



# SKEGBY JUNIOR ACADEMY

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Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a good half term and enjoyed some quality family time, making lots of memories. It has been a pleasure to welcome the children back after the break and see them return to their learning.

## **Odd Sock Day**

Next Week is Anti-Bullying Week; Miss Nagelsztajn will be talking to the children about this in assembly and launching this year's Kindness Crew. On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November we would like all children to come to school wearing odd socks so we can raise awareness and celebrate how different and unique each and everyone of us is!

## **Children in Need**

Once again, we will be supporting Children in Need, on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November. We will be having a non-uniform day; our School Council have voted for a Rainbow Day. They would like everyone to wear bright colours (spots, stripes or as many different colours as possible) and make a donation to this worthwhile charity. Thank you for your support.

## **School Photographs**

The photographer will be in school on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, to take individual photographs and any sibling groups for children within our Academy. If you have younger or older children and you would like a group photograph, please come to the fire door at the back of the hall between 8.00am and 8.30am

## **Aspirations Day**

As part of our Careers Education Programme, we will be holding an Aspirations Day again this year. It will be on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November. Throughout the day we will be asking the children to focus on the career they would like to follow when they are older. There will be opportunities for the children to explain why they would like to follow a particular career path and what skills they think they will need. This year we will also be focusing on "green" jobs and looking at career paths that support the environment.

To make the day more purposeful we would like the children to come dressed as the person they want to be when they are older. For example, they may come dressed as a police officer or a nurse or they may wear more formal clothes, if they would like to work in a bank or an office.

Please take a few moments to discuss the above with your child, in preparation for the day.

## **Parent Survey**

I would like to thank everyone who completed the recent parent survey, focusing on communication with the Academy. It was reassuring to see so many positive comments and it is good to know that parents feel they can approach the appropriate member of staff when needed.

## **Year 2 Parents' Open Evening**

On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November, we will be holding an Open Evening for parents of children in year 2 who are interested in a place at our Academy in September. The evening will begin at 4pm with a presentation from myself, followed by a guided tour of the Academy by Pupil Ambassadors. The tour and presentation should last around 45 minutes.



## Diary Dates

**w/c 15<sup>th</sup> November** – Anti-Bullying Week

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November** – Odd Sock Day

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November** – Open Evening for Year 2 parents

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November** – Children in Need

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** – School photographs

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November** – Aspirations Day

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November** – Flu vaccination

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December** – Christmas Fair (details to follow)

**w/c 6<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Dinner (details to follow)

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper Day (details to follow)

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Party

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – The Academy closes for Christmas

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January** – The Academy re-opens for the Spring Term

I hope you all have a lovely weekend. Stay safe and take care of your loved ones. I look forward to seeing the children on Monday.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Marples.  
Principal.