

Music Primary Newsflash



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear families I hope this sixth edition of our academy Newsflash finds you and your family safe and well. As Term 5 draws to a close, we are extremely proud of our students who have demonstrated our academy values of hard work, independence and enjoyment across all aspects of academy life this term.

I would like to give a special mention to all Year 2 and Year 6 students who have successfully completed their SATs assessments with pride and resilience; all staff are extremely proud of their mature attitude and commitment to their learning.

This term we say goodbye to our Year 6 teacher, Mrs Bertola, and would like to thank her for all her hard work since joining the academy eight years ago. We wish her all the best with her new business venture.

The Deputy Chief Executive, Luke Sparkes, visited earlier this term and the academy received excellent feedback about our staff who are truly committed to providing a rich, diverse curriculum offer that ensures all our students are able to achieve our academy's mission of going to university (or real alternative) thriving in a top job and having a great life! He was particularly impressed with student transitions around the academy, the teamwork shown during family dining and students demonstrating a love of reading in Drop, Everything and Read sessions.

Our academy choir 'Young Voices' are in demand again and have a jam-packed diary for the upcoming term. Recently, they were asked to perform the Bradford City of Culture promotional anthem (written by Dixons Music Primary students) at the Lord Mayor's Annual Dinner and appeared on ITV's Calendar News.

School council have been working hard supporting the local community. Their fundraiser was a great success (despite the weather!) and they raised over £100 for the local charity 'Abigail's Housing'. Bag and bags of donated toiletries and canned goods were also collected to provide support for refugees. Thank you to anyone who supported this event.

Year 1, thoroughly enjoyed their geography enrichment day to support their learning about Africa. Students and parents were fully immersed. They tasted African food from their classroom 'African Market' and learnt lots about the culture and traditions.

Four Sapphire Autonomy students: Aziza, Momina, Ishan and Saleena delivered messages of support, written on patches of denim, to Pudsey Leisure Centre to help the Alzheimer's Society's campaign. These messages, combined with others delivered from across Bradford, were sewn together to make a huge pair of memory jeans to raise awareness for loved ones living with Dementia. Finally, thank you for your continued support. Best wishes and stay safe, Miss Parry

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Upcoming Events

27 May 22: Last day of Term 5 and Jubilee Celebration	6-24 June 22: Y4 Multiplication Checks
20 May 22- 3 June 22: Half-term break	27 June 22: Sports Day
06 June 22: Start of Term 6	4-5 July 22: DMP Transition Days
06 June 22: Phonics Screening Checks begin	6-8 July 22: Y4 Cliffe House Residential

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ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Please be reminded of our academy target of 97% for attendance and punctuality. Appointments, family occasions and holidays should be booked outside of term time or afterschool wherever possible. Natalie Jones, our academy attendance officer, will be in touch with families to highlight any instances where attendance or punctuality has become a concern.

PARENTS' EVENINGS

Face to face parents evenings will be taking place in the summer term. For students in Mrs Shehzad's class (Y1 Lincoln) these will happen slightly earlier so she can speak to all parents about their child's progress before she starts maternity leave. The meetings will take place week beginning Monday 13 June and parents will receive information about how to choose time slots at the beginning of Term 6.

Parents evening for years Reception, Year 1 (Leeds), Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 will take place in the week beginning Monday 4 July - information to follow in due course.

Year 6 end of year parent consultations take place in the form of 'Dream Talks'. These will take place in the week beginning Monday 18 July, where students reflect on their journey at Dixons Music Primary and discuss their aspirations, hopes and dreams for the future alongside their parents and guardians and the Year 6 team. Further communication about dates and bookings will be sent out during Term 6.

Y4 MULTIPLICATION TABLES CHECK

Year 4 students have been working hard on learning and practicing their times tables up to 12 x 12. The Multiplication Tables Check for Year 4 will be taking place during the period Monday 6 June 2022 to Friday 24 June 2022. Year 4 students should spend some time every evening practising their times tables, in readiness for the Multiplication Tables Check.

Y1 PHONICS SCREENING CHECKS

Y1 Students have been working hard in preparing for the statutory Phonics Screening Checks where students are asked to blend real words and 'alien words' that contain a range of graphemes, digraphs and trigraphs. Please support your child by reading the Read, Write Inc. reading books sent home on a weekly basis as these contain words and sounds similar to those read in the Phonics Screening Checks which take place from the week beginning Monday 6 June.

RESIDENTIALS

The Year 3 Sleepover will take place in Term 6. This event is often the first experience our Year 3 students have of staying a night away from home and is great preparation for longer residential in older year groups. Whilst parents and students may feel anxious about students staying away overnight for the first time, it is expected that all students participate in enrichment activities such as these as they provide opportunities to develop teamwork and build confidence in a safe and familiar environment. Please support and encourage your child to attend this event and speak to a member of staff if you wish to discuss any medical or toileting needs. Parents will receive more information about this next term and be invited to a launch meeting.

Preparations for the Year 4 residential to Cliffe House are thoroughly underway. All families have now received all information about payments, kit-lists, medication etc. If you have any queries please ask at the main office and a member of the Y4 residential team will get back to you.

CREATING ACTIVE SCHOOLS

We are pleased to be part of a Bradford City project called Creating Active Schools. The three-year project aims to increase the levels of physical activity of students at Dixons Music Primary school because research shows that increased levels of physical activity lead to improved physical health and mental well-being. The project is supported by practitioners from the NHS. At DMP, the CAS team is looking at developing break time provision to ensure more students are engaged in active play. We now have two members of staff who are qualified as Mental Health First Aiders and from September, they will be available to support the Mental Health and Wellbeing of both students and staff at the Academy. In partnership with a practitioner from the NHS, we will be running workshops around healthy eating to support families with making healthy food choices - more information to follow.

CLUBS

We are currently offering a several clubs run by external providers. If you have any queries regarding the clubs or payments please contact the leaders directly rather than, via the DMP office to your queries can be dealt with swiftly and the correct information given.