

Atlas Academy Newsletter – November 2023

It was lovely to speak with so many of you at this week's Parents Evenings and to see the pride you have in how well your children are achieving in school. If you haven't yet had an opportunity to meet with your child's classteacher please do speak with them to make an appointment. By working together, we can ensure that your child continues to get the very best of their learning at our school.

Attendance

Our attendance figures continue to rise and rise. Our overall attendance figure so far this year is **94.6%** which puts us **above** the national average and the average of all Astrea schools. Thank you so much for everything you are doing to ensure that your child comes to school every day – this makes such a positive difference and means that they are getting the best opportunities to make good progress with their learning. By the end of this term we want to have an average attendance of **over 95%** so please keep up the good work!

Our October attendance figures for your child's class:

Alpha – 92%
FS1 Butterflies – 93%
FS2 Ladybirds – 94%
FS2 Fireflies – 89%
Y1 Bellatrix – 93%
Y1 Rigel – 93%
Y2 Mirfak – 96%
Y2 Polaris – 99%
Y3 Suhail – 96%
Y3 Sirius – 97%
Y4 Alnilam – 96%
Y4 Arneb – 96%
Y5 Alpheratz – 96%
Y5 Betelgeuse – 97%
Y6 Vega – 95%
Y6 Antares – 91%

Our aim is for every class to have an attendance of **95% or better**. Well done to Mirfak, Polaris, Suhail, Sirius, Alnilam, Arneb, Alpheratz, Betelgeuse and Vega for achieving this last month. Let's see even better attendance figures in November!

School Photographs

The school photographer will be in school on **Tuesday 28th November** and **Thursday 30th November** to take individual and siblings photographs. More information to follow.



Remembrance Day Merchandise To mark Remembrance Day on Saturday 11th November we will be selling a range of merchandise in school next week. The children may bring in money to buy items which will be brought to their classrooms from **next Monday** onwards.



Anti-Bullying Week; Monday 13th November – Friday 17th November

The theme of this year's anti-bullying week is 'Make a Noise About Bullying.' On **Monday 13th November** we will be asking all of our children and staff to wear odd socks to celebrate that we are all unique and to spread awareness of the importance anti-bullying messages. We will also be having a special assembly and lessons in all classrooms to help our children understand what bullying actually means

and what we can all do together to stop it from taking place.



Children in Need Day – Friday 17th November

We will be marking Children in Need Day on Friday 17th November by inviting all of our children and staff to wear their own clothes in return for a donation of £1.

**Important dates for the diary
November**

- Monday 13th – Odd Socks Day
- Friday 17th – Children in Need (non-school uniform with £1 donation)
- Tuesday 21st – SEND Coffee Afternoon, 2:30pm
- Friday 24th – INSET Day, school **CLOSED** to children
- Tuesday 28th and Thursday 30th – School Photographs

December

- Wednesday 13th and Wednesday 20th – trips to the Pantomime at Cast Theatre
- W/B Monday 18th – Christmas Performances – more information to follow
- Thursday 21st – Christmas Party Lunch
- Friday 22nd – End of Term

January

- Monday 8th – Start of Spring Term

Thank you for your continued support. It is greatly appreciated by all of us.

**Peter Sturgess
Principal**