



# Discovery Primary Academy



Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024

We hope this message finds you well as we approach the festive season! This will be the last newsletter for the year! Here are some exciting updates and arrangements:

## • Christmas Fair Today:

Don't forget to join us for the Christmas Fair this afternoon! We look forward to seeing you there. Parents will be welcomed at the front of the academy once all children have left at the end of the day. The stalls will be located along the atrium and into the two halls. When you plan to leave the fair, this will be via the atrium doors onto the playground and out of the gates by the Preschool. Please be patient as our Christmas Fair is very popular and it can be very busy so please bear with us. If you can bring coins with you instead of notes, that would really help. All stalls will charge multiples of 50p and a £1.

## • Year 1 and 2 Visit to Paston Church:

Our Year 1 and 2 children visited Paston Church this week to learn more about the Church and the things that happen there. The children learnt a lot and their behaviour was once again praised.

## • EYFS Nativity:

The EYFS Nativity performance was absolutely fantastic! Thank you to everyone who supported and attended—it was a magical moment for all involved.

## • Year 3 Percussion Performance:

Our Year 3 students showcased their musical talents by performing percussion pieces to parents. A big thank you to the children and staff for making it so memorable.

## • Christmas Dinner:

The Christmas dinner was a huge success! The festive atmosphere, delicious food, and joyful chatter made it a truly special day for everyone. Thank you to everyone in the kitchen and staff for supporting our children.

## • Year 6 Science Day:

Year 6 had an exciting science day today when the Cambridge Science Centre came into school. They explored hands-on activities and deepened their curiosity about the world around them.

## Next Week's Events

### • Discovery's Got Talent - Tuesday 17th December.

Key Stage two children will be invited to watch Discovery's Got Talent. Each class will vote for their act to represent them. The winning act will receive a small prize in recognition of their talent.

### • Christmas Party Time - Wednesday 18th December.

There will be Christmas parties across the Academy in the afternoon including party games. The children can bring their party clothes in a named bag then get changed for the afternoon. Presents or treats will be given to the children

## Attendance Matters!



This week the overall academy attendance was **92.4%**. Well done to **Hercules** who achieved the highest at **98.3%**

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

[Discovery Primary Academy - Afterschool Clubs](#)

## Football!!

Our academy football team have been in action again this week. We took part in the national EFL Utilita Kids Cup at the Peterborough United training ground. The team had to battle with the cold weather as well as some very difficult games. They played well in all their matches as always and were great ambassadors for the game and fair play - well done!



## Sports Competition

Children from across KS2 had a very exciting opportunity to attend a sports competition at the Thomas Deacon Academy this week. They competed in a range of indoor athletics style events, working together as a team. Their big smiles show how much they enjoyed the event and we are all very proud of their efforts - well done!



## DPA Maths Ambassadors

Meet the new DPA Maths Ambassadors. These children will be championing maths across the school this academic year and are starting by leading the Maths Day on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2024. Each ambassador will be going into every classroom and leading the maths learning and encouraging each child to see the magic in maths. For this maths day, the focus will be upon geometry, shape and real-life problem solving and hopefully the children will both learn and have fun.



## The Library

I am delighted to announce that the library is now open. The children spent some time in there looking at the different books that are available to be borrowed and read at home shortly. Over time we will be opening the library at the end of the day for parents/carers to come in and help their child/children from choosing a book.

This has been a tremendous project which will support the academy with developing the love of reading. I would like to thank all the staff that have helped with enabling the library to open especially Mrs Canham who has spent many an evening after school making sure the children could visit it before Christmas.

## Tiredness

As you have read lots of wonderful things going on. It has been a long term and children are beginning to get very tired. Could we ask that where possible could they have early nights so we can all enjoy next week in the academy. Thank you for your continued support.

## Dates for Your Calendar

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Parties  
**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024** – Break for Christmas  
**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January** – Training Day  
**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January** – Spring Term begins.  
**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February** –Disco  
**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February** – Parents Evening  
**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February** – Parents Evening  
**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March** – World Book Day

## **Holiday Activities and Food Programme**



Bookings are now open for the Christmas 2024 Holiday Activities and Food Programme.

All pupils in receipt of benefit related free school meals can apply for up to four sessions during the upcoming holiday.

Please follow [the link](#)