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Dear parents and carers,

We have had a fantastic week in school this week; the children have worked hard during Anti-Bullying week and Children in Need day and have been a credit to our academy yet again.

Anti-Bullying Week

During this week, all classes across school have been working together for anti-bullying week. The themes this year have been 'Choose Kindness' and 'Choose Respect'; the pupils have used the acronym STOP (several times on purpose) to help them to identify the differences between unkindness and bullying. All classes have created some work and this was shared in celebration assembly. As an academy, we are in the process of filming and editing our own anti-bullying campaign in the form of a whole school video, which we will share on our twitter feed and website in due course.

Children in Need

Thank you to all parents and carers who supported our Children In Need day by sending donations into school with their children. We will announce our final fundraised amount in next week's newsletter!

Year 6 Life Skills

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Year 6 Life Skills event on Thursday. The children did a fantastic job of preparing, cooking and serving a delicious three course meal for their parents – the children even pulled their parents' chairs out for them before dining! A special thank you must go to Mrs Johnson who planned this fantastic event and spent all day with the children to ensure their evening went as well as possible. We would also like to thank Ms Broadbent and Miss Brown for staying to help with this event.

Armistice Day for the Ossett Fallen

Thank you to all parents and carers who joined us in Ossett for Armistice Day last Sunday. It was a very special day and we were thrilled to see the parents, carers and pupils in attendance.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Annabel Berry
Headteacher

Miss Laura Eke
Deputy Headteacher



Events in our academy this week:

To view more photographs of events happening within our academy, take a look at our Twitter account @TowngatePA

Early Years

This week we have been thinking about anti bullying week. In F1, we have been using our puppets to talk about being good friends. F2 have made a friendship chain for our classroom with rules to follow. F1 have enjoyed learning about colours and thinking about Children in Need.

F2 have been reading *The Room on the Broom* by Julia Donaldson. We have been using our cutting skills so we can make a hat for the witch in the story. We have also been thinking about weight in maths.

Mrs Kimbley

Key Stage One

This week in KSI we received a letter from Stick Man asking for our help explaining what bullying meant. We have learnt the acronym STOP (Several Times On Purpose) which has helped us explain to Stick Man he isn't being bullied because it's different people only doing it once. We have enjoyed another science experiment this week investigating which items float and sink, some of us were surprised with the results and our predictions.

Well done KSI!

Key Stage Two



In Key Stage Two, we have been focusing our learning around Anti-Bullying week; all classes have spent time creating some wonderful work to demonstrate how we can all work together to banish bullying behaviour! The children have considered bullying behaviours and how these are different to children who are being unkind. Some children from Year 6 attended the Explore Learning maths competition in Trinity Wakefield – this was a brilliant opportunity for the children to showcase their problem solving and cooperation skills. Next week, Year 6 begin their Bikeability training and all classes will begin practising their Christmas productions. Well done everyone!





Special Mentions



Celebration Assembly Star of the Week

Here are our Star of the Week children for this week:

Foundation Stage	Thomas & Evie
Year 1	Phoebe & Cora-Bethan
Year 1 / 2	Abigail & Tahlia
Year 2	Phoebe & Kellan
Year 3	Scarlett & Kieran
Year 3 / 4	Elwood & Tom
Year 4	William & Kacey
Year 5	Faye & Aidan
Year 6	Connor & Ruby
Pastoral Award	Noah, Harry & Cora-Bethan

Marble Winners

Year 6	180
Year 2	162
Year 5	122

School Attendance

Whole School	97.55%
Foundation Stage	97.86%
Year 1	95.86%
Year 1 / 2	98.62%
Year 2	98.62%
Year 3	98.44%
Year 3 / 4	98%
Year 4	97.5%
Year 5	95.77%
Year 6	97%

Our whole school attendance target is 97%.
Well done to everyone for your super attendance, everyone!



PTA Christmas Fair

Please see attached the PTA's flyer for this year's Christmas Fair, which will take place on Thursday 6th December in the school hall. We look forward to seeing you all there!



It is our PTA Christmas Film Night on Wednesday 12th December. We look forward to seeing lots of children there.

Towngate Primary
Academy P.T.A.

PRESENTS

**Christmas
Film Night**

**Wednesday 12th
December**

Choose from:
**Grinch, Home Alone, Santa Paws,
Muppet's Christmas Carol**

Limited places available
Hotdogs, popcorn and juice
£5 per child (F2 – Y6)

PTA UK
PARENTS AND TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

FILM NIGHT

