

# ASFORDBY HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## 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!



**Miss Clater**



**Miss Weir-Smith**



**Mrs Poppitt**

## Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope everyone had a restful break and that the children are feeling relaxed, recharged, and ready to learn. It's been wonderful to see how quickly they have settled into their new classes this last week.

A very warm welcome to our new Chestnut Class and their families, as well as to our new members of staff. Miss Clater and Miss Weir-Smith, who join us with a wealth of experience as support assistants—Miss Clater will be part of the Year 6 team, and Miss Weir-Smith will be working within Year 5. We are also delighted to welcome Mrs Poppitt as our new Premises Officer. A huge Asfordby Hill welcome to them all!

If you've passed by the school during the summer, you may have noticed contractors hard at work. We're delighted to share that our children's toilets across the school have now been fully refurbished! They look fantastic, with features such as sensory taps and additional cubicles to make them more accessible for everyone.

We're excited to share that the recent parent survey received an overwhelmingly positive response. Thank you to all the families who took the time to provide feedback. Your support and encouragement mean a great deal to our staff and help us continue striving for excellence. We also appreciate the thoughtful suggestions for improvement, which are currently being reviewed. We look forward to sharing more about these ideas and how we plan to address them in next month's newsletter.

Also in this newsletter, you'll find all the key information for the term ahead: important dates, the PE timetable up to the October half-term break, attendance reminders and details about morning drop-offs and afternoon pick-ups. We have also updated our website where you can find out further information about your child's class, school calendar and much more!

<http://www.asfordbyhill.leics.sch.uk>

We are looking forward to another fantastic year with lots of laughter, learning and fun!

Warmest regards,  
Mrs Millward and Mrs Bailey  
Co-Headteachers

**AT ASFORDBY HILL WE ARE  
READY, RESPECTFUL AND SAFE**  
ENTHUSIASM UNDERSTANDING OTHERS GRATITUDE SELF-CONTROL PERSEVERANCE CURIOSITY OPTIMISM

## PE Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Rowan	Holly			Chestnuts
Lunchtime				
Holly	Rowan	Willow	Beech	Sycamore
Willow	Sycamore	Beech	Oak	Oak

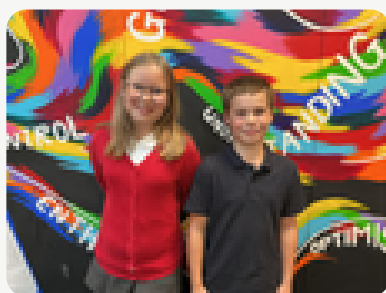
## Team Points

We would like to introduce to you this year's team captains who were voted in by their peers. Their role is to model Asfordby Hill's rainbow skills in their daily lives. They are working hard in their roles: collecting weekly team points and encouraging younger children to achieve their best. Congratulations to the team captains and we are all looking forward to working alongside you in future team events.

## Team Captains



Air



Water



Fire



Earth

Week ending	AIR	EARTH	FIRE	WATER
29 Aug ...	90	92	80	87



## Uniform and Dress Code

We kindly remind parents and carers that, for health and safety reasons, nail varnish and jewellery (other than small stud earrings) should not be worn in school. Stud earrings must be either removed or securely covered during PE sessions. Additionally, long hair must be tied back for all physical activities.

We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a safe and respectful learning environment. For full details, please refer to our Uniform Policy available on the school website.

## Attendance

Evidence shows that children who have good attendance enjoy better wellbeing and school performance than those who don't. For most children, the best place to be during term-time is in school, surrounded by the support of their friends and teachers. This is important not just for your child's learning, but also for their overall wellbeing, wider development and their mental health.

### Top tips to help improve attendance;

- Talk to child regularly about school and how they feel about it.
- Phone school as soon as possible to tell us why your child is absent, and when you expect them to return.
- Only allow days at home for genuine illness.
- Having a regular bedtime and morning routine can help you to arrive at school on time.

## Drop Off and Pick Up

**Lesson start time: 8:45am**

**End time: 3:15pm**

### **Punctuality Matters!**

Arriving on time is essential for your child's well-being and feelings of success. Frequent lateness can negatively affect mental health, learning, concentration, and friendships. Children who regularly arrive late are at a clear disadvantage compared to those who arrive on time every day. Teaching and learning start as soon as the children enter the classroom – please ensure that every child is on the playground and lining up by 8:45am.

Pick-Up (3:15pm): Children should be collected from the school playground with Year 6 being collected from reception at the end of the school day. There are times when parents are late collecting children from school, through delays and circumstances out of their control. If this is likely to happen to you, we kindly ask that you contact the school office as soon as you can and let us know the expected time delay. We can then let your child know what is happening and when they will be collected to reassure them.

### **Expectations:**

- Pupils should be in their class line by **8:45am**, ready to come into school and learn.
- Any pupil arriving after the register has closed will be marked as late.
- Please don't leave your child unattended on the playground.
- Please don't use the trim trail before or after school.

Let's work together to make sure every child starts the day ready, safe and feeling confident!



## Community Support

Do you need support with...

- BEREAVEMENT
- FOOD BANKS
- SCHOOL DINNERS
- MENTAL HEALTH SLEEP & EATING
- DRUGS AND ALCOHOL
- DOMESTIC ABUSE

# Dates Page

Term Dates 2025-2026



## Autumn Term

**Teacher Days**  
(School closed to Children) Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2025  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025

**August Bank Holiday:** School Closed Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2025

**Schools open:** Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2025

**Half term break:** Monday 20<sup>th</sup> to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**Schools close:** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

## Spring Term

**Schools open:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**Half term break:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**Schools close:** Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

## Summer Term

**Schools open:** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**May Day Bank Holiday:** School Closed Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**Teacher Day**  
(School closed to Children) Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

**Half term break:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**Schools close:** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2026

**Teacher Days**  
(School closed to Children) Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2026  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026

## September

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September: Longfield visiting Oak Class

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September: Holly Class tennis event

W/B 8<sup>th</sup> September: Oak Class Bikeability

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September: FORS meeting 7:30pm

W/B 22<sup>nd</sup> September: Whole School Writing Week

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September: Year 5 and 6 boys football event- more information to follow.

## October

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October: Open Morning (Appointment only) for families of children starting school Aug' 2026

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October: mixed football event for year 3/4- more information to follow

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October: Rowan Class Little Springers Gymnastics trip.- more information to follow.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October: Parents Evening  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October: Parents Evening

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October: Year 5/6 Girls football event- more information to follow.

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October: Open Evening (Appointment only) for families of children starting school Aug'2026



**ASFORDBY HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**IS YOUR CHILD DUE TO START SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2026?**

*Come and visit us!*

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

**Our open days:**  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September 9:30am- 2:00pm  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 9:30am- 2:00pm  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 5:30pm  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 9:30am- 2:00pm  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November 9:30am- 2:00pm  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 9:30am- 2:00pm

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