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INSPIRE Mornings

Thank you to all the parents who came to our INSPIRE mornings last week. We had a fantastic turnout! I am glad you found the session helpful in supporting your child at home. The feedback we received was very positive. There will be more opportunities to work with your child in class in the autumn term.

Year 1 Phonics Screening

As part of national testing, the children in year 1 will have their phonics skills assessed during the week beginning Monday, 8th June. Children should respond quickly to the phonemes they have learnt. They should also use their phonic knowledge to read words fluently by the end of year 1. Please can you make sure that your child is in school every day during that week so we can complete these tests.

Year 6 Transition

Our year 6 children will be leaving us in July to go to secondary school. If your child is starting at Outwood Academy Hemsworth in September, you will find their transition website helpful. This website gives parents useful information about next year. The children can also watch videos online to find out more about the school. Please click on the following link for more information:

<https://sites.google.com/hemsworth.outwood.com/transition-website>

Attendance

The table below shows the attendance for each class last week. Congratulations to year 1 for having an attendance of more than 98%! Each week, our whole-school attendance should be at least 96%.

| Upper Foundation | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 | Whole School |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|
| 95.2% | 98.5% | 92.4% | 95.4% | 93.6% | 97.4% | 93.5% | 95.2% |

Multiplication Test

As part of national testing, the children in year 4 will have their multiplication skills assessed during the weeks beginning Monday, 1st June and Monday, 8th June. Please can you make sure that your child is in school every day during these weeks so we can complete these tests.

Instagram

Please remember to continue to check our Instagram account for the latest information about the academy. This week, our teachers shared examples of work that the children have recently completed across the curriculum.

Have a lovely half-term and see you all on Monday 1st June. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Johnson
Headteacher

