

Newsletter

24th November 2023

IS MY CHILD TOO ILL FOR SCHOOL?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about [managing specific infectious diseases](#) at [GOV.UK](#). These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.

If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school each day. Let them know that your child won't be in and give them the reason.

If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, let their teacher know.

[Is my child too ill for school? – NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#)

PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION – WE NEED YOU!

Please come along to help and support as much as you can with our events leading up to Christmas. Please speak to a member of staff and see how you could help.

Thank you to all who helped at the school disco. We made over £200.

NATIVITY

Sunday 10th December 11am in church. All children in school are involved in the production. A few parents have discussed their child's attendance at this event with staff members. Apart from these, all children are expected to attend in church from 10:45am – 12noon.

Parents of children in Class Jonah and Class Noah have been informed of any items needed for costumes.

All KS2 to wear a Christmas jumper, NOT school uniform this year.

Y6 RESPONSIBILITIES

Congratulations to all our Y6 children who were elected in their roles this year.

Heads and Deputies:

Claire and Peter
Elsie and Tommy

Team leaders: Elsie, Tommy, Riley, Hollie and Leo

Playground buddy: Hollie

Hall monitors: Peter and Riley

Team point monitors: Leo and Claire

KS2 leadership

Ethos Council: Peter, Seren, Isabelle, Ted, Jacob and Henry

School Council: Claire, Alisha, Nancy, Annabelle, Thea and Tilly

Safety Council: Elsie, Tommy, Flo, Kendal, LilyLou, Sofia and Molly

CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY

Wednesday 13th December – Please book via ParentPay

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Next Friday, 1st December 3:30 – 5pm. Please come along to support our fair. It's free entry and there are lots of games and activities, refreshments and stalls. Father Christmas will also be here!

ATTENDANCE

Last week, we had a visit from Cheshire East council to look through each register and discuss children with an attendance of below 96%. Generally, the attendance of the vast majority of children at Astbury has been good since September.

If your child is unwell, please read the guidance included in this letter.

PANTOMIME

Monday 5th December is school pantomime day. The children will come into school as usual and then go to the village hall for the pantomime. We are really grateful to the Parents and Friends' Association for paying for this annual activity in the build up to Christmas.

CLASS MARY – CLONTER OPERA



For two afternoons next week, Clonter Opera will be working with children in Class Mary. They will work on staging and costume design. Mr Shaw and Mrs Ajibade have been teaching in Class Mary whilst Mr Davies has been absent from work over this last week.

SCHOOL DINNER PRICE INCREASE

Due to recent rising costs, Cheshire East Council have had substantial increases in food and labour costs with further increases expected. Therefore, from January 2024 our paid school dinner price will increase to £2.70.

CELEBRATIONS



Week beginning:	Walk in love	My happy mind	Attendance	
10/11/2023				
Jonah	Charlotte	Holly	94.3%	
Noah	Meadow	Joseph	94.2%	
Mary	Tilly	Lucian	100%	
Jacob	Flo	Kendal	94%	
Team points 	St Andrew	St Patrick	St George	St David
	108	146	144	133

Week beginning:	Walk in love	My happy mind	Attendance	
17/11/2023				
Jonah	Isaac	Charlotte	82.9%	
Noah	Jackson	Jenson	97.55%	
Mary	LilyLou	Marco	99.5%	
Jacob	Leo	Henry	87.2%	
Team points 	St Andrew	St Patrick	St George	St David
	137	145	140	133

DIARY DATES



Friday 1 st December	Christmas Fair
Tuesday 5 th December	Pantomime
Sunday 10 th December	Nativity in Church 11am
Wednesday 13 th December	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 13 th December	Christingle Service
Friday 22 nd December	School closes for Christmas
Tuesday 9 th January	School Reopens for the new term

Astbury Acorns

Pre-School

at Astbury St Mary's C of E Primary School

"A nurturing school family"
"A fun and caring environment full of warmth and kindness"
"A family feel from day one, treating everyone as individuals"

Astbury St Mary's Primary School

This is a GOOD school

'Leaders have high expectations. Pupils behave well around school and work hard in lessons. The curriculum is ambitious and well thought out from early years to Year 6.'

Ofsted
Good Provider

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