



Aston Fence J&I School Newsletter July 2024



Welcome to our final newsletter of this academic year. It has been another wonderful and very busy year in school with many exciting things taking place and as we near the summer holidays, I would like to thank you all for your continued support for our school. It really does mean a lot to us all! On behalf of the whole staff team, I would like to wish you all a very happy and healthy summer.

We have a lot of events planned for the final few weeks in school. Please check your inboxes for further information on Open Evening, our Charity Coffee Morning, Leavers' Assembly and our end of year disco.

Record of Achievement

We will be emailing you with your child's Record of Achievement next week so please keep an eye on your inbox for this important document.



Goodbye & Good Luck

We would like to take this opportunity to wish our wonderful Year 6s all the very best for the next chapter in their educational journey. They are a truly fantastic group of young people and we will miss each and every one of them greatly. We hope they will look back on their time at Aston Fence with pride and joy.

Warm Weather



Hopefully, the remainder of the summer term will be fine and sunny. With this in mind, we ask that parents are mindful of good sun-safety practice and that children have sun cream applied before they come to school each day.

Children can bring sun cream to school and re-apply it themselves as necessary. Staff will supervise our youngest children whilst they do this. Please note that members of staff are not permitted to apply sun cream for any of the children.



We also encourage children to wear a hat and seek shade during break times.

Water Bottles

Could we also remind parents that children are allowed water bottles in school to encourage them to drink water during the day? These bottles should be **clear and only contain water**. School water bottles are our preferred choice and can be purchased from the office for a small charge of £1.60. Thank you for your co-operation.

Book Bags

Green book bags are available to purchase from the school office at a cost of £4.50.



Sports Day

Congratulations to Ignis (red team) who were this year's winners on sports day. All of the children were absolutely fantastic and represented their teams with ability and pride. It was wonderful to welcome so many family members on the day. Thank you to all those who attended and cheered on the children; you really helped to create a positive, sporting atmosphere. Thank you also to our wonderful governors, who served the refreshments and sold raffle tickets. You helped us to raise £376.20 towards our school fund, which we are very grateful for.

Polite Notice - There have been occasions recently when parents/carers have parked their cars in the gap between the houses immediately next to the school. In terms of safety, and courtesy to the residents, could we please ask that people refrain from using this area for parking their cars?

Staffing Update

Please see the following list for details of our staffing structure from 1st September:

Class	Teacher
Foundation 2	Mrs E Hanson/Mrs R Jaouane
Year 1	Mrs R Steeple
Year 2	Miss L Rigby & Miss A Richardson
Year 3	Miss E Storey
Year 4	Mr T Crossley
Year 5	Mrs E Naidu (Assistant Headteacher)
Year 6	Mrs A Finn (Assistant Headteacher)
SENDCo	Mrs R Jaouane

Each class will also have support throughout the year from a teaching assistant.

School Meals Increase

From September 2024, the council have made the difficult decision to increase the price of school meals by 45p from £2.45 to £2.90 (£14.50 per week) for children in years 3-6. This is due to significant increases in food costs. Last year, the Council over-spent by £1.6m on the provision of the school meals service and whilst the price increase may seem large, it will not fully offset this year's shortfall which the Council will continue to fund.



Also, parents of pupils **moving into Class 3 next year** will be required to pay for their child's school meal from September. Please make sure that you have sufficient funds in your ParentPay dinner account **before** your child orders their school lunch. Please check the homepage of our website for the daily menu choices.

FSM Entitlement - You may be eligible for free school meals. If you would like to know more about the Free School Meals Entitlement service, please follow the link - <https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/benefits/free-school-meals>.

Reminder

School opens again on Tuesday 3rd September 2024 for all pupils. It is important that your children are in school from this date as they will be learning the routines of their new classroom and getting to know their new teacher. We really appreciate your co-operation and support with helping our attendance levels to remain high.



Dates for Your Diary

JULY

Thu 11	Y6 Family Learning
Mon 15-Fri 19	Y5 Bikeability
Wed 17	Open Evening 3.15-5.30pm - no appointments required
Fri 19	Macmillan Coffee Morning 9.15-11.15am
Mon 22	Y6 Leavers' Assembly 9.15am
Mon 22	End of Year Disco 5.00-6.30pm – all pupils invited
Tue 23	Last day of term

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SEPTEMBER

Mon 2 nd	School closed – Inset Day
Tue 3 rd	School open

OCTOBER

Fri 4 th	School closed – Inset Day
Tue 22 nd	Y6 Crucial Crew (details to follow)
Fri 25 th	Last day of term

NOVEMBER

Mon 4 th	School open
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DECEMBER

Fri 20 th	Last day of term - Christmas
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JANUARY 2025

Mon 6 th	School open
Wed 15 th – Fri 17	Y6 Residential – Haworth Youth Hostel

FEBRUARY

Fri 14 th	Last day of term
Mon 24 th	School closed – Inset Day
Tue 25 th	School open

MARCH

Fri 28 th	Last day of term – Easter
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APRIL

Mon 14 th	School open
Fri 18 th	School closed – Good Friday
Mon 21 st	School closed – Easter Monday

MAY

Mon 5 th	School closed – May Day
w/c Mon 12 th -16 th	Y6 SATs week (and possibly the week after)
Fri 23 rd	Last day of term

JUNE

Mon 2 nd	School closed – Inset Day
Tue 3 rd	School open
Fri 27 th	School closed – Inset Day

JULY

Wed 23 rd	Last day of term
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CLASS LAYOUT 2024/25

PLAYGROUND



Y5/Y6 Meeting Point (square)



Y4/Y2 Meeting Point (star)



Y3 Meeting Point (circle)



Y1 Meeting Point (triangle)



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