



Saint Nathaniel's Academy

January 2024 Newsletter



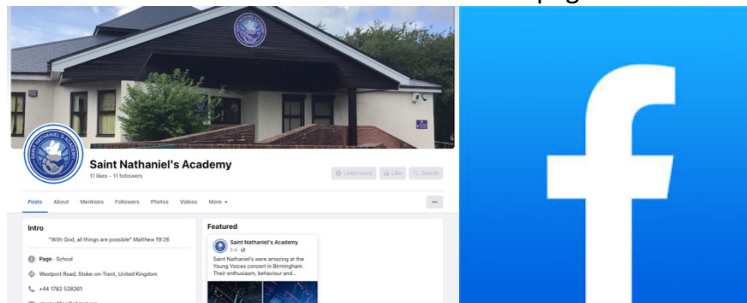
As we are reaching the end of what seems to be a very short half term, we still have plenty of news to share with you. Already this half term we have had children taking part in educational visits, music concerts attended and family workshops taking place. We also have an exciting new announcement to share, which we will start with!

School Facebook Page

Our school has now set up its own Facebook page to share information about the school as well as the fantastic work that takes place each day with the children. We recognise that many people use the Facebook platform and therefore it seemed only natural that we would use this to share the news from our school. You can find our Facebook page at

www.facebook.com/SaintNathanielsAcademy

Look out for the posters around school with our new Facebook page information on too.



Young Voices Concert

A big well done needs to go to all the children who attended the Young Voices Concert at the Birmingham Resorts Arena this month. The children had an amazing opportunity to perform and sing in front of a huge audience, as well as having the opportunity to watch other performers on the night. The children were a real credit to the school and did St. Nathaniel's proud! Well done to all involved and thank you to the staff from school who accompanied the children on what is always a very long day!

Safer Internet Day

During the week beginning 5th February, Safer Internet Day 2024 will be celebrated with children's learning based around the theme '**Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online**'. This year children will be covering:

- Young people's perspective on new and emerging technology
- Using the internet to make change for the better
- The changes young people want to see online
- The things that can influence and change the way young people think, feel and act online and offline

Please use the following link to view an information sheet for parents focussed on Online Safety:

<https://bit.ly/49cuPs8>

Farm Fresh Dates

The following are dates when Farm Fresh will next be at school:

- Friday 2nd February
- Friday 23rd February
- Friday 8th March
- Friday 22nd March

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Child Absence

If your child is absent from school, please ring the school office with the reason. If school do not hear anything then you may receive a home visit.

Late Arrivals

Since Christmas there have been a big increase in the number of children arriving to school late. Please remember that the school doors open at 8.35am and close at 8.45am. Please ensure that your child arrives to school before the doors close in order to avoid a late mark being received. Late marks increased from 345 in December to 531 in January.

Family Science Event

Staffordshire University are hosting an Invertebrate Science Fair on Saturday 2nd March from 10:30am -4:00pm. If you're interested in learning about insects including activities and talks, why not head along. The event is free to attend and there is free parking too. See the picture to the right for more details.



Uniform

Please ensure that your child is dressed for success and wearing the full school uniform each day. This includes a blue jumper or cardigan, white shirt or polo top, school tie, grey or black skirt, trousers or pinafore, dark tights and black school shoes not trainers. Trainers are only permitted on days where your child has PE and should be worn along with our blue PE T-shirt and black or navy shorts or joggers. Staff will be checking school uniform and PE kits on a regular basis. More information regarding our uniform including where to buy it is available from our office staff or from our website. Thank you for your support with this.

TT Rockstars Competition

St. Bart's will soon be hosting a TT Rockstars competition across all schools in our Trust. There are prizes to be won and all children with a TT Rockstar login are welcome to join. Our aim is to get St. Nathaniel's to the top of the leaderboard! The competition takes places from 26th February until the 22nd March. Any scores gained between 7:30am and 6:00pm each day will count towards our total. Have a look at the video created for the event to see more detail - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gzZDHEeBfEU>

Attendance for December

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

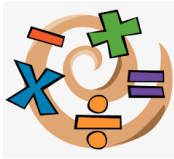
	<u>Lates</u>	<u>% Attendance</u>		<u>Lates</u>	<u>% Attendance</u>
R1EP	58	91.7%	3DY	14	95.1%
R2SP	40	90.1%	4EP	28	89.8%
1AT/ZB	61	94.3%	4RT	36	93%
1MB	65	93.9%	5HH	21	95%
2DF	24	85.7%	5SB	42	90.7%
2TB	32	93.9%	6ES	29	92.5%
3RS	40	94.1%	6TG	41	92.6%

Congratulations to Class 3DY for having the highest attendance during the month!

Diary Dates

- Friday 9th February – School closes for half term
- Monday 19th February – School re-opens for all pupils
- Monday 19th February – Yr 6 residential visit

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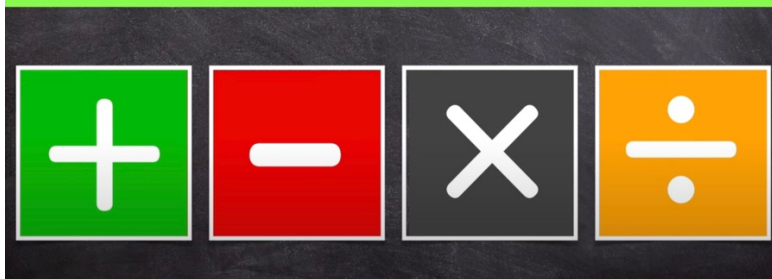


Magic Maths!



Have a look at the following Maths Speed Test video. There are 20 quick fire questions that get progressively more challenging. How many answers can you get correct from 20 questions? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a6FWNYmjmx8>

MATH SPEED TEST



Puzzle time

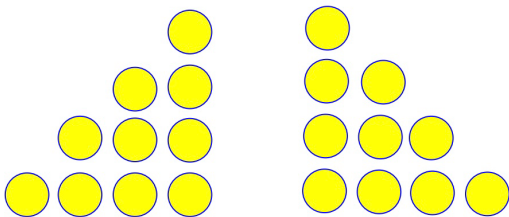


Counter reflection

Sometimes the easiest things are the most annoying - when you can't do them! Have a go at this:

change

into



Sounds easy - eh!
But there is a snag!

You can only move
three counters!!



Have you got a maths puzzle that you would like to see on the next newsletter? If so, share your idea with Mr Rowley, Mrs Turkmen or Mr Bowler.

Fill in the grid so that each column, row and diagonal add up to the given sum.

The sum is 260.

68	96		32	60
				64
16		52		
40	48		84	12
44	72			36

Maths website of the Month:

Our next website is Math Game Time, which has a range of online maths games for all ages and topics.

<https://www.mathgametime.com/math-games>