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Our Children, Our Community, Believe it can be done!

Headteacher's 'Thought for the week'

Truth - Hand of.

The nimble lie is like the second hand upon the clock;
We see it fly: while the hour hand of truth Seems to
stand still, and yet it moves unseen, And wins at last, for
the clock will not strike Till it had reached its goal.

H.W. Longfellow

Living the Broadway values

In a world where everything is about consumption, targets, self - advancement and materialism, we often forget our true nature - that of community and support. This country has long prided itself on society's ability to offer help to those in need, to make sacrifices to help others and try to live a good life.

At the heart of the Broadway community are our shared core values and this is what enables us to be the best that we can be in everything that we do to make this world a better place for all. This has been affirmed in our most recent OFSTED report:

'Your work with the local community and with different faith groups ensures pupils have a sound understanding of different traditions, beliefs and values... pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural understanding and appreciation is a strength of the school.'

Well, how do we do this? The answer is quite simple - we live the Broadway Values of 'Integrity, Respect, Optimism, Responsibility, Appreciation, Aspiration, Generosity and Inclusivity.'

The Academy prides itself in providing a range of opportunities for all of our pupils to gain a better understanding and appreciation of people from other faiths and backgrounds. Our young people are encouraged to explore the commonalities between all faiths and religions. We do this, partly, by working with faith based organisations such as FEAST, SACRE and Birmingham City Mission.

We have a planned programme of collective worship which actively encourages and promotes respect for all faiths. An example of this is the theme based assemblies delivered by Birmingham City Mission who have been regular visitors to the Academy. At the end of the Autumn term they delivered an assembly linked to our core value of Generosity and the idea of giving at Christmas.

Next week we will have Easter themed assemblies delivered by BCM and the Gideons organisation who will make available copies of the Bible free of charge to those who wish to have one.

At Easter time Christians remember the last week of Jesus' life, or 'Holy Week'. It signals the end of Lent, the traditional time of fasting in the Christian calendar, Easter Sunday brings the opportunity to reflect on the importance of religion in modern Britain. Although it is beset with challenges, faith remains one of the building blocks of a healthy society - providing us with the values that we need to get along with each other. Perhaps its greatest quality is that it challenges us to be better people.

Whether we are Christians or not, everybody would benefit from meditating on the meaning of Easter, when a good man gave his life for others. The miracle lies not just in the belief that he rose from the dead afterwards, but also in the fact that he was prepared to suffer on a cross purely out of love. We would all do well to consider the wonder of self-sacrifice and selfless giving - values key to building a healthier, happier society.

Visit from local poet Spoz

On Friday 26th February year 10 were extremely lucky to work with a local poet Spoz. The aim of the session was to bring poetry to life and to generate enthusiasm and excitement for this subject. I am sure many of those who took part would agree that their opinion of poetry has been changed by such a wonderful workshop. It was a very successful day enjoyed by all who took part.



ASPIRATIONAL

WHAT DOES ASPIRATIONAL MEAN?

If you describe someone as 'aspirational' you mean that they have strong ambitions and hopes of being successful or wanting to 'better' themselves. This can be a better education, a better job, a better lifestyle or a better social status.

Social science research shows there are three key parts to the process of being

Aspirational — 1] BELIEVE 2] DO 3] THINK
You need:

- the 'BELIEVE' of childhood
- the 'DO' of youth
- and the 'THINK' of experience

At the most basic level, to reach for an aspirational goal you have to:

- BELIEVE in yourself and have the courage and confidence to move forward.
- then you need to DO something, to take action - it has to be thoughtful and focused.
- you need to THINK through a past experience and the knowledge of others — the knowledge we find in books, the internet, and the knowledge of people such as teachers, parents / elders, mentors and your role models.

BEING ASPIRATIONAL— for each aspiration you may have:

BELIEVE—I know I can achieve my goal because...

THINK—I have the plan to achieve my goal...

DO—I will take these actions to achieve my goal...

THIS WEEK'S GOLDEN WORDS

The most certain way to succeed is to try just one more time.

