



Moss Road Academy Newsletter

October 2025

Let The Good Times Roll!

It's been a wonderful first half term at Askern Moss Road Infant Academy; with Harvest Festival performances, the Halloween disco, charity days, family workshops and the first parents' evening of the year! On a personal note, it's a privilege to join the team here. The commitment of the staff is reflected in the joy and positivity of our pupils: this is their academy. They are fiercely loyal and unwaveringly invested in the care and development of everyone here. And how wonderful to join a team who share my own vision and values for education and personal development. I'd also like to thank the school community for making me feel so welcome. I'm slowly getting to know everyone and its lovely to see so many of you when I open the gates in the morning.

I'd like to thank and congratulate everyone for their efforts to maintain good attendance. We are currently broadly in line with the national average at 95.5%. This reflects what makes our Academy special within Leger Education Trust and our local community. The Government expects schools to maintain a 96% attendance average and by working together, we can keep building on our attendance success and continue to shine as part of the wider Trust family!



Miss Sarah Lathlane
Executive Headteacher

KEY DATES

Friday 7th November

Reception, Yr1 and Yr2 Flu Immunisation Programme
School Nursing Team – Information to Follow

Monday 10th November

Anti-Bullying Week – Wear Odd Socks Day (Pupils Only)

Tuesday 11th November

Remembrance Day – Yr2 Pupils to Alexander House

Friday 14th November

Children In Need Day (Pupils Only)

Monday 1st December

Spa Academy Askern Yr2 Open Evening (Families Welcome)

Wednesday 3rd December

Yr1 & Yr2 CAST Theatre Pantomime Trip (Pupils Only)

Monday 8th December @ 11am

Nursery Nativity Performance (Families Welcome – Two Ticket Limit)

Monday 8th December @ 2pm

Reception Christmas Performance (Families Welcome – Two Ticket Limit)

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Tuesday 9th December @ 2pm

Reception Christmas Performance (Families Welcome – Two Ticket Limit)

Wednesday 10th, Thursday 11th and Friday 12th December @ 2pm

Yr1 and Yr2 Christmas Performances (Families Welcome – Two Ticket Limit)

Friday 12th December

Save The Children – Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 16th December @ 4pm – 5:15pm

Christmas Disco (Yr1 & Yr2 Pupils Only)
£2 Entry Includes a Hot Dog and Drinks
Sweet Tuck Shop available (prices from 20p to £1)

Wednesday 17th December

Choir Concert at St Peter's Church – Information to Follow

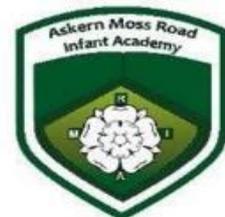
Thursday 18th December

Non-School Uniform Day and a special visit from Santa Claus – All Pupils to Receive a Small Gift

School is closed on Friday 19th December 2025 and Monday 5th January 2026 for in-service education and training (INSET) and reopens on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

Moss Road Fundamental Four:

1. Every Day, On Time! Children arrive on time, wearing their school uniform.
2. Children bring their book bag and water bottle to school every day.
3. PE kit is brought to school on a Monday and remains in school until Friday.
4. Children read at least 3 times each week.

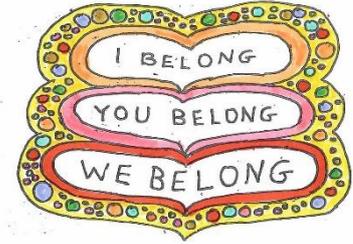




TEACHING & LEARNING

Topics this half term have included:

- F1 (Juniper): *Emotions – The Colour Monster*
- F2 (Oak): *Tradition Tales – The Ginger Bread Man*
- F2/Y1 (Birch): *Animal Classification*
- Yr1 (Cedar): *My Local Area – I know where I live*
- Yr2 (Sycamore): *Habitats*



In core curriculum subjects such as mathematics, pupils have focused their learning on **Place Value**, developing skills in recognising tens and ones and using this to support **addition** and **subtraction**. Watching the leaves fall and the weather change has encouraged conversations on the **changing seasons** linked to our science and geography topics. Yr1 pupils have been bird watching during their autumn walk and using natural resources (conkers, acorns and pine cones) as manipulatives. In Personal, Social, Health Education (PSHE) our pupils have been developing their sense of belonging, sharing about 'Me and My World'. Pupils who engaged with our after-school Rugby Club were given the opportunity to attend the Leger Sport Rugby Festival. An amazing time was had by all, with pupils speaking confidently and enthusiastically about their experience.

Reception children in Oak and Birch completed their Reception Baseline Assessments, which provide both the Academy and the Department for Education (DfE) with data regarding the ability of pupils starting Reception. This data helps us to plan high quality provision which meets the development needs of our pupils.

Governing Body: Are you, or any of your friends or family, interested in being a school Governor? Being a Governor can be an extremely rewarding experience and you will develop different transferrable skills which is great for your personal development. Please get in touch with the School Office for more information.

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After school clubs for Yrs 1 and 2 have been very well attended this half term. In the second half of the autumn term, pupils will have the opportunity to join a multi-skills club, continue with Choir or try out one of new clubs which will be open to pupils from Reception, Yr1 and Yr2.

Look out for more information about our all-new after school club opportunities coming soon!



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2026

The deadline for applying for primary school admissions in 2026 is 15th January 2026, through your local council. Applications can be submitted starting from around 1st October 2025 and offers will be made on 16th April 2026. You can apply online or by post and should submit your application to your home local authority, even if you are applying for schools in a different area.

Key dates

- **Application opens:** From October 1, 2025.
- **Application deadline:** January 15, 2026.
- **National Offer Day:** April 16, 2026.

How to apply

1. **Find your local council:**
Go to the [GOV.UK website](https://www.gov.uk) to find the correct council for your address.
2. **Apply online or by post:**
Use the online application portal provided by your local authority or contact them for a paper form if you are unable to apply online.
3. **Submit your preferences:**
You can usually list up to three schools in order of preference. Listing multiple schools increases your chances of securing a place.
4. **Submit before the deadline:**
Ensure your application is submitted by midnight on January 15, 2026. Applications received after this date will be considered late and processed after those submitted on time.

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