

St. Nathaniel's Newsletter

April 2024



WELCOME TO
SAINT NATHANIEL'S ACADEMY



Saint Nathaniel's Promotional Video

We were very fortunate before the Easter break to have Mr Jones, from the St. Bart's Multi Academy Trust team, to come and record, edit and produce a promotional video for our school, which highlights some of the amazing work that takes place in our fabulous school on a daily basis. We have had lots of positive feedback about the video, and the children who took part in it did an amazing job too! If you have not seen it yet, the video can be found on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/SaintNathanielsAcademy/) as well as on the home screen of our school website. It can also be viewed directly on YouTube by using the following link - <https://youtu.be/b50z6P3Xgl0?si=UHgbLz78J1nb89dh>

PARKING

As always, we continue to encourage parents to use the overflow car park next to our school both before and after school. Please continue to allow other cars on and off the car park though by not blocking the entrance to that area.

BIKEABILITY

Year 1 have recently had a fabulous time taking part in the Bikeability scheme. The children showed excellent skills and enjoyed riding around the school yard on their balance bikes. Well done Year 1.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Mon 29th April - Parent Consultations

Mon 6th May - School closed for Bank Holiday

Thurs 9th May - Community Coffee Morning

WB 13th May - Year 6 SATs week

Thurs 23rd May - More in Common Day

Fri 24th May - School closed to pupils for INSET day



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PARENTAL CONSULTATIONS

Face to face parent consultations will take place on Monday 29th April. If you requested a telephone consultation instead, these will take place during the same week.

PLAY EQUIPMENT

Whilst we love to see the children playing on our play equipment outside, we must politely request that parents and carers do not allow children to play on it before or after school. This is due to insurance purposes.

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS

Well done to our girls and boys football team, who represented our school so well recently at football tournaments held at Ormiston Horizon Academy. Both teams put in great efforts with the girls coming 3rd and the boys coming 2nd. Thank you for representing our school so well.

COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING

Be sure to come along to our school hall on Thursday 9th May at 8:45am for our next community coffee morning. The last one we held in Spring was a real success with many parents asking for them to continue, so please come along to support the event.

Maths News

We continue to strive to provide the best opportunities in maths for all our children, but we also like to hear how the staff are developing their knowledge and skills in order to support our children and staff in school. Whilst we are very fortunate to already have one Primary Mastery Specialist in school in Mrs Turkmen, we were delighted to hear that Mr Rowley has also been successful in his recent application to become a Primary Mastery Specialist too! This is a clear recognition of the work that Mr Rowley has been doing alongside Mrs Turkmen over the last year to develop the maths curriculum in school. The transformation that has taken place over the past 12 months has also been recognised by the NCETM (National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Maths), who have asked us to support another school in the Stoke-on-Trent area who are in the process of developing their own maths curriculum. Well done to the maths team at St Nathaniel's!

Attendance

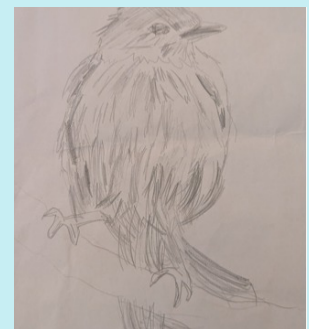
We continue to monitor attendance very closely at school. Below are the latest attendance results for each class for this month. The national average for attendance which we strive to achieve is 96%.

Congratulations to Class 4RT for having the highest attendance during the month!

	Lates	% Attendance		Lates	% Attendance
R1EP	25	90.5%	3DY	10	92.9%
R2SP	25	88.8%	4EP	14	85.5%
1BT	35	89.1%	4RT	24	95.3%
1MB	55	87.9%	5HH	23	95.1%
2DF	19	91.6%	5SB	33	86.5%
2TB	25	94%	6ES	16	87.6%
3RS	21	88.3%	6TG	19	92.9%

ART COMPETITION WINNER

Congratulations to Brooke from Year 3 who recently won the art competition that was held across our group of schools from the St. Bart's Multi Academy Trust. Children were encouraged to submit entries on the theme of 'garden birds' and we were delighted to hear that Brooke had won top spot! You can see from her amazing entry what a superb artist she is. She is now the proud owner of a new art set which was sent to her by the Trust for winning the competition. Well done Brooke!





Magic Maths!

Here is a T-shape made from 3 identical rectangles.
The area of the T-shape is 90cm^2

Work out the value of x .

How many blocks are used to build this?

Write the numbers 1 to 9 in each of the squares below, so that each row, column and diagonal adds up to 15.

6		
	5	
8		

	9	2
8		

8		
1	5	
	7	

MATHS WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

Maths is Fun gives a range of explanations of different mathematical concepts, including examples, and provides some free games to play online too.

<https://www.mathsisfun.com/>

LEGO CHALLENGE

Today you will be builders. You need to build a brick wall with a total value of 32. Here are your materials:

materials	value
	8
	4
	2

Challenge 1: Build the wall with a value of 32.

Challenge 2: How many ways can you build a wall with a value of 32?

Challenge 3: Build a wall with a value of 64. What combination of bricks will you use?