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Friday 25th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a brilliant week in school, children are enjoying their weekly music lessons, where KS2 are learning to play recorders and ukuleles with Mrs Gray and KS1 are learning to play glockenspiels with Miss Morrell. They are beginning to understand how to read music and play notes independently.

We have had lots of new resources delivered to school for our nursery and reception classrooms. Staff and children are very excited to enhance the lovely learning that is already taking place.

Today, we have finally announced our new student leadership teams, these include:

- Attendance Avengers
- Environment Executives
- Digital Directors
- Sports Stewards
- Library Leaders
- Junior Leadership Team

After School Clubs

Our teacher led after school clubs start next week. If your child has secured a place in a club it will show on your Arbor account. Clubs finish at 4:15pm. The clubs below are the only ones still with places available.

Day	Year Group/Key Stage	Club	Start date
Wednesday	Year 1 and 2	Spanish Club (Miss Moorby)	30th September 2026
Wednesday	Reception and Year 1	Sketching (Miss Briscoe)	30th September 2026
Thursday	Year 1 and 2	Musical Theatre (Miss Gibbins)	1st October 2026

Our wrap around after school club is open every night to all families with places available until 5pm. The cost of this afterschool club is £4.00 until 4pm and £10.00 until 5pm. We are delighted to be offering some special events at after school club again this term with our first two events detailed below:

1) ***Tuesday 29th September Sports Day***, a good old fashioned sports day event with egg and spoon races, skipping and a range of races for all to join in with. I am told there will even be medals and certificates given out!
2) ***Thursday 15th October is Halloween Craft night*** in which children will be able to join in with a range of Halloween themed crafts, perfect for decorating their bedrooms!

We expect these two evenings to be popular so please book your places as soon as possible. After school bookings must be made by 4.00pm the night before and Breakfast club bookings must be made by 6.30am on the day to ensure the team can plan food and prevent waste.

Cancellations for after school club must be made no later than 24 hours before the session in order to receive a refund. If you are late picking your child up, you will be invoiced for the additional session. The after school club telephone number is 07515 633216 and can be used from 3:30pm to inform staff if you are running late.

Allergies.

Class teachers have been busy sending out Individual healthcare plans for children that we have on our allergy list. Please can we ask parents to spend the time completing these and return these to school, with supporting information from your Doctor at your agreed meeting time. Teachers will then support you with ensuring these are filled in correctly. If your child has an allergy and you have not received a form, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance.

Can you make our home corner more homely?

Mrs Jackson and the EYFS team need your help. We're giving our classroom home corner a fresh new look! To help us create amazing learning spaces, we're looking for gently used donations from home. If you have any of these items gathering dust, we'd love to give them a second life in our classroom: clothing like waistcoats and hats, costume jewellery, cooking utensils, handbags, or grown-up shoes, old telephones, tiny baby clothes etc.

Simply bring your donations our way whenever you can, or feel free to reach out if you'd like to check what we need. Your support makes our learning spaces so much richer!

Special menu - Thursday 1st October

There is a change to the menu for next Thursday, please see at the end of the newsletter. If you had booked your child's lunches in advance please check on Swiftkitchen to see if you still have a meal booked for Thursday 1st October. Aspens sent emails to all registered families informing you of this change.

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Attendance this week	
Reception – Mrs Jackson	89%
Reception – Mr Smith	96%
Year 1 – Miss Wilson	97%
Year 1/2 – Mrs Turfrey	94%
Year 2 – Miss Moorby	94%
Year 3 – Miss Briscoe	92%
Year 3/4 - Miss Naylor	99%
Year 4 – Miss Stanton	93%
Year 5 – Miss Gibbins	98%
Year 5/6 – Mrs Longoni	97%
Year 6 – Miss Lynch	⭐100%⭐

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr C Ivel
Headteacher

JUNGLE FEST
1st October
CROCODILE CRUNCH BEEF NACHOS AND CHEESE WITH WEDGES AND SWEETCORN
OR
CROCODILE CRUNCH VEGGIE NACHOS AND CHEESE WITH WEDGES AND SWEETCORN
AND
MONKEY FINGERS BANANA FLAPJACKS
DON'T MISS OUT!
ORDER ON SWIFTKITCHEN

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