THOMAS EDISON

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Year 10 extend their lead at the top

The year 10 football team extended their lead at the summit of the Aston Football league to five points, with an action-packed victory over local rivals Aston Manor. The team are now unbeaten since November and started brightly in their bid to open up a gap between themselves and second place Hamstead Hall. In front of a packed home crowd, which provided great support, Zayd and Havid scored a goal each in the first half, to give Broadway a 2-1 lead at half time. Broadway then won and missed a penalty, only for Aston Manor to reply with their own penalty. At 2-2, Havid scored another, only to be pegged back again when Aston Manor scored on the break. After that, Broadway pulled away thanks to Farhaan who netted his first of the game and then set up Havid for his hat-trick, in what was an incredible goal and easily the best of the season, despite it being one of a massive 43 that the year team have scored this year!! The manager then went to five at the back as Mahir enjoyed a successful debut and Bayo and Hassan came off the bench to clear two efforts off the line late on. This great performance now caps off their Leicester-esque season in which they went from second-bottom in the league last year, to sitting five points clear at the top with three weeks to go. The team must now sit tight and see how Hamstead Hall and St John Wall get on in their last two fixtures.





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PERSONALISED TRAINING

SMALL NUMBERS ALLOW FOR A MORE FLEXIBLE, PERSONALISED APPROACH TO YOUR TEACHING





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The Joys Of Giving

Last Saturday, five brave Broadway students generously gave up their afternoon to help make a positive difference in their community by supporting the Aston and Nechells Foodbank Collections. It is easy to form negative perceptions of others when we don't know their circumstances so we spent a bit of time talking about the reasons why some people may need to use a food bank, and also exploring the type of different people we'd be likely to meet as we work with the public; thinking about the different reasons why some may donate and some won't. After that we took a short walk to Tesco on Aston Lane where the action began! A few hours and hundreds of leaflets and customers later we sought warmth and comfort in The Café, munching on a good old All Day Breakfast and discussing our day.

"It was definitely a new experience as I have never helped a charity before which was amazing. It was difficult approaching the people to hand out the shopping lists but knowing I was helping local people in need helped me to keep going. I learned not to judge people - some of them were really nice despite their facial expressions. It feels amazing knowing I've made a difference as it made me realise not to take anything for granted - and we've definitely put smiles on people's faces!"

Jemima B. yr 11

"I enjoyed improving my ability in talking to the public and encouraging them to donate. It was hard when some shoppers ignored me but I kept smiling and making eye contact. When people ignore you, you think it's because they're selfish but actually it can be because they have their own problems"

Ripa B. yr 8

"It was nice seeing how generous members of the general public can be. I was able to see how some people do try and get involved and help people in need when they can. It makes me feel good about myself and gives me a sense of positivity knowing I've spent my time wisely."

Aaliyah U. yr 12

"Today challenged me not to just judge people by the way they look. When people walked by when I was talking to them I just remembered that I was helping people and making a difference in the world and carried on. I really enjoyed talking to different people and I'm happy knowing I've made a difference today."

Zeeshan H. yr 8

"I found being by the doors difficult because it was cold and windy but I enjoyed gathering the food for the food bank. I feel excited and happy that my help today means people will get something that they need more than us!"

Hamza Munir yr 8

So, do you think you have what it takes to get involved next time? If so, see Miss Griffith from The Feast to sign up for our next opportunity to help on Saturday 16th April!



Spring Showcase

Tuesday 22nd March 2016

6.30pm - Drama Studio 2

Refreshments available before and after the Showcase

Come and listen to a variety of
musical performances performed
by students at Broadway Academy

