



Edna G Olds Academy

A L.E.A.D. Academy

Headteacher's Newsletter

11th December 2020



Headteacher Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we draw to the close of an unprecedented calendar year, I wish to express my heartfelt thanks to Edna G. Olds Academy staff team, pupils, parents and governors. You have supported us tremendously throughout numerous safety measures, transition arrangements and new found ways of working and communicating. I have truly valued each and everyone of you for your support.

Our children and staff are thoroughly enjoying their end of term festivities – It's a joy to hear them singing as I walk around school. Today we held our annual Christmas jumper day, raising money for Save the Children. It was wonderful to see children dressed in their festive jumpers and accessories! We raised an amazing £100 plus. Well done everyone! We will confirm the exact amount in a later newsletter.

Next week, our celebrations continue! Children and staff have been working hard to practise their Christmas performances. Please do keep a watchful eye out for these performances being uploaded to your child's Showbie account on Thursday 17th December 2020.

In addition, we are all really looking forward to our Christmas lunch being served on Wednesday 16th December 2020. Our amazing catering team are working hard to prepare and serve a delicious meal for our children and staff to feast upon.

Our Christmas holiday period this year will look a little different for us all, given the local tier 3 restrictions currently in place due to Coronavirus. With this in mind, please find some wonderful resources via the link below. We wish all of our families a wonderful time together over the festive period:

<http://daisi.education/fun-activities-at-home/>

As a school, we remain committed to promoting positive well-being and mental health for our all of our school community. With this mind, we are pleased that a member of our staff team has qualified as a mental health first aider. This qualification will help us promote positive mental health even further within school.

This week, we have welcomed back Mrs Crotty from her maternity leave. Mrs Crotty has enjoyed catching up with the children and finding out about the wonderful teaching and learning that has taken place over the past year.

Finally, the Autism Team at Nottingham City Council are running a 'Making sense of Autism' online session for parents on Monday 14th December 2020. To access this free event, please follow the link below:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/making-sense-of-autism-workshop-for-parents-tickets-132013976357?utm_source=eventbrite&utm_medium=email&utm_content=follow_notification&utm_campaign=following_published_event&utm_term=Making+Sense+of+Autism+Workshop+for+Parents&aff=ebemoffollowpublishemail

I do hope you have a wonderful weekend and I am thinking of our Jewish community and families who are currently observing the Festival of Light festivities - Hanukka.

Peace and fond wishes to all,



Mrs Pemberton
Headteacher

