Saxon Hill Academy

and Physical Disability Support Service

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

9th February 2017

MESSAGES FOR PARENTS/CARERS

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Headteacher

The Governors of the Academy Council and the Directors of the Shaw Education Trust are pleased to inform you that they have appointed Mrs Melsa Buxton as the new Principal of Saxon Hill Academy following Mr Thicketts' retirement in April. She will commence her new role on the 1st May 2017.

Message from Nurses

After 7 years with ourselves Aileen McMullin will be leaving us at half-term to start a new role with the Children's Learning Disability and Community Team. She would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and has really enjoyed her time here. We wish Aileen all the best with her new job.

Birmingham Children's Hospital
We would like to thank everyone who
supported us in school with our
breakfast sandwiches day and the
cake sale. We managed to raise £147.
The 14-19 emerging group have
visited the Birmingham Children's
Hospital for a tour around and have
presented them with our donation.

Fancy Dress Event 14th February 2017

On Tuesday we will be celebrating Valentine's Day with a disco and non-uniform day for a suggested donation of £2. The theme as chosen by the students is 'dress in what you love' We are raising money for a wheelchair accessible roundabout and are aiming to raise over £12,600 over the next year.

Parent Support Group Email:support@shparents.co.uk Forthcoming coffee mornings and events are as follows and will be held from 10.30am-12.30pm. 28th February 2017 **Coping and Support Workshop** Hosted by Contact-a-family 16th March 2017 Kidz to Adults Midlands Trip Ricoh Arena, Coventry Mini-bus trip from school Cost- £5 per person Both of the above events need to be booked via Cindy either by Facebook, email or telephone.

29th March 2017 26th April 2017

The support group now has its own website www.shparents.co.uk where you can find the latest news on future events and other information. You can also register on their email database where any information can be emailed directly to you.

Dates for Your Diary

14.02.17	Fancy Dress Event
20.02.17}	Half-term holiday
24.02.17	
07.03.17	Parent Support
	Singing/Signing
29.03.17	Transition Fayre
	4.30pm-6pm
07.04.17	School breaks up
	for Easter
10.04.17}	
21.04.17	Easter Holidays
01.05.17	May Day Holiday
29.05.17}	Half-Term
02.06.17	Holiday
21.07.17	School breaks up

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Parent Support Group

Inclusive Cycling

Wednesday 22 February 2017

The above event will be held in the sports hall of the Chase Leisure Centre for a charge of £4 to cover costs. For more information please contact Cindy on 07738223375 or email her directly.

Free Sports Activity Programme Monday 20th February—Friday 24th February 2017 10am-2pm

The above event is being held for disabled children and those with additional needs who would like to try something new. Places are limited to 15 children and are on a first come, first served basis. For more details or to book a place then please call 01782 600443 or contact volunteer@caudwellchildren.com

Sainsbury's Active Kids We are once again participating in the above scheme which will be running until the 2nd May 2017. Could we please remind you to pick up your vouchers when shopping at Sainsbury's. These vouchers can then be exchanged for cooking and sports equipment and experiences.

Parent Support Group
Singing and Signing
On Tuesday 7th March Jo Baker will be holding a session for parents between 10.30am-12pm.

Transition Fayre 29th March 2017 4.30pm-6pm

The above event will be held for pupils and parents/carers of Year 9 students and upwards. More information will be sent home nearer the time.

Personal Wellbeing Budget formerly known as

Carers Health Respite Break Fund
The above fund has now changed and
is not being provided by the Carers
Association anymore. It will now be
known as the Personal Wellbeing
Budget and carers need an assessment
before they are able to access it. The
carers assessment is done by one of
the Carers Hub Advisors. If you would
like an assessment then please let
Helen Bowers (Family Support Worker)
know and she can make the referral.

Free School Meals

Parents claiming some benefits could be eligible for free school meals. Even if you don't want your children to have meals, claiming enables school to get more funding! From September 2014 if you have an infant age child (those in reception, year 1 & 2) they receive free school meals even if parents don't meet the entitlement criteria and without having to complete an application form. However, for every child registered with the council as eligible under the entitlement criteria, then school will receive additional funding called Pupil Premium. Please could we ask you to apply for free school meals to enable Saxon Hill to receive the additional funding.

Applications can be made at the following website:www.staffordshire.gov.uk
and follow the free school meal link