



# Saint Nathaniel's Academy

## March 2024 Newsletter



It's hard to believe that we are already approaching the Easter holidays! We seem to have had a very short Spring term, but as always there have been lots of exciting things taking place, with plenty of exciting opportunities already lined up for next term. Thank you to all the children for their hard work during this term as well as to parents and carers for all your support. We wish you all the very best over the Easter holidays and we look forward to welcoming you all back in a couple of weeks for the start of the summer term.

### Parent & Carer Community Coffee morning

Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for our community coffee morning on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March. We were overwhelmed with the turnout. It was a great opportunity for everyone to meet and talk to various members of the local community such as Middleport Matters, Community Grocery, the Port Vale Foundation as well as family advisors. We had such positive feedback from the event, and we will certainly be hosting another one of these very soon.



### World Book Day

The children had a fantastic day in school celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. It was great to see the children dressed up to follow the theme of 'Where the Wild Things Are', and they had great fun making masks throughout the day to celebrate the theme.



### Reception Easter Egg Hunt

Our Reception classes have had fantastic time this week taking part in an Easter egg hunt around school. Take a look at some of our successful egg hunters!



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### Staffing News

We will unfortunately be saying farewell to a couple of members of staff at the end of this term. Miss Evans will be leaving us to take up a new post in one of our other Trust schools, and Mrs Pattinson will be leaving us to start her maternity leave. We wish them both the very best in their exciting times ahead. In the meantime, we welcome back Mrs Bloor who will be taking over from Mrs Pattinson as class teacher in Reception.

### School Play Equipment

We would like to politely remind parents and carers that children should not be playing ball games on the yard or playing on the play equipment before school. Please also note that scooters and bikes should also not be used on the playground at any time. This is to ensure that there are no injuries or accidents during this time.

### Bringing children to school

Please remember that except for Year 6 children who have written permission, all children need to be brought to the school doors in the morning by an adult between 8:35am and 8:45am. Any children in Year 6 who have younger siblings in school should not be left to look after them on the school grounds until the doors open.

### Packed lunches

If you are sending your child to school with a packed lunch, please remember to send them with a healthy, balanced meal. We are starting to see quite a few lunch boxes containing lots of sweets and chocolates with very little food of nutritious value. Nutritious lunches and snacks help to provide the energy your child needs to concentrate, learn and play throughout the day. Take a look at this NHS website for some quick and easy ideas for healthy lunchbox recipes - <https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>

### Attendance for March

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>
<b>R1EP</b>	22	91.6%	<b>3DY</b>	9	97.5%
<b>R2SP</b>	30	91.4%	<b>4EP</b>	23	90.5%
<b>1AT/ZB</b>	35	93.7%	<b>4RT</b>	15	96%
<b>1MB</b>	39	91.3%	<b>5HH</b>	9	94.5%
<b>2DF</b>	20	95.4%	<b>5SB</b>	22	92.1%
<b>2TB</b>	19	94.3%	<b>6ES</b>	9	89.9%
<b>3RS</b>	27	94.4%	<b>6TG</b>	16	93.2%

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

### Diary Dates

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April – School opens for all pupils



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# Magic Maths!



Make sure you continue to boost St. Nathaniel's TT Rockstars score for our Trust competition!  
Log in at home to add extra points: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/14877>



I can add to 12.  
Find adjoining pairs of numbers that add to 12. Circle each pair. Each pair must be side by side or one above the other.



How many pairs did you find?

- 12 - Pairs - Good
- 13 - 16 Pairs - Very Good
- 17 - 20 Pairs - Fantastic
- 21 or More - Amazing

4	4	6	8	7	2	6
3	8	1	11	5	10	6
2	10	6	6	4	8	4
3	3	1	11	8	9	3
5	9	7	1	3	7	5
5	7	5	9	3	2	8
1	11	4	4	5	10	6
3	6	6	8	4	8	6
2	10	2	9	3	1	2
10	4	5	6	7	11	4
2	8	4	8	5	8	5

Can you find the total of each of the rows and columns?

▲	♣	▲	●	<input type="text"/>
♣	●	♣	▲	25
●	●	●	●	20
▲	♣	♣	▲	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	20	<input type="text"/>

### Maths Website of the Month:

Our next website is the Doodle Learning maths site. Whilst there is the opportunity to create a free family account, if you scroll down, you can select your Year group and play some of the games for free without registering.

<https://doodlelearning.com/maths-app>

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.

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