



Astbury St Mary's C of E Primary School

Walk in love as Christ loves you. Ephesians 5:2



Newsletter

26th April 2024

ASTBURY MAY DAY – SATURDAY 18TH MAY

For over a hundred years there has been a May Day celebration in Astbury. This is an event organised by dedicated volunteers to provide a family fun day out and raise funds for the community of Astbury. As a school, we play our part in the celebrations and also benefit considerably financially from the generous donations from the May Day committee.

TIMINGS FOR THE EVENT

May Day is open from 11am–5pm and there is entertainment throughout the day with stalls, games and eateries. Plenty of seating available too!

DATES LEADING UP TO MAY DAY

Friday 26th April – non uniform day – bring £1 – this money goes towards purchasing a voucher for a raffle prize

Friday 3rd May – bring in chocolates for the tombola

Friday 10th May – bring in bottles for the tombola

Thursday 16th May 6:30pm – for May Pole Dancers only (Y5/6 and a few Y4s) – practice dancing with the band – meet at Glebe farm paddock at **6:30** for around an hour (usually a bit less)

Friday 17th May – bring in cakes for the tea tent AND bring back your raffle tickets (money / stubs and any unused ones)

May Day Photo's Retinue Photos and Reception Girls





WRISTBANDS

To enter the event you need a wrist band. These will be on sale at school before the day – purchasing these will help you to avoid the queues on the day! Anyone age 12 and over needs a wrist band.

Any questions, please ask.

TIMINGS FOR SCHOOL

Your child is involved from 1–3pm on the day.

1pm children to be brought up the school path to school where they will register in with staff and then be in our care. You are free to enjoy the events!

1:15pm procession leaves school via the double black gates that open out onto School Lane – find yourself a spot along the route to watch and clap as we go past. Please don't use the church wall to sit on this year – there will be church marshals to remind people of this.

1:30pm whole school in church, everyone welcome for a short celebration service.

School process out of church and arrange ourselves on the church steps for a photograph. You are able to take photographs too!

2pm procession up the road to Glebe Farm paddock for the official proceedings, including the crowning of this year's May Queen.

May pole and country dances.

3pm collect your child/ren from school staff under the gazebos near the thrones.

3pm Y6 children go to the tea tent for your 'free' Madhatter's tea party. For anyone singing with choir, we are on the stage – up near the tea tent at 3:50 for 5mins.

HOW CAN YOU / FAMILY MEMBERS HELP?

Thursday 16th May – from 9am at the paddock to help unload the trailer and support in setting up the arena and May Day area.

Friday 17th May – as above to complete setting up.

On the day – sign up to help out on one of the school stalls (Plate smash, hook a duck and tombola). We are setting the 'sign up' timetable on school spider – please look out for this and respond as soon as you can. The slots will be in half hour times. This sign up form will close on ??????? to enable us to take a look and look for gaps in cover – please ask Becki – she is organising this. The tombola and hook a duck are both part of the arena so you get a good view from here. Don't be on plate smash at 2pm if you want to see your child dancing as this is on the other side of the path!

Join the tidy up team – as the day draws to a close, help to take fabric off the thrones, wind up the may pole ribbons, take down the gazebos etc

ATTENDANCE

School holiday dates are available on the website. Please ensure you only take

your child on holiday during the school holidays. Any absence for a holiday

during term time will be unauthorised unless it is for an exceptional circumstance. Please note that 10 unauthorised sessions will lead to a fine.

The Penalty Notice fine would be:

- £60 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days
- £120 per parent, per child if paid between 21-28 days.
- If the fine is not paid within 28 days, you may be prosecuted under S444.1 of the Education Act 1996.

MAY DAY COSTUMES

Children	<u>Girls</u>		<u>Boys</u>	
	Provided by school	What you need to provide	Provided by school	What you need to provide
Pre-School	Pink skirt Floral apron Floral head scarf	White shirt (long or short sleeved but NOT polo) White knee socks Black pumps	Navy long shorts Blue waistcoat Yellow neckerchief	White shirt (long or short sleeved but NOT polo) White knee socks Black pumps
Reception	White dress	White knee socks		
Y1	Ribbon for waist Headband / posy	White pumps		
Y2	Pink skirt	White shirt (long or short sleeved but NOT polo) White knee socks Black pumps		
Y3	Floral apron			
Y4	Floral head scarf			
Y5	-	Retinue clothes		
Y6	-	Retinue clothes	Jacket Hat	White shirt (long or short sleeved but NOT polo) Black trousers (not joggers) Dark socks Black pumps

STANDON BOWERS RESIDENTIAL

Payment plans have now been set up on ParentPay for the September residential trip to Standon Bowers (Years 3 & 4). All parent information has been sent out, however, if you have any questions or concerns or haven't yet received your information, please contact the office.







Please ensure that the total amount has been paid in full by the end of August 2024 - any children that have not be paid for in full by this time will NOT be able attend.


PARENTPAY REMINDER

There are still each day a number of children that are not booked on for snacks and lunches. Please can all parents ensure that they have booked meals in advance to avoid children being missed. Thank you.

CELEBRATIONS




Week beginning:	Walk in love	My happy mind	Attendance	
22/04/2024				
Jonah	Theera	 Myah	96.9%	
Noah	Aston	Grace 	96.2%	
Mary	Tilly	Lola	99.25%	
Jacob 	Brayden	Henry 	95.5%	
Team points	 St Andrew	St Patrick	St George	St David
	72	98	57	83

Week beginning:	Walk in love	My happy mind	Attendance	
15/04/2024				
Jonah	Tilly	 Frank	85.7%	
Noah	Matthew	Meadow 	90.95%	
Mary	Henry	Martha	88.75%	
Jacob 	Kendal	Hollie 	96.9%	
Team points	 St Andrew	St Patrick	St George	St David
	113	89	78	80


DIARY DATES

Friday 3 rd May	Chocolate donations for the Tombola
Friday 10 th May	Bottle donations for the Tombola
Thursday 16 th May	Y5 & Y6 Band practice from 6.30 pm
Friday 17 th May	Cakes for the Refreshment Tent and bring back your raffle tick – Photos for the retinue and reception
Saturday 18 th	May Day
Friday 7 th June	Class Photo's
Monday 10 th June	PFA Meeting – 3.30 pm
Friday 14 th June	Father's Day Gift Shop
Wednesday 19 th June	Sports Morning
Wednesday 3 rd July	Town Sports – KS2
Thursday 11 th July	KS2 Performance – Afternoon and Evening
Friday 12 th July	Summer BBQ – 6 pm
Monday 15 th July	Year 6 Leavers Trip
Tuesday 16 th July	End of year Disco
Wednesday 17 th July	Leavers Service in Church
Thursday 18 th July	School Closes for the Summer Holidays

LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE



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.'



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