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# Ackton Pastures Primary Academy

## Part of the Inspire Partnership Multi-Academy Trust

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Friday 12th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome you all back to school this week, the children have returned full of energy and with stories from their holidays - we have loved seeing them so excited to see school staff and their friends. I hope you all made the most of the warm weather we were lucky enough to have over the holidays. We are looking forward to our final half term of the academic year and, as always, it will be a busy one!

### **Phonics and Multiplication Check**

A huge well done to our children in KS1 who completed their Phonics Screening check this week and our Year 4 children who have completed their multiplication check this week. I know how proud all of the school staff are of them for their hard work.

### **Mobile Phones**

Please can I remind all parents/carers on our policy for mobile phones:

In some instances, pupils are permitted to bring a mobile to school. Such as:

- Travelling to school by themselves
- Young carers who need to be contactable

When these instances occur, pupils are allowed to bring phones to school, but must not use them during the school day or **on the school grounds**.

**Should a pupil be in breach of this policy, sanctions below will be put in place:  
The mobile phone will be confiscated**

We have seen a huge increase in children using mobile phones on school grounds, taking videos and photos of each other which is not permitted for safeguarding reasons. Please can you discuss the above with your child and remind them of expectations. Confiscated phones will need to be collected by a parent from the school office moving forward.

### **Castleford Community Food Pantry**

We are pleased to let you know that Castleford Community Food Pantry is opening a 2nd site on the 14th June 2026. Please see the poster at the end of this newsletter for more information about this useful resource for our community.

### **Wraparound After School Club - Playdough session**

We are excited to share that our wraparound after school club are hosting their first special event next Tuesday 16th June. Children will have the chance to create their own playdough figures and take these home with them following the session. Places are limited to 30, so please book early to avoid disappointment. Places can be booked via Arbor in 'After school club'. It is £12.90 for the full session until 6pm and includes a light snack. Bookings must be made before 12:15pm on the 16th June.

### **Special phone calls**

I have been thrilled to spend some time today, contacting parents of children, to share what a fantastic first week back they have had in school. I asked teachers to choose one child from their class who has displayed the 3 R's of Ackton (Respectful, Responsible and Resilience). I know many of the teachers found this decision really tricky as there were so many children showing our school values in all of their work this week.

### **Summer Fair**

Our Summer Fair is fast approaching. To support with this, we are inviting children to wear their own clothes on Thursday next week (18th June). Please could we ask that children bring in either a bottle, a chocolate treat or a tombola prize in exchange for wearing their own clothes for the day. Further details around the summer fair will be shared in next week's newsletter.

### **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.

17th June	Reception visit to Swithens Farm
22nd June	Year 6 residential meeting 2:45pm
22nd June	Summer Fair
25th June	Reception New Starter Meeting 2pm
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

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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
24th July	School Closes for Summer.
1st September	Training Day (School closed to children)
2nd September	School Reopens for Autumn term.

Attendance this week	
Reception – Miss Ayling	93%
Reception – Mr Smith	96%
Year 1 – Miss Wilson	96%
Year 1/2 – Miss Binns	94%
Year 2 – Mrs Turfrey	95%
Year 3 – Miss Blakeway	89%
Year 3/4 - Miss Gibbins	93%
Year 4 – Miss Stanton	93%
Year 5 – Mrs Longoni	93%
Year 5/6 – Miss Lynch	93%
Year 6 – Miss Woodhouse	95%

Have a wonderful weekend and we will see you all again on Monday.

Mr Ivel

Headteacher

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Castleford, WF10 3LQ



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**FOR MORE  
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