



Aslacton Primary School

Half Term ending Friday 25th October 2024

Head and Deputy's Messages

It's been a long half term, but a great one. I have given out Head Teacher award certificates for some amazing skills, abilities, kindness, resilience and hard work. The children at Aslacton never fail to impress me and I get the biggest smiles when handing over the awards. We also have had the pleasure of giving out Head Teacher's awards to some of our new Reception Owl children. Our Eagle children take great pleasure in looking after our new Owls which again confirms Aslacton Primary School is a home away from home. This time of year is a great time for autumn walks and collecting different shape and coloured leaves, conkers, and acorns. To celebrate Harvest and Autumn, we had a lovely Harvest Festival service at the church and I thank you for your donations. If your child is in Kestrel class, you will be aware of our new member of staff – Mr Silcocks who works together with Mrs Washington and Mrs Graham. I'd like to welcome Mr Silcocks and confirm he already feels part of the Aslacton family – I've also heard he's a big fan of the Christmas performances, so I am looking forward to that. With this being a long half term, rest and recuperate when on holiday, as when we come back the count down for Christmas starts. Cards have already been made and the Christmas play and carols chosen. Be prepared for random bits of glitter to appear anywhere and everywhere! **Mrs Haines**

What a great start to the year we have had. As always this half term has had such a variety of activities from harvest to residential and everything in between. Earlier this half term I met the Friends for their AGM and would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have stepped down from the committee after several years so a huge thank you for all you have done to Kizzie Bartram, Ela Nunn and Louise Saunders. Look out for the exciting plans the Friends have for the next year. One of the roles I have is to arrange our extra curricular and personal development activities for both of the schools. Thank you to those of you who have offered to come in and talk to the children about what you do. I am working out where different professions will fit best during the year. If you would still like to volunteer then do speak to me. This week we have had Firefighter Howell and PS Wenden in which has been a great addition to our Stay Safe week. Have a lovely half term break. **Mrs Turk**



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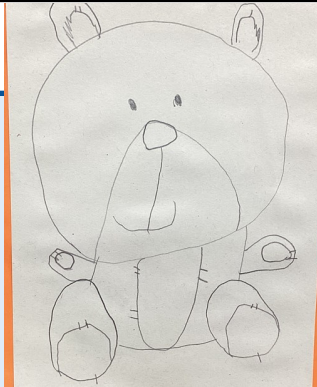




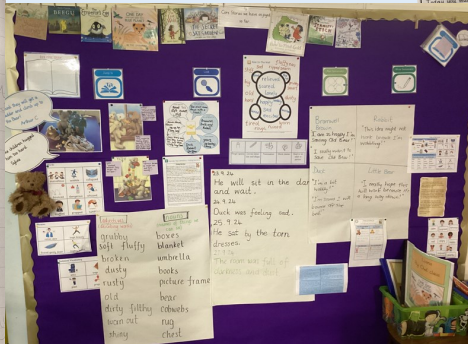
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Around the School

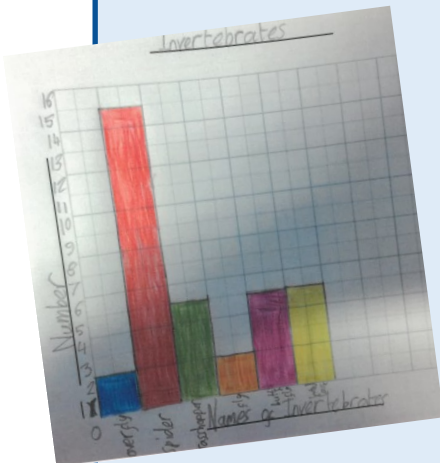


Handwritten letter dated Friday 18th October 2024. The letter is addressed to 'Dear toys' and discusses the writer's feelings about their toys and their desire to have a new one.

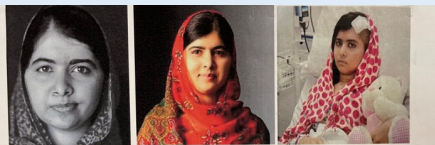


Handwritten notes and drawings, including a small table with columns labeled 'First', 'Then', and 'Now', and a drawing of a frog.

Owls:



Handwritten notes and drawings, including a diagram of a car and a drawing of a person, likely related to a school project or competition.



Kestrels:



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Information

Vaccinations On **Friday 8th November** we have the vaccination team in school to administer the nasal flu vaccine to those who have responded to say they wish their child to be vaccinated.

Below is a link to a video from NHS Scotland that shows what will happen on the day. We would encourage you to share this with your child during half term and talk to them about what is going to happen so that they are not anxious or frightened by the process. School staff will sit with a child if they want them to, but are always in the room and on hand to encourage and support them. If a child refuses to let the nurse administer the spray then you will be contacted to arrange an alternative appointment for them.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wuO1KW4PrEk>

Children are asked by the Nurse for their date of birth or age and the first name of the parent who completed the flu permission form. Please can you practice this information with your child as we are not allowed to help them with this.

Menu

The new menu for Winter and Spring begins on the first day back. The menu can be found on the school website.

Parent's Evenings

Don't forget to sign up for parent's evening appointments via the school office.

Clubs

New club sign up there are spaces in both KS1 and KS2 multisports and film and library (Eagles only).

Bookings can be made via the office.

PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE NO CLUBS ON **TUESDAY 12th AND THURSDAY 14th NOVEMBER** due to parents consultations taking place in the hall.

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Save the date!

November	
Tuesday 5th	Year 6 Height and Weight checks Reception Height, Weight, Vision and Hearing checks
Friday 8th	Flu vaccinations—please ensure you have completed the online form to give or decline consent.
Friday 8th	Class Cake sale in hall—Owl Class to provide cakes on the theme of Bonfire Night
Week beginning 11th	Antibullying week with...
Tuesday 12th	...Odd Sock Day for Antibullying week
Tuesday 12th and Thursday 14th	Parents Evenings. NO CLUBS THIS WEEK on TUESDAY OR THURSDAY (All Wednesday clubs running as normal)
Friday 15th	Children in Need wear something spotty.
Wednesday 20th	Eagle class multiplication table parent café 9-10am
Friday 22nd	Non-Uniform for Christmas Hamper items
Wednesday 27th	Kestrel class multiplication table parent café 9-10am
December	
WB Monday 9th	Play week. Details to follow after half term.
Wednesday 18th	Save the Children "Christmas Jumper Day" and Christmas Lunch
Friday 20th	Christmas Service at Church (School only) Carols round the tree—all welcome to sing carols at 2.30pm on the playground—hot drinks will be served by the Friends. Last day of term
Monday 23rd December —Monday 6th January— Christmas Holidays (Monday 6th is INSET—Children back Tuesday 7th)	

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Attendance

There is room for improvement to be made with pupil attendance at school. It is a legal requirement that your child attends school everyday unless they are genuinely unwell. IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL FOR ANY REASON, YOU MUST INFORM THE SCHOOL ON EACH DAY OF ABSENCE before 9.00am. In most cases there are very simple explanations for absence, but if you do not tell us, your child's absence has to be recorded as unauthorised.

Our attendance:

Attendance target: 96%

This half term's attendance: 97.09%

Class with the best attendance: Owl with 98.05%

Late pupils this half term: 9 children arrived after the 9am closures of registers during the half term.

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