

Monthly Newsletter

Asfordby Hill Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,
We hope this newsletter finds you well. As we approach the end of another half term, we wanted to take a moment to reflect on the activity-packed weeks we have enjoyed in school.

Our Year 6 children recently undertook their SATs, demonstrating commendable dedication and effort. We are proud of all their hard work and resilience throughout this important assessment period in their school journey.

We were also thrilled to commemorate the 80th anniversary of VE Day with a street party. A heartfelt thanks to Melton Borough Council and the Friends of Asfordby Hill (FOAH) for their generous donations that made this special event possible. It was a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together and remember an important part of our history. The children enjoyed performing, eating the cake and listening to the live music.

Meanwhile, Willow Class had a meaningful visit to Asfordby Church, allowing them to deepen their understanding of sacred places in Religious Education. We are grateful to Lorna Wright for welcoming us and facilitating such a valuable experience. Additionally, the children in Year 3 and 4 benefitted from expert coaching by Belvoir Cricket and the Creative Library Services enhanced our history curriculum in Chestnuts and Rowan. These experiences help to enrich our learning and provide our students with a wider perspective.

We are delighted to announce that we came second in the recent Tesco's blue token collection, securing an additional £1,000 to spend on children's reading books for our library. Thank you to everyone who contributed their tokens while shopping; your support truly makes a difference.

Looking ahead, we are entering an exciting final half term filled with activities, including our yearly swimming pool visit, Sports Week, the Year 6 residential trip, and various class outings. We are also eagerly preparing to welcome our new 2025 Chestnut cohort during their transition sessions. Please keep an eye out for the dates of our open mornings for families of new starters for 2026! Please spread the word.

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We would like to extend a huge thank you to the dedicated team from FOAH, who work tirelessly to organise fun events for our school community while raising invaluable funds that directly benefit our children. Their efforts enable school trips, additional reading materials, and other essential resources. We cannot thank them enough! Keep an eye out for their upcoming discos and the summer fair, which promise to be fantastic.

We are thrilled to welcome Mrs Johnston as our new Learning Support Assistant to the school. Mrs Johnston joins us with a wealth of experience in supporting learners and creating engaging activities that foster individual growth. She is deeply passionate about education and has a fantastic ability to connect with children, ensuring that each child feels valued and supported in their learning journey. We are sure you will give her a very warm AHPS welcome too!



We are pleased to announce our new behaviour policy, which underscores our commitment to prioritising positive language and behaviour, and restoring as well as fostering meaningful relationships within our school community. It is now on our school website. Our three rules across the whole school are READY, SAFE and RESPECTFUL. Please read the section below for more details and the link to the policy.

Lastly, with warmer weather on the horizon, please remember to send your child wearing sun cream, a water bottle, and a hat to ensure they stay comfortable and hydrated during outdoor activities.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Have a lovely week.

Mrs Millward and Mrs Bailey

**AT ASFORDBY HILL WE ARE
READY, RESPECTFUL AND SAFE**

ENTHUSIASM UNDERSTANDING OTHERS GRATITUDE SELF-CONTROL PERSEVERANCE CURIOSITY OPTIMISM

Key dates for your diary

- **Friday 23rd May: SCHOOL SHUT TO CHILDREN- INSET DAY**
- W/B 2nd and 9th June 2024: Swimming Pool on site
- Tuesday 3rd June: Year 5 and 6 Cricket Tournament (Children involved have been informed)
- Tuesday 3rd June: F.O.A.H meeting (all welcome) 7:30pm
- Wednesday 4th June: School Disco- Chestnuts/Willow/ Holly Classes (4:15-5:15pm)
Rowan/Beech/Sycamore/Oak Classes (5:30-7:00pm)
- Monday 9th June: Netball Tournament (Children involved will be informed)
- Wednesday 4th June: SEND Clinic
- 11th -13th June 2024: Year 6 residential trip
- W/B 16th June 2024: Sports Week
- Tuesday 17th June: Sports Morning (Parents are invited to come and watch – more information to follow)
- Wednesday 18th June: Induction evening for new Chestnut parents (Aug 25) 5:30pm
- Thursday 19th June: Sycamore and Oak First Aid Training
- Wednesday 25th June: Rowan Class Trip- Cricket and Countryside Day at Belvoir Cricket Club
- Thursday 26th June: Beech Class Trip- Richard III museum
- Friday 27th June: Non-uniform Day (in aid of Summer Fair – information to follow)
- Saturday 28th June: Summer Fair 11am-1pm
- Monday 30th June and Tuesday 1st July: Year 6 transition days to Secondary Schools
- Thursday 3rd July: Chestnut Class Trip- Twycross Zoo
- Friday 4th July: Willow Class Trip – Leicester Botanical Gardens
- Wednesday 9th July: Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9:30am
- Wednesday 9th July: Last day at school for children.

