taken away from them, risk expulsion from school, and face limits on their internet use, career opportunities and international travel.

Many offenders participating in low level cyber crime are unaware that their actions are criminal, but can progress to participate in more complex, serious offending after a short period of time

Examples of low-level offending include downloading software to get access to someone else's device, trying to access a protected server or buying something using the saved card details on someone else's account. Gamers who make in-game purchases without the permission of the account holder or engage in DDoS-ing are breaking the law, despite often doing so unwittingly.

Parents and teachers of those aged 10-16 are encouraged to help their children understand the severity of these offences and develop their skills in positive ways.

Skills in coding, gaming, cyber security or anything digital related are in high demand, both in the UK and abroad, and those with talent have many lucrative and legal options open to them.

For those looking for guidance, the Agency's dedicated website, Cyber Choices, provides resources on the Computer Misuse Act, as well as information on online training, further education and future careers.

NCA Deputy Director Paul Foster, Head of the National Cyber Crime Unit, said:

*"Many young people are getting involved in cyber crime without realising that they are breaking the law.*

*"Our message to these teenagers is simple – don't play games with your future.*

*"Whether you engage in this behaviour knowingly or without realising, you are committing an offence – and could face serious consequences for your actions.*

*"We'd encourage any concerned parents and teachers to speak to young people with an interest in tech, help them understand the dangers, and highlight the many rewarding and varied careers available to them.*

*"Our Cyber Choices team are here to help children, teachers and parents with advice and guidance."*

The NCA's campaign tackling the issue will run for the next 3 weeks and includes video content on Snapchat and YouTube that will reach over 3 million young people.

## Scaffolding at The Front of The Academy

Please bear with us whilst we are having improvements made to the front of the academy. Please ensure that any child/children stay on the path and stay away from the scaffolding. This way we will keep everyone safe whilst the work is being made.

### Dates for Your Calendar

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024** – Yr.5 Trip – National Space Centre

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024** – Red Nose Day

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024** – KS1 Maths Book Look

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2021** -UKS2 Maths Book Look

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024** – Yr.1 (Group A) Trip - Ramsey Heights

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024** – Yr.1 (Group B) Trip – Ramsey Heights

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024** – LKS2 Maths Book Look

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024** – Yr.6 Trip – London Eye and River cruise

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024** – Spring Term Ends



### **“RED to TOE” RED NOSE DAY REMINDER**

The theme for Red Nose Day this year is Red to Toe so on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March, everyone is welcome to come dressed in anything red from a hair band to socks to full red outfits in exchange for a silver donation to support

**Comic Relief**