



NEWSLETTER

A message from the



PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

The last couple of weeks have been really busy in our academy and a lot of work that has been taking place over many months behind the scenes has started to come to fruition.

You may have seen the wall art that we have had installed. This has been carefully designed to reflect our curriculum and support children's learning by reinforcing what is taught in lessons—far more than just decoration!

In addition, we have now almost finished the reading area outside the Library. This project has taken

a while, being added to slowly, but has transformed a dull, unused area into a pretty, usable space. We hope you enjoy it!

Over the next few months you will see more areas being improved and more spaces being transformed. We have lots of plans and hope that you will like the forthcoming changes.

Mr T Garner

Principal

Dates for Your

DIARY

Friday 20th March

INSET Day—Academy Closed to Pupils

Monday 23rd March

9am—Parents invited to watch Phonics sessions

3:30pm—Reception & KS1 Parent's Evening

Wednesday 25th March

3.30pm —KS2 Parent's Evening

Friday 27th March

3:20pm—Academy Closes for Easter Holidays

Monday 13th April

Academy re-opens to ALL pupils.

Tuesday 14th April

Parent Session—Maths Scrapbooks (Years 3—5)



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance year to date is 95.2%. We are in a strong place. We are in a good place so thank you to all parents and children but we need to keep reaching for 97% and more. This enables children to really thrive in their learning by attending every day school is open.

Important fact that if a child misses 19 or more school days they are classed as a persistently absent child. This has implications for both a child's learning and a financial impact on you as a family as you are at risk of fine/prosecution. Taking holidays or extended periods of leave all add up to this.

Please refrain from doing this during school term times.

ADMISSIONS

We have limited spaces still available in our Nursery and Reception please see the school office for an application form.



Safeguarding

This weeks focus:

Anti-Bullying and the use of mobiles



Spotlight on: Bullying

Learning to understand and manage conflict is an important part of growing up. Bullying is not simply a 'falling out' with friends. To ensure we are able to prevent bullying, act quickly when it takes place and avoid misidentifying bullying, it is vital that we have a shared definition of bullying.

At Caldmore we define bullying as 'The repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. Bullying can be physical, verbal or psychological. It can happen face-to-face or online'.

Bullying behaviour can be:

- Physical – pushing, poking, kicking, hitting, biting, pinching etc.
- Verbal - name calling, sarcasm, spreading rumours, threats, teasing, belittling.
- Emotional – isolating others, tormenting, hiding books, threatening gestures, ridicule, humiliation, intimidating, excluding, manipulation and coercion.
- Sexual – unwanted physical contact, inappropriate touching, abusive comments, homophobic abuse, exposure to inappropriate films etc.
- Online /cyber – posting on social media, sharing photos, sending nasty text messages, social exclusion
- Indirect - Can include the exploitation of individuals.

Please can you support us in school by making sure that you are not on your mobile phone on school grounds either inside or outside of the building. This is for Safeguarding reasons. Thank you for your support.



Old Uniform

Do you have any good quality pieces of uniform that your child has grown out of?

If so, please consider donating it to us so that we can share it with those who are in need.

We have had a high demand for uniform and have used up all of the stock that we had.

If you have anything that might be useful to someone else, please drop it off at the school office or hand it to a member of staff on the gate.

Nursery Places

If you or someone you may know has a child who is 3 years old or will be before 31st March 2026 please collect an application form from our school office as we have some more afternoon spaces available in April.

For children who will be 3 years old between 1st April 2026 and 31st August 2026, we have Nursery places available for September. Please ask at the School office for an application form.

Uniform Suppliers

School uniform can be purchased from:

Crested Schoolwear in Walsall Or
My Clothing Online —
<https://myclothing.com/collections/caldmore-primary-academy-29916>

We also have pre-loved uniform available in the reception area for you to come and take. If you would like to make a donation, it will be gratefully received, but not essential.

If you do need help with uniform, but do not want to take from the reception area, we now have a form you can complete to request uniform. When we receive your request, we will package up your request in a normal carrier bag and hand this to you discretely to avoid any embarrassment.

You can request uniform here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/eG04iCEDGp>

Caldmore Primary Academy

Uniform

- White polo shirt
- Grey trousers, skirt, shorts or pinafore
- Red jumper or cardigan
- Smart black shoes
- Plain red, white or black headscarf

NO hoop earrings, big hair accessories or extreme haircuts

Dojo Rewards



A big WELL DONE to all of the children from across the school who were our Rainbow and Gold Dojo reward children last half term.

The prize last half term was a Dojo Rewards Tea Party, complete with cakes, biscuits and even squash served from tea pots!

At the end of this term the next Dojo Rewards event will take place—and it will be Easter themed!



Academy Library

We would like to remind all parents that the Academy Library is open after school every Wednesday and Friday for you to visit with your child.

You can spend time sharing books together, reading together (we have books in different languages) and browsing what we have.

Please queue up at the side entrance once you have collected your child and staff will welcome you in as soon as they are able to.



Outdoor Area

We are continuing to improve the area directly outside the library so that when you visit the library on a Wednesday and Friday, there is a warm welcome and somewhere nice to sit as the weather improves. We're not quite finished yet, but here is the latest instalment!



Club Timetable - Spring 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
After School	Art & Crafts		Netball	Sewing	Reading
	Cultural Dance	Boys' Football	Baking/Cooking (KS2)	Baking/Cooking (KS1)	Girls' Football
	YogaBugs		Gardening	Archery (KS2)	Cricket
	Board Games				LIBRARY OPEN

Please help us by collecting your child on time every day after school. Your children have been here all day and are looking forward to seeing you!

ACADEMY RULES

READY, RESPECTFUL AND SAFE.

Will you be our next Star of the Week?!



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