PE Timetable (after Easter)

Please remember to wear PE kit on your PE days. PE days for each class are below

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 5		Year 2		EYFS
	Year 1	Year 4		
Year 3	Year 6	Year 3	Year 1	Year 5
Year 4	Year 2		Year 6	Year 6

Our Achievements

Chestnut Class had an absolutely splendid time at school when we welcomed the Creative Learning Service for their fascinating Toys from the Past workshop! Chestnut children were transported back in time, discovering the magic of classic toys and how they've shaped play as we know it today. 🧸🧶

Through interactive activities and creative storytelling, the children learned about the history of toys and even got to play with some of them! It was a delightful experience filled with laughter and history, sparking joy and curiosity in all who participated.

A huge thank you to the Creative Learning team for bringing this engaging session to our school.



Willow Class Visits All Saints Church!

Willow Class had the wonderful opportunity to visit All Saints Church in Asfordby! 🌈🏰

The children explored this beautiful place of worship and engaged their inquisitive minds by asking a variety of enquiry questions. It's amazing to see their curiosity in action as they learn about different beliefs and traditions! 🌈

A huge thank you to Lorna Wright for not only arranging this enriching visit but also for sharing her invaluable expertise with our pupils. Your support makes a world of difference! 😊



We were so proud of our pupils for showing such great enthusiasm and respect during their visit. What a fantastic learning experience! 📖✨

🇬🇧 Celebrating 80 Years of VE Day! 🇬🇧

Last week, our assemblies focused on a heartfelt tribute to the 80th anniversary of VE Day! Then on 8th May, we created our very own street party, filled with laughter, cake, and a wonderful sense of community. 🍰❤️

A special joy was welcoming back Mrs Longley-Brown, who delighted us with enchanting music from the 1940s – it truly transported us to another era! 🎵🌟 The highlight of the day was undoubtedly our talented Year 1 and 2 children, who brought the house down with their fabulous rendition of Run Rabbit. 🐰🍌

A big thank you goes to Melton Borough Council for their generous grant, and to FOAH for their unwavering support in making this event a memorable one for our school community.

Let's continue to honour and remember those who contributed to our peace and freedom. Here's to coming together and creating wonderful memories!



Discover the Roman Past with Rowan Class! 🌟

Rowan Class embarked on an exciting journey through time as they explored the fascinating world of archaeology! 🏺🌟

Using the [Creative Learning Services](#) incredible collection of genuine Roman coins and artefacts, our children dived deep into the methods used by archaeologists to piece together our history. From stratigraphy to excavation techniques, they uncovered the secrets of the past! 🔍📖

To better understand the timeline of Roman Britain, Rowan Class crafted a stunning physical timeline, illustrating just how much time has elapsed since the Romans called this land home. 📅



☕🍰 Year 6 SATs Breakfast Bonanza! 🍰☕

What fantastic mornings we had last week as our Year 6 children fuelled up with a daily delicious SATs breakfast! 🍌🍌

A huge thank you to our amazing staff who organised this wonderful event, and to our supportive parents for preparing our bright minds for success! The positive vibes lasted all week and they did us proud! 🌟💪



Last week, a group of our Year 4 pupils had an absolutely splendid time at the cricket festival held at Egerton Park Cricket Club! 🏏 They embraced the spirit of teamwork, picked up some fantastic new skills, and had a blast making memories on the field. 🇬🇧

A huge thank you to **Melton & Belvoir School Sport and Physical Activity Network** for organising such a wonderful event, and of course, to **Egerton Park Cricket Club** for being such gracious hosts. Your support encourages our young athletes to thrive! 🙌🙌

Check out the smiles and unforgettable moments from the day! 📷🌟



📖 Embracing Inclusion with Author Troy Jenkinson! 🌟

🌈 On Tuesday, we had the immense pleasure of welcoming the talented children's author, Troy Jenkinson, to our school! Troy's inspiring stories focus on embracing differences; reminding our children that everyone is unique and valuable. ❤️🌟

Through his engaging narratives and vibrant illustrations, Troy encourages young readers to cultivate compassion and understanding for one another. His books are not just entertaining; they build important social skills and foster a sense of community among children.

