



## **AUTUMN TERM 2: NEWSLETTER 2: 21<sup>st</sup> November 2014**

Dear Parents/Carers

How quickly this half term is going! We can hardly believe it is almost December. Now the weather is becoming wintery please make sure your child has warm clothing for playtimes. We endeavour to get the children out in the fresh air whenever possible. Thank you.

Please remember that you can find information about the school on our website:

[www.havercroftacademy.org](http://www.havercroftacademy.org)

### **A MESSAGE FROM MRS BUTEL**

Well Done! Well done to all the children on their good behaviour in classrooms and about the Academy. I have been particularly impressed with how well mannered and polite the children are, opening doors and greeting visitors. In the breakfast club on Monday I was delighted to see the older children helping the younger ones and everyone getting on with their breakfast independently and without a fuss. Thank you to all the members of staff who are helping with the breakfast club and making it a success.

### **STAFFING**

We are pleased to let you know that Mrs Lownes will be working alongside Mr Williams as Co-Head, with responsibility for Teaching and Learning. The Trust recognises the very good work that Mr Williams has done over the past year, particularly in respect of improving behaviour and other aspects of pastoral care and want him to continue this responsibility as Co-Head. I am confident that this additional staffing will serve to further enhance the improvements already made at Havercroft Academy. Mrs Lownes has joined Havercroft after 4 Years experience as Deputy Head, most recently at West End Academy.

### **CHILDREN IN NEED**

Thank you to everyone who donated to this very worthwhile charity. The final total was £379. Well done



## BEHAVIOUR POLICY

We are in the process of developing a new behaviour policy based around our Golden Rules. An emphasis will be placed on incentives for following the Golden Rules and, when required, the use of agreed sanctions.

We will continue with house points but, in addition, each class will keep a house point tally chart for each child in the class. The children will then be able to earn a bronze, silver and gold badge to wear on their school uniform.

House points are awarded for outstanding behaviour, full engagement in learning, listening to the teacher and others, showing outstanding attitudes, trying hard with their work, contributing to discussions etc. Points are also awarded for outstanding work during lessons.

In Friday's assembly 'Positive Leaves' will be presented to individual pupils for achievements during the week. These will be displayed on the Rainbow Reward Tree in the hall corridor throughout the school year. Further rewards such as a 'termly treat' for those pupils who consistently remain on green are also in consideration.

## BREAKFAST CLUB

Please remember our FREE breakfast club runs every day from 8.15a.m to 8.45a.m (8.55 for walking bus children). There is a choice of porridge, bagels or cereals which are all proving to be very popular. After breakfast the children can take part in a range of activities. Breakfast club runs as a drop-in service, children can come any morning, you don't have to book.

If you are coming to read with your child you can also have a free breakfast. We look forward to seeing you.



## PARENTS EVENING

Thank you to all the parents who came to Parents Evening last week. We are pleased to say 20% more parents attended than at this time last year. It was pleasing to hear that many of you were impressed with your child's work. For parents who didn't attend, you can still make an appointment to see your child's class teacher or arrange a time for a telephone consultation. Please contact the main office if you wish to do this.