



Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh

Attendance

Attendance Year 7	SEVA Target	Attendance	Authorised Absence	Unauthorised Absence
September - March	98%	97.6%	1.6%	0.6%
Week beg 14 th March	98%	96%	3.1%	0.9%

Doddle Evening

Thank you to those parents who attended the evening on Tuesday. It was good to meet you all and share our vision and aspirations for your children. I was immensely proud of the staff and the students they are all accredit to Seva School

23 families were represented (42%) and the feedback from the cards was 100% positive.

Epraise

February Frenzy. Arshdeep Mander won the prize draw for those gaining the most points in February. Prizes will be presented in Assembly next week.

The following offers are currently on 'epraise' to encourage students to sign up for challenges in a range of curriculum areas:

- Mini project researching ultrasound
- Jabberwocky translation task
- Larmack and Darwin's theory of evolution

1:1 Tutorials

These will begin in the Summer Term and your child's time will be in their planner. Please take the opportunity to go through the folder with your child to help them prepare well for the 15 minute session.

Year 7 End of Year Exams

These will take place in the week beginning 20th June and they will be spread over the week. It is anticipated they will sit 9 exams during this period.

This is a very important part of preparing the students for the new GCSE exams they will sit in KS4. The new style linear exams have no controlled assessment for the majority of subjects. It is important that our students learn revision skills and are able to consolidate their learning. In support of this, we will run a parents' session in the summer term to give practical tips for helping your child revise.

Easter Egg Donation

Following the success at Christmas with our students donating to the *Coventry Food Bank*, I am asking all students to donate an Easter egg to the food bank. This will allow an Easter egg to be added to the basics supplied to families. A really nice surprise for many children who may not otherwise receive one.

Seva Studies

I am honest. I can be trusted to keep my word. I admit my mistakes. I tell the truth, kindly and tactfully. I have no need to impress others. I accept myself as I am.

ei hu man saach sa(n)thokhiaa nadhar karae this maahi ||

One whose mind is contented with Truthfulness, is blessed with the Lord's Glance of Grace.

Thought of the week 'Honesty is the first chapter in the book of wisdom'.

This term the focus in Seva Studies has been on how we can lead an honest life. Children have looked at the qualities of an honest person and the challenges they can face when trying to be honest. They have considered why it is important to be honest, what the consequences of not being honest are and what the qualities of an honest person are.

In collective worship we have looked at several stories from the lives of the Gurus. The story of Bhai Lalo reinforced the concept of earning an honest living.

Guru Nanak Dev Ji's story of his travels and the many villages he visited. Guru Nanak found some villages had dishonesty and Guru Ji had asked the villagers to remain in this village and be happy. The next village the people were honest and Guru Ji had asked the people to go and live in other villages. Children were asked to think about what type of village they would like to live in and why.

The story of Guru Gobind Singh Ji and Bhai Laal Singh was shared where Bhai Laal Singh presented him with a dhaal (shield). This again reinforced the values of honesty and remaining humble.

- 1) So great is our Guru. Guru Sahib himself accepted the defeat by not penetrating the dhal (shield) but protected the honour of his Sikh. Why should we leave such great Guru and get indulged in
Maaiya (Possessions)?
- 2) Never talk egotistically
- 3) Guru does not consider our shortcomings and weaknesses when we do ardaas. He ignores our shortcomings and accepts ardaas that is done with faith.

The key focus being children thinking about their actions and trying their best in everything they do.

Vaisakhi

Four of our student leadership team are working with Mrs Khalsa in preparation for Vaisakhi. They have been asking the year group for ideas about what they could do in the assembly on the 18th April and have presented these thoughts to Mrs Khalsa.

Seva School will also be celebrating Vaisakhi by joining in the Nagar Kirtan on 24th April. More information about this will be available nearer the time.

Surface Notebooks

It is hoped these will be delivered soon after Easter. Once they arrive in school IT lessons will be dedicated to helping students to get the best from them to support their learning.

Astronaut Visit

On the 19th April we are lucky to have secured a visit from Dr Michael Foale CBE the famous astronaut. He is coming into school to talk to our pupils. This will be a unique opportunity that will inspire and motivate our students.

In preparation a range of homework will be set over Easter on a space theme. Some assignments will be set on Doodle and some extended writing will be set in English. Please encourage and help your children to complete this over the holiday. If you are looking for a family day out, a visit to the Space Centre in Leicester might be an option.

Queen's 90th Birthday Celebration

Students at Seva School will be involved in celebrating this momentous event. Leading up to the 21st April year 7 will be embarking on an Art project with 'Monarchy' as the theme.

New books

50 books have been purchased ranging from popular teenage authors such as J.K Rowling, Malorie Blackman and Michael Morpurgo to classic writers such as Arthur Conan Doyle, Kenneth Graham and Mark Twain. The books are in N39 and students will be using them during their enrichment hour of reading they do each week.

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 23 rd March	Easter Assembly for students
Thursday 24 th March	Easter Egg Donation for Coventry Food Bank
Thursday 24 th March	End of term
<i>Easter holidays</i>	
Monday 11 th April	Teacher Training Day (students not in school)
Tuesday 12 th April	Students return to school
Monday 18 th April	Vaisakhi Celebration Assembly
Tuesday 19 th April	Astronaut Visit Dr Michael Foale CBE
Thursday 21 st April	Queen's 90 th Birthday Celebration
Sunday 24 th April	Nagar Kirtan
Monday 20 th June	Year 7 Exams (all week)

From the students

- Year 7 received 50 brand new books which we can all enjoy reading during our enrichment time.
- Student leaders welcomed a range of visitors to the school including secondary heads, prospective candidates for teaching posts that will begin in September.
- The Head Boy and Head Girl along with the Deputy Head Boy and Girl shared their ideas with Mrs Khalsa about what year 7 can do for the Vaisakhi celebrations.
- We had an assembly about St Patrick which was celebrated this week.

And finally...

May we take this opportunity to thank you for your support in what has been a very busy and exciting term. We wish you all a peaceful holiday and look forward to seeing you in the summer term.