
Ackton Pastures Primary Academy

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Thursday 21st May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot quite believe we are in the final week of the first half of the Summer term, it has been lovely to spend some more time in school this week; a particular highlight has been seeing some of your children's success in their classroom work which they have delighted in sharing with me. A reminder today is the last day in school before the half term break, tomorrow our school staff will be joining other members of staff from Inspire Partnership for our annual trust conference to develop our work in school even further.

Girls Football Tournament

A big well done to our Year 3/4 girls football team for their victory at the tournament on Monday at Half Acres. The girls represented the school with pride and respect and after some difficult games, managed to win the tournament! Miss Woodhouse commented on what a fantastic team spirit the girls showed and how they were role models to school. Well done girls!

Punctuality

We have, unfortunately, seen an increase in lateness to school over the last few weeks. It is of vital importance that we build strong habits for punctuality and attendance with children from an early age. Our children start the day with activities linked to our 'One Life' curriculum that supports their mental health and wellbeing so it is really important they are in school by 9am at the very latest. We offer breakfast club in the morning and a staggered start between 8.45-9am to support further with this.

Wraparound Breakfast and After School club

A reminder to parents/carers that we offer wrap around care at our fantastic Breakfast and after school club which is available to all children. Breakfast club runs from 7.30am each day and children have the chance to complete a range of activities and are provided with breakfast before school starts. Our after school club runs from 3.15pm with pick up slots available at 4/5/6pm. Our after school club offers a range of activities, a light tea (depending on time slot for pick up) and we are in the process of planning some seasonal themed events which we will share with you

soon. For more information and to book your child's place at either club, please contact the office.

Reception News

Reception have been very busy picking up litter around the school grounds and collected so much rubbish!!! We can all agree that they have done an amazing job looking after our environment!



After School Clubs

There are no teacher led clubs this half term however, Elite will be running from week beginning the 8th June through to the last week of term. The timetable for the next half term is below.

Tuesday	KS1 Multi-Sports	Year 1 and Year 2
Wednesday	Rugby and Football	Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6
Thursday	Dance and Gymnastics	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

These clubs are available to book on Arbor as of 3pm today.

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Parking

Please could I ask all parents/carers to consider where they are parking vehicles when dropping off and collecting children, particularly around the Marston Court cul de sac. There have been several occasions recently when access to the cul de sac/access has been blocked causing disruption to the residents here.

Diary Dates

Just a reminder of the diary dates we currently have in the school calendar, there will be more information to follow regarding specific events after the holidays.

22nd May	Inset Day - start of Half term
8th June	School reopens
w/c 8th June	Year 1 phonics screening check and Year 4 multiplication check across this week
22nd June	Year 6 residential meeting 2:45pm
22nd June	Summer Fair
2nd July	Sports Day - Reception 9:30am KS1 1:30pm
3rd July	Sports Day - Yr 3 & 4 9:30am Yr 5 & 6 1:30pm
10th July	Colour Run
14th/15th July	Year 6 performances (pm)
15th July	Annual reports out to parents/carers
16th/17th July	Transition days in school (Reception to Year 5 pupils)
20th-22nd July	Year 6 residential

The Headteacher is the designated person for all child protection issues

Attendance this week	
Reception – Miss Ayling	88%
Reception – Mr Smith	95%
Year 1 – Miss Wilson	97%
Year 1/2 – Miss Binns	95%
Year 2 – Mrs Turfrey	87%
Year 3 – Miss Blakeway	92%
Year 3/4 - Miss Gibbins	99%
Year 4 – Miss Stanton	97%
Year 5 – Mrs Longoni	92%
Year 5/6 – Miss Lynch	93%
Year 6 – Miss Woodhouse	95%

May I wish you all a wonderful half term break and I look forward to welcoming children back to school on Monday 8th June.

Mr Ivel

Headteacher