



Edna G Olds Academy
A LEAD Academy

Newsletter

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The children have continued to impress us with their hard work and dedication to their learning this half term. It has been a delight to watch the children share their learning at our weekly class assembly and curriculum showcase events. We really appreciate the support of parents at these events too.

County Lines Workshops in KS2

On Tuesday 17th September the children in KS2 took part in a new educational workshop run by 'One Chance and the DBA Project' to raise awareness of County Lines, the risks associated with this and how they can stay safe. We also welcomed The Sheriff of Nottingham in to school on Tuesday, he joined some of the workshops taking place to understand more about the important learning being shared.



What is County Lines?

County Lines refers to the criminal exploitation of young people, where they are used to transport illegal substances or engage in other illegal activities across different counties. While this topic may sound advanced, it is increasingly important that we help our children understand the risks and pressures they may encounter as they grow up, especially in today's world.

We understand that the topic of County Lines can be concerning, but the focus is on empowering children to make safe and positive choices. By raising awareness at an early age, we aim to equip them with the knowledge and confidence to navigate potentially challenging situations.

We are planning to host some supportive parental workshops in this subject area. We do hope you will join us for these informative events- details to follow.

Black History Month

October is Black History month. Black History Month is a time to celebrate and learn about the important contributions of Black people throughout history. During this month, we remember the heroes who stood up for equality and fairness, like Martin Luther King Jr. and Rosa Parks. It's also a chance to explore the rich culture, achievements, and inventions of Black communities around the world. In our school, we will take time to read stories, learn about inspiring leaders, and understand the importance of kindness and respect for everyone. The importance of Black history month is also interwoven within our curriculum throughout the year.

In order to share our learning with you, we would like to invite you to our Black history assembly on **Wednesday 6th November at 9am**. We really hope that you are able to join us.



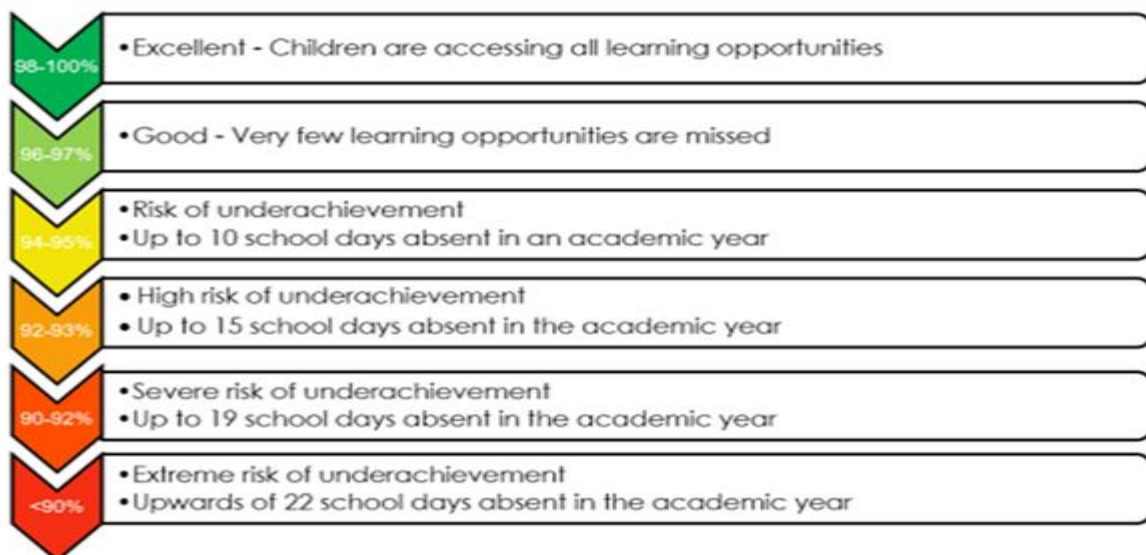
Year 6

Loved participating in Bikeability during the week beginning 16th September. They developed their bicycle skills and learnt how to stay safe on the road, while riding a bike.



Attendance

We all understand the importance of good attendance. It has long been proven that good attendance helps lead to excellence outcomes for children in education. Even a small amount of time missed from school can have a serious impact on a child's learning. Please see below an illustration, which clearly shows how just a few days absent from school can have an effect. Small absences can add up over the course of a year. If you are worried about your child's attendance, or would like any support please contact the school office to make an appointment with Mr Rob Jones our family support worker.



School News

We are delighted to share that we have the Police visiting school on Thursday 10th October. Every year group will have the opportunity to take part in a special workshop and learn more about how to stay safe, with a particular focus on road safety.



Harvest Assembly

Thank you to all the parents that joined us for our Harvest Assembly on Monday 30th September. We were delighted to welcome Reverend Gareth Frank and Jen Deacon from Holy Trinity Church to be part of our assembly too. The children loved performing their harvest songs and sharing their poems with you. We are overwhelmed with the generosity of the local community in providing so much food to share with Himmah, a local food bank and support network for the local community. Thank you to each and every one of you that were able to contribute. We also understand that this is a difficult time for some of our own families. If you do require any financial support or advice please contact our Family Support Worker Rob Jones or the school office. Please find below links for local foodbank information:

[Get emergency food | Trussell](#)

[Food bank | Himmah: Grassroots community action](#)



Flu Immunisations

Information will be sent out very soon regarding flu immunisations taking place in school on Wednesday 4th December.

Half Term Holidays

Please use the link below for information regarding the Himmah Harvest Festival

[Himmah Harvest Fest Oct 2024.pdf](#)



Pupil News



Bea Year 1 took part in the mini marathon! She explained to the whole class what she had done and it was great to see her medal that she won! We are so impressed with her resilience and determination for achieving this!

Zahra Year 5 recently received a medal for completing the Reading Books Challenge 2024 at the new city library. Well done Zahra!





Core Behaviours Achievers



Nursery	Malaki	For showing fantastic personal responsibility in the classroom and setting a great example for others.
	May	For demonstrating great motivation this week and showing great engagement with our learning about 'The Three Little Pigs'.
Rec	Amar	For demonstrating great enthusiasm towards his learning.
	Aisha	For being able to cooperate and work with others towards a shared goal.
Year 1	Paula	For taking personal responsibility and having determination in every lesson.
	Hassan	For demonstrating resilience in the swimming pool.
Year 2	Zaid	For his altruistic behaviour towards others.
	Omobolaji	For showing resilience in and out of the classroom.
Year 3	Antonio	For his resilience and efforts in improving all aspects of his work.
	Lacey	For her kind and caring nature towards everyone around her.
Year 4	Katherine	For her determination and efforts in Maths particularly when facing a challenge.
	Jaxon	For showing altruism and respect during lunch time and when moving around school.
Year 5	Rahaf	For showing fantastic personal responsibility and resilience, and for being a fantastic role model.
	Mohammed-Zaydan	For demonstrating courage and self-awareness during his first week at school.
Year 6	Janae	For her resilience during maths, she perseveres and uses different strategies to complete the task.
	Mahmoud	For his altruistic personality, Mahmoud is always willing to help wherever he is around school.

Many thanks for your continued support

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