Tickets

£3 per adult

£2 per child

	Lunchtime			After School		
Monday	Boxing	Fitness Suite	Coach - Sean	Y10 & Y11 Football	Astro	Mr Robbins
	Badminton	Sports Hall	Mis Taylor	Girls Fitness	Fitness Suite	Miss Bolton
	Cricket	Gym	Mr French	Girls Multi-sports	Gym	Mrs Webb
				Table-Tennis	Sports Hall	Mr Mitford
Tuesday	Y11 Football	Sports Hall	Mr Taylor	Y7 Football	Astro	Mr Khan
	Boxing	Fitness Suite	Coach - Sean	Badminton	Sports Hall	Mr French
	Y8 Football	Gym	Mr Khan	Girls Fitness	Fitness Suite	Miss Bolton
				Karate	Gym	Coach
Wednesday	Girls Basketball	Gym	Miss Taylor	6th form Football	Astro	Mr Taylor
	Y10 Football	Sports Hall	Mr Taylor	Rising Stars Football	Astro	Mr Taylor
	Boxing	Fitness Suite	Coach - Sean	Boys Fitness	Fitness Suite	Mr Khan
Thursday	Y8 Cricket	Gym	Mr Robbins	Tennis	Sports Hall	Miss Taylor
	Boxing	Fitness Suite	Coach - Sean	Boys Fitness	Fitness Suite	Mr Khan
	Y11 Football	Sports Hall	Mr Taylor	Yr9 Football	Astro	Mr French
Friday	Girls Football	Gym	Miss Taylor	Girls Football	Astro	Miss Taylor
	Boxing	Fitness Suite	Coach - Sean	Girls Fitness	Fitness Suite	Mr Khan
	Friday Prayers Sports Hall			Table- Tennis	Gym	Mr Robbins
				Judo	Drama 2	Coach
				Cricket	Sports Hall	Coach

Extra Curricular Activities - Whole School

	Lunchtime			After School		
Monday	Keyboard Club	Purple 1	12.20pm	School Play Rehearsal	Studio	Until 4.30pm
	Drama Club	Studio		Food Club	Red 4	3.05 - 4.05pm
	Maths Enrichment Club	Maths		Health and Social Care Intervention	Red 6	3.05 - 4.05pm
	DT Coursework Club KS4	Red 9	12.20pm			
	Health and Social Care Homework Club	Red 6	12.20pm			
	Computing Club	Red 1	Starting in November			
	Homework Club	Yellow 2				
Tuesday	Percussion Ensemble	Purple 1	12.20pm	School Play Rehearsal	Studio	Until 4.30pm
	KS4 Band Rehearsal	Purple 2 Practice Room	12.20pm			
	Chess Club	Maths	12.20pm			
	Art Club KS3	Red 7	12.20pm			
	DT Coursework Club KS4	Red 9	12.20pm			
	Textiles Club KS3	Red 3	12.20pm			
	Health and Social Care Homework Club	Red 6	12.20pm			
	Debating Society - 'controversial movies' Y8	Pink 5	12.40 - 1.05pm			
	Geography - Documentary club KS3	Pink 9	12.25 - 1.00pm			

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Wednesday	Orchestra	Purple 1	12.20pm	Tech / Voc Homework Club	Pink 1	3.05 - 4.05pm
	Art Club KS4	Red 7	12.20pm	ICT Intervention	Red 2	3.05 - 4.05pm
	DT Coursework Club KS4	Red 9	12.20pm	Art Intervention	Red 8	3.05 - 4.05pm
	Health and Social Care Homework Club	Red 6	12.20pm			
	Science Club	Orange 9	12.20pm			
	Literacy Games Club	English				
	Y11 art Intervention	Red 8				
Thursday	Origami Club	Maths		School Play Rehearsal	Studio	Until 4.30pm
	DT Coursework Club KS4	Red 9	12.20pm	KS4 Graphics Intervention	Red 10	3.05 - 4.05pm
	Health and Social Care Homework Club	Red 6	12.20pm	KS4 Textiles Intervention	Red 3	3.05 - 4.05pm
	SEN Art Club	Red 8				
Friday	Guitar Ensemble	Purple 1	12.20pm			
	DT Coursework Club KS4	Red 9	12.20pm			
	Health and Social Care Homework Club	Red 6	12.20pm			
	History Club	Pink 7				
	Chess Club	Orange 9				
	Catch Up Art Club - All years	Red 8				