
Ackton Pastures Primary Academy

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'Children at the heart; Inspiring futures'

Friday 26th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another great week in school. I have been so impressed with the writing in upper key stage two, their adventure stories about climbing the summit of Mount Everest were thrilling! Lower key stage two have been working on writing playscripts and have even taken their learning outside to perform their short plays at playtimes. Key stage one have been so engaged with their class book 'The Lonely Beast' and can act out the story with great enthusiasm. Our reception classes have also had a fantastic time exploring the new witches house and sweet shop that have appeared in their classroom this week!

School Uniform

Thank you to everyone who has returned to school looking smart in the correct school uniform. We have really seen an improvement since the beginning of this term. Please can I remind parents that children who come to school in non-school PE kit will be asked to change into a plain white T-shirt and plain navy/black trousers or shorts.

School Attendance

Please can we remind parents to call school and inform us of any absence due to illness. You can leave a message on the school answer phone at any time and we ask that you try to inform us before 08:30 am. If a child has been off school, or not seen in school for 5 days, our pastoral team will contact you to arrange for a home visit. Thank you for your continued support.

Dolce Price Increase

Please be aware that Dolce are increasing their prices slightly. School dinners will cost £2.80 from the 1st April.

Have a wonderful weekend!
Mrs Mason
Headteacher

Attendance this week	
Reception – Miss Boon	97%
Reception – Miss Lopez	93%
Year 1 – Miss Wilson	92%
Year 1/2 – Miss Vollands	96%
Year 2 – Miss Blakeway	95%
Year 3 – Miss Binns	97%
Year 3/4 – Miss Holding	95%
Year 4 – Mrs Longoni	91%
Year 5 – Miss Lynch	95%
Year 5/6 – Miss Gibbins	94%
Year 6 – Miss Woodhouse	96%

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 29th January – Author Visit to school

Monday 5th February – Beginning of Children’s Mental Health Week

Friday 9th February – Year 3 and Year 4 parents invited in to see work 2:30pm school hall

Friday 9th February – Break up for half term

Monday 19th February – Inset Day – school closed

Tuesday 20th February – School re-opens

Monday 4th March – Scholastic Book Fair in school – all week

Monday 11th March – Parent Consultation Evening

Tuesday 12th March – Class photographs

Thursday 14th March – Parent Consultation Evening

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Mid Yorkshire Teaching
NHS Trust



Walk-in for Talking

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE DROP IN SESSIONS

Are you concerned about your child's speech and language development?

Has someone else (a relative, friend, teacher, health visitor) discussed your child's speech and language skills with you?

Does your child have a minor speech or language difficulty and you are not sure whether to ask for a referral to a therapist?

Would you like to see a Speech and Language Therapist without making an appointment?

A MAXIMUM OF 16 CHILDREN CAN BE SEEN IN EACH DROP IN AND ARE SEEN ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS

THURSDAYS 9:30am – 11:30am

Featherstone Health Centre Victoria Street Featherstone PONTEFRACT WF7 5EZ	11th January	8th February	14th March
	25th January	29th February	
Stanley Children's Centre Long Causeway Stanley WAKEFIELD WF3 4JB	18th January	1st February	7th March
		22nd February	

Chairman – Keith Ramsay Chief Executive – Len Richards

Working together
making a difference

The Headteacher is the designated person for all child protection issues

Kids

Disabled children
say we can

Kids WASP Parent Carer Workshop

Hosted by
Wakefield Family Hubs

Kids WASP Parent carer workshop is a bespoke workshop that looks at Autism, ADHD, PDA and Behaviour that challenges.

Each workshop is 2 hours long and will cover information and strategies to help support your family.

After the workshop we will be holding an informal drop in session for parents to offer help, support and guidance around the above.

Alongside this there will be opportunities to access 45 minute information sessions around Sleep, Sensory information and the benefits of Lego therapy.



If you would like to attend any of the workshops, please scan the QR code to fill out a referral form

February dates:

Wednesday 7th

Butterflies Family Hub
9.30-1.30pm

Tuesday 20th

Sunbeam Family Hub
12-3pm

Wednesday 21st

The Castle Family Hub
9.30-1.30pm

Tuesday 27th

Stanley Family Hub
9.30-1pm

Wednesday 28th

Kendal Family Hub
9.30-1pm



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REAKING



BREAD



COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

QUEEN'S MILL, AIRE STREET, CASTLEFORD

MONDAYS 8.15 – 9.45AM

Please come in and join us for a hot drink, chat and a light self service breakfast in a Warm Welcome space.

We will have a variety of warm / cold options available each week, e.g. toast, crumpets, spreads, porridge, cereals, fruit, tea, coffee, juice etc.

This will be free of charge, with help from our funders and our friends at Castleford Community Food Pantry.

Starts Mon 22nd Jan 2024, running until at least Easter.

Please call 01977 556741 for more info.

