

Isaac Newton Academy

Parent Information Evening

2nd May 2018

Welcome to our new Reception pupils and parents!



Our core purpose

- At Isaac Newton Academy our aim is to equip every child with the knowledge, learning power and character necessary for success at university and beyond

The School Day

- **8.25** The gate is opened by the staff
- **8.45** Pupils line up in the courtyard area
- **8.45** Registration (including morning activities)
- **9.00** Assembly time on Mondays
- **9.15** Phonics lesson
- **10.00** Morning Break
- **10.15** English lesson
- **11.00** Fruit and Talk time
- **11.15** Maths Mastery
- **12.00** Story-time
- **12.15** Lunch
- **1.15** Afternoon registration
- **1.20** Maths Meeting
- **1.35 – 3.15** Lessons including Topics and Themed Learning (e.g. Music, PE, RE, Drama, Independent Learning Time)
- **3.15** Handwriting (Assembly time on Fridays)
- **3.45** Home Time

School closes early every Tuesday at 3.00pm and no enrichment clubs run of this day.

The Reception Curriculum – Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

The curriculum will provide every child the opportunity to develop the following skills:

- Communication and language
- Physical development
- Personal, social and emotional development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- The world
- Expressive arts and design

The Reception Curriculum

- Literacy daily
- Phonics daily – Read Write Inc.
- Maths daily – Maths Mastery (Concrete, Pictorial, Abstract)
- Fine Motor Skills Development Daily – Handwriting Practice
- Themed Topic Based lessons
- Music, RE, PE, PSHE, Drama
- Story time daily

BRIDGES

Dispositions and Characteristics



B = Bravery

R = Resourcefulness

I = Integrity

D = Discovery

G = Grit

E = Emotional Intelligence

S = Self Discipline

“We build too many walls
and not enough bridges”



BRIDGES at the Academy

- A BRIDGES assembly every Monday
- BRIDGES language used in lessons
- BRIDGES vocabulary around the school and in classrooms
- BRIDGES highlighted in weekly newsletters for parents to refer to and reinforce at home
- BRIDGES progress recognised in Friday assemblies
- A shared language with the secondary staff and pupils

Home Visits

- 30 minute appointments (please fill in the forms prior to your visit)
- An opportunity to get to know each child
- Discussing progress and achievements from pre-school or home
- Completing Primary Admission Form
- Discussing Parent/Carer Handbook (Policies & Procedures)
- Answering any questions
- Giving details of the first day of term – Thursday 6th September (Meet the teacher)

Home-Academy Agreement

STUDENT NAME:

| The Academy's Responsibilities | Parents'/Carers' Responsibilities | Student Responsibilities |
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| <p>Staff at INA will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have the highest expectations of each student in terms of attainment, progress, and behaviour • ensure that students experience outstanding teaching and learning and that they are actively engaged in their learning • support students in developing their BRIDGES learning dispositions and characteristics • develop in students a love of learning • monitor students' progress and put interventions in place, if required • mark students' books at least once every two weeks • return your calls promptly, within 24 hours on school days • provide enrichment activities after school • provide regular updates on your child's progress • praise and recognise students' achievement and progress • get to know each student as an individual • enforce the Code of Conduct fairly and consistently • keep students in same day detention for failure to comply with the INA Code of Conduct and other Academy expectations | <p>I/we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensure my/our child attends school every day and is on time • in cases of genuine illness, telephone the school by 8.15am on the first day of absence and every day thereafter • not book appointments or holidays in term time • ensure that my/our child is correctly dressed in INAP uniform each day • ensure my/our child comes to school with the necessary equipment and books • talk to my/our child about his/her home learning and encourage him/her to complete it to a high standard • ensure my/our child reads every day • discuss the book my/our child is currently reading with him/her • ensure that my/our child attends one enrichment activity each week • attend all relevant parents/carers' meetings and events • participate, where possible, in class activities and off-site visits • contact INAP to discuss any issues that may be affecting my/our child's learning or behaviour • support all the INAP policies including the Equal Opportunities Policy and the Positive Behaviour for Learning Policy • support the dining vision and pay the daily meal charge in advance for meals (unless eligible for FSM or Universal FSM) • pay for any pre or after school club costs in advance • ensure that my WisePAY account remains in credit | <p>I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • attend INAP every day and on time • be ready to learn • wear the INAP uniform correctly and bring the equipment I need for learning each day • complete all learning activities and tasks to the highest standard • strive to achieve my best in all that I do and challenge myself to improve • work hard to develop my BRIDGES learning dispositions and characteristics • complete my home learning on time and to the highest standard • read every day • participate actively in one enrichment activity each week • follow INAP's Code of Conduct at all times • respect INAP's environment and buildings • observe all INAP rules and treat adults and other students with respect • accept the authority of staff • not bring any banned items into school • report any bullying immediately • support INAP's Equal Opportunities' Policy • behave responsibly and safely on the way to and from INA |
| <p>On behalf of Isaac Newton Academy</p> <p>Name:</p> <p>Signed: May 2017</p> | <p>I have read and agree to all the areas included within the parent handbook</p> <p>Name (please print):</p> <p>Signed: (Parent/Carer) on behalf of myself/both parents (Delete as appropriate)</p> | <p>Name (please print):</p> <p>Signed: (Student)</p> |

Family Dining at Isaac Newton Academy

- Every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 is entitled to a free school meal every day
- Everyone eats lunch together, in the dining hall
- No one goes home for dinner
- Lunch is freshly cooked and prepared on site daily
- Vegetarian, halal and non-halal options are available every day
- A free piece of fruit or a vegetable is available every day
- No food or drink from home

Uniform

Items which must be purchased from Khalsa Schoolwear:

- Blazer, jumper/cardigan, tie, PE kit, book bag

Items which are optional:

- Winter hat, rain jacket

Items which may be purchased from the high street:

- White shirts/blouses, grey trousers/skirts, socks & black shoes.
- **Every item of clothing must be clearly labelled**
- **Day to purchase uniform on Tuesday 24th July 10am-1pm at INA Secondary**

Cashless Wisepay System at Isaac Newton Academy

- Payment for trips
- Payments for Breakfast and Afterschool Club
- Payment for tickets (for performances etc.)

Essential Items

These are essential items that must be brought to school every day.

- A plastic water bottle – labelled with your child's name
- Book bag or back pack
- Reading book and reading record (from January)
- **A spare change of clothing**



Key Dates

Uniform Purchase Day: Tuesday 24th July 10-1pm

Meet the Teacher: Thursday 6th September (1 hour visit - times tbc)

Children Start School: Friday 7th September (2 hours including lunch)

First Full Day: Monday 10th September