



# Askern Moss Road Infant Academy Newsletter– 8th September 2023

**A great first week back and a hot one!**

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Dear Parents & Carers

I can never remember a hotter first few days back at school in September. The children have coped really well and have settled into their new classes with great positivity and confidence.

Some Nursery children have started school for the very first time and we have welcomed some brand new children and families into Moss Road across the year groups.

I hope that you have a lovely weekend in this amazing weather and we are looking forward to our first full week with the children from Monday.



Kind regards, **Carol Ann Turner**  
**Executive Head Teacher**

## Attendance

It is so important that children attend school regularly and that any absences are kept to a minimum.

We have attendance initiatives to reward those children who come to school regularly, including a **weekly class attendance competition**.

The class with the highest attendance for the week win the Attendance Bear who spend time in their classroom and choose a special treat for their class. Certificates and prizes are awarded at the end of the half-term for excellent attendance.

**The Attendance Target for every child is 96.1% and above for the school year.**

**Please note that all holidays taken in school time are unauthorised leave of absences and will usually result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued.**



## Staffing update

Mrs Draper joins the team as the new F2 teaching assistant, working alongside Miss Tarry. We know that you will make her feel very welcome.



## **Reading Workshops**

We are holding a series of reading workshops over the next few weeks which we really hope that you can attend.

**F2 parents** : Tuesday 19th September at 9am and 3:15pm in the School Hall.

Mrs Turner and Mrs Hawley will lead the session which we hope you will find really useful. They will model a phonics reading session with a group of children and we will explain how we teach reading. (We are offering an after-school session for those parents unable to attend the morning session.)

The F2 parents will be provided with their child's book bag and a range of resources at this meeting. The session will last around 30 minutes. Please come!!!!!!

**Y1 parents**: Tuesday 26th September 9am and 3:15pm.

**Y2 parents**: Thursday 5th October 9am and 3:15pm.

*Please note we will send out reminder letters nearer the time.*



## **Reception Baseline Assessments**

Our Reception children are taking part in the new baseline assessments from next week.

F2 parents and carers have been provided with additional information about this statutory process.



## **PE Kit– Y1 and Y2 Children**

The children need their PE kit (white t-shirt and black shorts) in school every day. Thank you for your support with this.

Please note that jewellery should not be worn in school for safety reasons.



## **Askern Moss Road Infant Academy – Important Upcoming Dates**

Monday 23rd October – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term – Academy Closed
Friday 22nd December – Friday 5th January	Christmas Holidays – Academy Closed
Monday 12th February—Friday 16th February	Half Term – Academy Closed
Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April	Easter Holidays – Academy Closed
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
May 2024	Y2 Assessment Period
Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May	Half Term – Academy Closed
Monday 10th June- Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check Week
Monday 22nd July	Summer Holidays