



Dear Parents/Carers

The term has once again passed by in a flash; it is already the Christmas holidays and we have packed so much into the Autumn term with visits and trips for each class, the Reception Nativity play, the Christmas Fair, Christmas meal and many more events beside. Thank you so much for supporting us with these, it is wonderful to see the whole community join together to make a difference for our children.

Last week we held our ambition week which links into our school values. As part of ambition week pupils were asked to apply for, and were interviewed for, a variety of jobs around the school. The successful applicants spent a day doing the jobs that we regularly do including a learning walk, analysing data, thinking about where staff members should teach in September and assisting with the Christmas Fair. They were wonderful and I am delighted to say that this edition of the newsletter has been written by the successful Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher candidates.

## Staffing

We say a fond farewell to Mrs Tahira today who moves on to new challenges but are delighted to announce that Mrs Crichton is our new Nursery Teacher. Mrs Crichton has a wealth of teaching experience in both Early Years and Years One and Two and already knows our nursery pupils. She will be ably supported by Miss Saboor and Miss Connolly and we look forward to our nursery going from strength to strength.



It only remains for me to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year as I pass over the reins for this edition.

## Parking

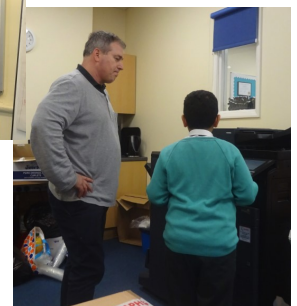
Parking has once again been an issue. Parents have been parking on the yellow lines and those yellow lines are there for children's safety. So please don't put children's life in danger and at risk. If this carries on we will be taking photographs and sending your registration number to the police.



## Ambition week

Last week was ambition week. The staff crew have been working extremely hard to make ambition week happen. In KS2, Y5 and Y6 have been writing job letters, and some lucky students have written letters, got interviewed and even got the job. Many activities were given out to students such as talking about their goals. Both KS1 and KS2 sang a song from The Greatest Showman! Many thanks to Mrs Mockbil and Mr Deering!!!

We had some fantastic visitors too to talk to us about what they do:



## Attendance



Mr Gordon is really pleased because our attendance is 96.64% since September. This is so close to our target so we really believe we can reach 97%. Missing one day of school can impact our whole attendance as a school. Please try to come to school on time every day. If you get 100% you might get to go to a trip at the end of the year!

## Uniform

Remember we expect children to come to school wearing Ark Tindal's school uniform, which is

- Grey trousers/skirt/dress
- Grey tights (no patterns)
- School jumper
- Tie (Grey and Blue)
- Blazer (Years 5 and 6)
- Normal school shirts (not polo) shirts

Jewellery continues to be an issue, as well as boots. Children should only have 1 pair of stud earrings and normal school shoes. Remember no wrap around scarves and only pull on scarves without designs on them.

We look forward to seeing you back in school on January 9<sup>th</sup> at normal time.

Liya, Liyba and Afreen – Year 6 and Ruqqayah Year 5