Throughout the day, Troy shared his creative process and engaged our students with an assembly, writing workshops and interactive discussions. 📖💬 The excitement in the air was palpable as our children discovered the magic of stories that reflect their own lives and the diverse world around them.

A massive thank you to Troy for inspiring our students to be kind, accepting, and brave in embracing what makes us all unique! Let's continue to champion inclusion within our school and beyond. 💪❤️



🌟 Exciting Day at Melton & Belvoir School QuadKids Athletics Event! 🌟

What an incredible day it has been for our talented Year 4 athletes at the Quadkids Athletics 2025! 🏆 Our children showcased their skills in four thrilling events: the Howler throw, standing long jump, 400m run, and 50m sprint. The atmosphere was electric as students cheered each other on, demonstrating not only their talent but also the true spirit of teamwork and sportsmanship. 🏃 Every run, jump, and throw brought us closer together as a community. A massive shoutout to our Mr Iron for supporting such a fantastic event, and of course, to all parents and teachers for their unwavering support! 🎉

Team Points



This month's team points results:

Week ending	AIR	EARTH	FIRE	WATER
Friday 2 nd May	125	154	117	157
Friday 9 th May	138	122	140	107
Friday 16 th May	171	166	170	170

Congratulations to our weekly winning teams. Each week's team winners have had an extra 10 minutes of playtime on a Wednesday- enjoy!

Wow Awards

The children have worked exceptionally hard on using their rainbow skills. It has been a delight to see how many children are using these skills throughout the curriculum but also around school. On Fridays, two children from each class are rewarded in our Celebration Assembly with a WOW certificate and a gold star badge to wear in class the following week.

Congratulations to you all- you deserve a WOW!

Attendance

Take a look at this poster explaining the changes and expectations for school attendance.

Remember the more your child is at school the more they will learn and more likely they are to achieve and succeed!



Behaviour

We are pleased to announce our new behaviour policy, which underscores our commitment to prioritising positive language and behaviour, as well as fostering meaningful relationships within our school community. It is now live on the school website. [Asfordby Hill Primary School - Behaviour](#)

Our approach centres on empowering children to understand the impact of their actions through restorative practices. When unwanted behaviours arise, we engage in structured restorative conversations that facilitate teaching moments, helping students reconcile their actions and make amends.

We maintain high standards for our children, encouraging them to strive for excellence in all endeavours. The shared responsibility of upholding our school expectations lies with staff, students and parents. Through proactive restorative practices, we cultivate close class communities where every child feels valued and experiences a sense of belonging. By embracing this approach, students are held accountable for their behaviour, enabling them to develop the skills necessary for making responsible choices as they navigate their educational journey.

Thank you for your continued support.



<https://www.asfordbyhill.leics.sch.uk/page/?title=Behaviour&pid=71>

FOAH

Thank you all who contributed to the Bags4school collection. We raised £51.00.

There are a few up and coming events happening over the coming weeks. Please see the posters for save the dates with more information to follow shortly.



Summer Fair
28th June 2025
 11am – 1 pm

**Come and join our
 special guest Pikachu
 at our Summer Fair!**

**More information
 coming soon**



Community Information



Asfordby Hill Primary School
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Is your child due to start school August 2026?

We would be delighted to welcome you to our school with an opportunity to meet our amazing children, have a tour of the school and ask any questions you may have.

Open day sessions:

Monday 29th September	9:30-2:00pm
Wednesday 1st October	9:30-2:00pm
Tuesday 14th October	5:30pm
Tuesday 28th October	9:30-2:00pm
Monday 17th November	9:30-2:00pm
Tuesday 2nd December	9:30-2:00pm



**Call the school office to
 book your slot
 01664 812244**





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**May Half-Term &
Summer Holiday
Sports & Countryside Schemes 2025
At Belvoir Cricket Club, Knipton, NG32 1RE**



Costs
£30 per day
£100 for 4 days
Children aged 6-12

Activities include:

- Archery
- Cricket Skills
- Birds of Prey
- Orienteering
- Tri Golf
- Basketball
- Short Tennis
- Unihoc
- Dodgeball
- Rounders
- Base Hide & Seek



May half-term: Tue 27th, Wed 28th & Thu 29th May
Summer holiday: Mon-Thu 4th -7th August & Mon-Thu 11th-14th August
Drop off 8:45-9:15am; pick up 3pm