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Subject: End of Half Term at Bilsthorpe Flying High Academy

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of this half term, I would like to extend my sincere thanks for your continued support of Bilsthorpe Flying High Academy. Since joining the school at the beginning of January, I have been truly grateful for the warm welcome from families and the wider community.

It has been a busy and rewarding Spring 1, with many positive learning experiences taking place across the school.

Our F2 children have thoroughly enjoyed their enquiry-based learning, exploring Bilsthorpe to identify key features of their local environment. A walk around the village enabled them to spot and tick off familiar landmarks such as the park, school, library and church. In Science, they demonstrated great care and responsibility while litter picking around the school grounds, learning about recycling and the importance of protecting our environment. During Forest School sessions, the children created England flags using natural materials, helping them to develop their understanding of the country in which they live. They also enjoyed baking heart-shaped biscuits to celebrate Valentine's Day, further supporting their social and cultural development.

Across Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2, pupils have engaged enthusiastically in a wide range of enriching enquiry and wider curriculum activities. In Art and Design, children have been developing their creativity by designing and planning vibrant teacup sculptures. Through careful consideration of colour, pattern and form, they are preparing final pieces to showcase at our afternoon tea event next half term. This project has encouraged pupils to refine and evaluate their ideas, strengthening both their artistic and critical thinking skills.

Year 4 took part in a virtual tour of the Ancient Egyptian collection at the British Museum to enrich their English learning. They explored a range of fascinating artefacts and developed subject-specific vocabulary to enhance their descriptive writing. In Science, pupils also joined a live lesson on Space, learning about satellites orbiting the Earth and how they function. They confidently presented their knowledge during a showcase assembly on rivers, clearly explaining the stages and features of a river and sharing facts about several well-known examples.

During the Spring term, Year 5 demonstrated impressive leadership by organising and leading a peaceful protest to raise awareness of the climate crisis. Pupils designed and created informative placards, articulating their views with maturity and a strong sense of social responsibility.

As we look ahead, I would like to remind parents that Monday 23rd February 2026 is an INSET day, and school will be closed to pupils. All children should return to school on Tuesday 24th February 2026.





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I wish you all a restful and enjoyable half term break and look forward to welcoming everyone back after the holiday.

Thank you once again for your continued support. It is a privilege to work alongside such a committed and supportive school community, and I am excited for the term ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Headteacher
Bilthorpe Flying High Academy

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Reynolds'.

Chris Reynolds
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