

Diary Dates

School Opens

Tuesday 8th January

Half term

Week beginning 18th

21st January—
Science Week

School Closes

Friday 12th April

News Letter December 2018



Everyone at AHS wishes you a wonderful Christmas and a happy new year!

Communication:

Is all this news to you? We share much of your children's learning on our school web-site—why not take a peek?

www.asfordbyhill.leics.sch.uk

Cross country

The Asfordby Hill Cross Country team have braved all kinds of weather to compete in the Prestwold Hall Primary Schools Cross Country Autumn term races. Battling freezing rain and high winds, our young people have never failed to not only start their race but also finish it! Year 3 to Year 6 pupils are eligible to represent our school and everyone of them is a star. Our competitors traditionally just add this event onto an already busy Saturday so many thanks to the amazing families who always come and support. A special thanks to the Sherriffs who give of their time every Tuesday lunchtime to enable cross country practice to happen.



Holly Class Update I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to everyone involved in Holly Class. It has been a difficult term with changes in teachers. Fortunately, Mrs Callaghan is, in her words 'on the mend' and Miss Patel has agreed to stay with us until the end of the academic year. She (along with many parents) has created a stimulating, fun classroom where all the children are now settled and making great progress. The Governors and I appreciate your support and patience.

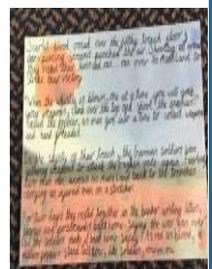
Fundraising It has been a busy term raising money for the school and for charity. The children (and parents) were extremely generous with our 'Help for heroes' money box project. Not only were there some beautiful boxes, but £729.68 was raised. The school also looked particularly festive for the Christmas Fair. Children were able to visit Santa, play games on a variety of stalls and buy delicious cakes. The raffle was a huge success as was the whole morning - an incredible £1251.21 profit was made and money is still coming in! Thank you to FOAH who organised everything. It took a lot of work but as every penny will be spent on our children, it was well worth it.



'Look for the rainbow when lightning strikes'

Our participation in the annual Christmas Tree display at St Mary's Church had a more serious note for us this year in that it represented all the work we have been doing on positive mental well being. The children created a decoration that showed a skill to use when facing a difficult time—'when lightning strikes'. These skills are perseverance, optimism, understanding others, curiosity, self control, gratitude and enthusiasm.

WWI Centenary Sycamore Class and our School council researched the lives of local service men who died during WWI. Our art and findings were displayed in All Saints Church during their memorial service.





The Three Little Pigs—what an incredible show! Well done to all the children who took part both on and off stage, and Miss Parrott and all the staff for their energy, willingness to give up their free time and creativity.

And here are the stars of the future! A top notch saleswoman who managed to sell her donkeys, a camel with a poorly leg and angels who just couldn't stop dancing were just a few of the wonderful characters who were portrayed with skill and imagination. Well done Chestnut Class!



On Thursday 13th December the whole school fitted into the hall to eat Christmas dinner together. The staff served every child with a delicious meal made by Wendy and the gang in the kitchen. Thank you!