



# Aston Academy

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Dear Y7 Parents/Carers,

As another fantastic week for Year 7 draws to a close I am pleased to give you a brief Friday update. Today's assembly was led by our Principal, Mr Graham, on the theme of 'thinking BIG.' He encouraged Year 7 to hold the highest ambitions for themselves and others - striving to be the best, healthiest, happiest versions of themselves. Ask your child about the 'flea' experiment he discussed, and how this fits into our core value of **ambition**.

## **Meet the Tutor/Y7 Information Event - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November**

Thank you for letting us know if you require **one or two** seats in Monday's event. Gates will be open from 5.15pm for a 5.30pm start in the hall. The event will finish by 6.30pm.

## **Y7 Attendance**

We are delighted that Y7 attendance is still top of the tree in a challenging week with snow, very cold weather and a few nasty bugs going around. Thank you for informing us quickly each morning in the event that your child is too ill to attend school - and well done especially to those students who dig deep and show resilience when they are feeling 'a bit under the weather.' Very often if it is a cough or a cold, children feel much better when they are at school with friends and learning.

## **Snowflake Fayre**

Aston Academy is a kind and caring community and our fundraising efforts are truly incredible. **On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December** we will be holding our **annual Snowflake Fayre** in school. Classes are escorted down to the Fayre for an organised time slot during the school day and there are treats and activities to take part in as well as a fantastic range of stocking filler gifts at pocket-money prices. It would be great if pupils could bring a bit of spare change to school on that day to enable them to contribute to the fundraising. We aim to smash our target of £5000 for the Sheffield Children's Hospital - an establishment many of us know well!

## **Children In Need 2024**

...and to confirm that our year group are a generous and caring group of young people, in just one day we raised £400 for the Children In Need appeal. Special thanks to our amazing 6th form students for their leadership and enthusiasm in organising the day, and thank you to Y7 who led the way in donations.



Resilience    Pride    Respect    Ambition    Responsibility

**Be Exceptional**

### **Safety in changing rooms**

Please can we remind our Y7 children to be considerate to others at all times and remember that aerosols should not be brought into school. If pupils wish to use deodorant then this should be roll-on or 'stick' form - not body spray. Aerosols can irritate the coughs/allergies of other people and will be confiscated if brought into school.

### **Jump Rope Challenge**

We found a non-icy corner of the yard to practice our skipping skills today - well done **Aoife** on an impressive time of 3.02!

### **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

Please be reminded that school will be closed to pupils on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024. We will be open as normal from the following Monday.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Kilgannon  
**Assistant Vice Principal**  
**Aston Academy**