

Ackton Pastures Primary Academy

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Friday 26th September

Dear Parents and Carers,

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to everyone who attended our coffee morning today, If you were unable to attend and would like to donate please click this link or scan the QR code. We will update with the total raised next week. Your continued support at our assemblies is very much appreciated!

<https://donate.justgiving.com/fundraising/cm25059354>



School Logo Consultation

Our consultation for a new school logo has now closed, thank you to everyone who took the time to share their views. We will now collate your views, along with staff and governor views and submit the ideas to our design company. We will be in touch when we have more to share.

Christmas "Cauliflower" Cards

Order forms and cards have been sent home today and **MUST** be returned to school by the 3rd October. We cannot accept any orders after this date as the company producing our Christmas cards needs to collect them from us.

Open Evening

We will be welcoming new families into school on Monday 17th November at 4pm. This event is aimed at families looking to join our school in September 2026. Please spread the word to any friends and neighbours. There will be a short presentation on our school about our curriculum and values, as well as a tour of the school. There will also be opportunities to meet some key members of staff.

School Dinners

All meals must be pre-ordered before the school day. Children who have not got a meal pre-ordered will not have the full access to all menu choices and will be served hot pasta. The system closes for orders at **9:30am** each day. Please cancel your meal on the SwiftKitchen app if your child is absent from school and no longer requires a meal. You will be able to do this in the 'upcoming meals' tab.

The Headteacher is the designated person for all child protection issues

If you are having trouble accessing SwiftKitchen or have lost your unique key, please call the office for assistance. When choosing the meals, please ensure you go all the way through to 'check out' regardless of whether you pay for your meals or not.

School Games Mark Award 2024/2025

We are proud to announce that we have achieved the Gold School Games Mark Award for our commitment and engagement in the School Games for 2024/2025. This is for participation in external events. A fantastic achievement!



Dates for your Diary

Friday 26th September	Cauliflower Cards sent home
Friday 3rd October	Cards MUST be returned by this date
Monday 20th October	School Photographs
Monday 20th October and Tuesday 21st October	Family Consultations
Wednesday 22nd October	Reception showcase for parents/ carers (in class, PM) See dojo for more information
Thursday 23rd October	Nursery Pumpkin Event 2:30-3:30pm
Friday 24th October	UKS2 Eden Camp Trip
Monday 17th November	New to school open evening 4pm

Attendance this week	
Reception – Miss Ayling	92%
Reception – Mr Smith	94%
Year 1 – Miss Wilson	98%
Year 1/2 – Miss Binns	92%
Year 2 – Mrs Turfrey	92%
Year 3 – Miss Blakeway	92%
Year 3/4 - Miss Gibbons	99%
Year 4 – Miss Holding	98%

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Year 5 – Mrs Longoni	93%
Year 5/6 – Miss Lynch	97%
Year 6 – Miss Woodhouse	97%

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Bartle
Acting Headteacher

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Monday:- 7-10yrs, 5pm-6pm De Lacy Academy, WF11 OBZ - 3G pitch

Friday:- 7-10yrs, 5pm-6pm De Lacy Academy, WF11 OBZ - 3G pitch

Saturday:- Tots 3-6yrs De Lacy Academy, WF11 OBZ - indoor sports hall

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Attendance Matters

Arrive on Time



Every school day counts, arriving a few minutes late a day can mean days of learning is lost over the school year. It is very important that your child is on time for school.

5 minutes late per day
=
3 days of learning lost in a year

10 minutes late per day
=
6.5 days of learning lost in a year

15 minutes late per day
=
10 days of learning lost in a year

20 minutes late per day
=
13 days of learning lost in a year

30 minutes late per day
=
19 days of learning lost in a year

L code = Late arrival after classroom doors close at 9am

U code = Late arrival after registers close at 9.10am (Unauthorised absence)

An accumulation of 10 U codes over a 10 week period can result in a Fixed Penalty Notice from the Local Authority for Irregular Attendance

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PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ARE CHANGING!

With the introduction of the New National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force on 19th August 2024.

PENALTY NOTICES WILL BE ISSUED FOR

Term time leave: Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for Term Time Leave of 5 or more consecutive days

10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period: A Penalty Notice may be considered/issued when a pupil has had 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week* period.

*School Week's

PER PARENT/PER CHILD

Penalty Notice Fines will continue to be issued per parent per child.

For example: 3 Siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

FIRST OFFENCE

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for a Term Time Holiday or Irregular School Attendance the Penalty Notice will be charged at:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days of issue, reducing to £80 if paid within 21 days**.

SECOND OFFENCE (within 3 years of the First Offence)

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second Penalty Notice to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first notice, the second Penalty Notice will be charged at:

£160 if paid within 28 days (no reduced fee for paying early).

(**Unpaid Penalty Notice's after 28 days may result in a parental prosecution)

THIRD OFFENCE (within 3 years of the First Offence)

On the third time that an offence is committed for either a Term Time Holiday and / or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, the case may proceed straight to Parental Prosecution under the Single Justice Procedure. If found guilty of the offence of 'Failure to send a child to school' the Magistrates can impose a fine up to £1000.

