

Newsletter No.7

5th November 2018



Falconer's Hill
Academy



Dates for the Diary

November

7-9th	Norfolk Lakes Residential
Friday 9th	Parent/Carer Drop in 2.45pm
7-12th	Book Fair
Tuesday 13th	Open Morning 9-11.30am
Wednesday 14th	Individual photos
Tuesday 20th	Shakespeare Festival performance at The Corby Cube
Friday 23rd	Parent/Carer Drop in 2.45pm

December

Monday 10th	Christmas dinner
Wednesday 19th	Term Ends

Attendance for last week

Hawk 3	98.00%	Eagle 5	98.00%
Merlin 3	98.67%	Buzzard 5	97.86%
Kite 4	99.31%	Kestrel 6	97.00%
Peregrine 4	98.57%	Osprey 6	98.67%

Reminder

May we take the opportunity to remind all parents and carers that we will not tolerate abusive or aggressive language towards anybody in our school community – pupils, staff or other parents/carers. If there is an issue that you feel that the school should be dealing with, please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. As ever, your support is gratefully appreciated.

Attendance and Punctuality

The Academy is continuing to focus on attendance and punctuality and we need your continued support to ensure we hit our target of at least 96% attendance for every child. We really do appreciate that our parents tackle the morning rush hour – come rain or shine (and with young families) – to get to school on time so that children can begin learning straight away and ensuring that other pupil's learning isn't affected by late comers.

Why is good attendance and punctuality important?

Education lays the vital foundations of a child's life. Regular and punctual attendance at school is key to both academic and social development, which in turn will improve the life chances of children and young people.

What does 90% attendance mean?

- 90% attendance = ½ school day missed every week!
- One school year at 90% attendance = 4 weeks of learning missed!
- Over 5 years of school = ½ school year missed!

All children and young people nationally whose school attendance is 90% or below are considered to be persistent absentees.

House Points

It was fantastic to see so many parents and carers in our Celebration Assembly last week where we gave out over 200 certificates for house points earned since the start of the school year. Well done to all those who received one. A reminder that 3 Dojo points equals 1 house point and you can see how well your child is doing by accessing their Class Dojo account. Class Dojo is an effective way of communicating between home and school but please allow sufficient time for a teacher to get back to you, particularly if you have sent a message in the evening out of school hours. All children who receive 60 House Points during this term will be entered into a Prize Draw in the final week of term where they have the chance to win an exciting prize for themselves and their family!

Please remember to visit our school website regularly for useful information <http://www.falconershillacademy.co.uk/>

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Poppies

Year 6 will be selling poppies in the school hall at break time throughout this week. If your child would like one, they are welcome to bring in a donation for this.



Book Fair

We have the Scholastic book fair coming to school this week with some awesome new titles including Ice Monster by David Walliams. Children will get a chance to browse the book fair with their class during the week. It will be based in the library. The dates and times of when it will be open are below:

Wednesday 7th	3.30-4.30pm
Thursday 8th	3.30-4.30pm
Friday 9th	3.30-4.30pm
Monday 12th	3.30-4.30pm



Children in Need

We will be supporting the Children in Need charity this year by inviting children and staff to wear non-uniform and wear spots if they would like to in exchange for a donation of £1. There will also be an opportunity for you to purchase key-rings and wristbands that will be on sale next week.



FALCONER'S HILL ACADEMY FRIENDS



CINEMA NIGHT -

Tuesday 13th

November

5.00pm-7.00pm



Please come along to our Friends Cinema Event on

Tuesday, 13th November 2018

Tickets cost £3.50 and this includes a Hotdog and a drink.

ONLY for pupils of FHA.

Sweets and popcorn will also be available to purchase.

Tickets are available to buy on the door.

We hope you come along to enjoy the movie!