

## Astbury Express





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Astbury St Mary's CofE Primary School

26th September 2025

#### This week in school

Another brilliant week in school! From drumming to reading, and mathematics to hockey, it has been wonderful to see all the children engaging with our

curriculum. We have also been busy practising our songs for the Harvest service in church on 8<sup>th</sup> October. I encourage as many of you as possible to join us, and please remember those important non-perishable food donations.

Our apologies for the photographer dates error, individual photos will be taken on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September.

#### Early Christmas dates

We know how special yet busy the Christmas period can get. We are therefore pleased to share our school Christmas dates nice and early to help you to organise those festive family calendars:

- 2/12/25 PTFA Pantomime in the village hall
- 10/12/25 2:15 Acorn/Jonah/Noah Nativity performance
- 11/12/25 2:15 Acorn/Jonah/Noah Nativity performance
- 12/12/25 PTFA Christmas jumper day
- 16/12/25 2:45 Whole School Christingle in church
- 19/12/25 1pm school closes early for Christmas

\*PTFA Christmas Fayre - date to be confirmed\*

#### Attendance Matters!



#### Harvest Festival



Wednesday 8th October 2:45

Astbury St Mary's Church

Please bring a bag/box of non-perishable items to donate to the Storehouse foodbank in Congleton.

All welcome to join us in church

#### After School Clubs:

booking via admin@astbury.cheshire.sch.uk

Ks2: Netball Thursdays 3:20-4:15pm Football Thursdays 3:20-4:15pm

Ks1: Sports Fridays 3:20-4pm



#### Upcoming Dates

- 29/9/25 Individual School Photographs
- 3/10/25 after school until 4:30pm PTFA Karaoke night with DJ Buzz
- 8/10/25 2:45pm Harvest Festival in Church
- 15/10/25 Yr 5/6 CDAT Tag Ruby at Brereton 9:30-12
- 24/10/25 PTFA Disco look out for posters with more info
- 18/11/25 Whole school trip to Chester Zoo (approx. cost £10, more details to follow)



#### Astbury Welcome

Please join us in welcoming Miss Montague to the Astbury Team. Miss Montague joins Class Noah as an associate student teacher this term. The children have already noted her kindness & gentle nature.

### Bikeability Years 5&6







At the start of this week, the children in Years 5 and 6 participated in Bikeability sessions. Bikeability cycle training equips children with vital life skills. The children not only learned to cycle, but they also gained independence, social skills, and a sense of well-being. Well done to all who took part!

#### After School Success!

It was great to see 21 children taking part in our Football and Netball clubs after school on Thursday! There was great fun in the sun, with teamwork and effort from everyone.

Both clubs run until 4.15 on Thursdays, football for years 3-6 and netball for children in years 4-6.

If you'd like your child to attend either club (or both, some children alternate each week), please let Mr. Davies or Mrs. Gibbins know or email admin@astbury.cheshire.sch.uk to book your place.

#### Spotlight on...

# Writing

At Astbury, we teach writing using the Talk for Writing approach. We begin by immersing pupils in high-quality texts that spark imagination and model rich language. From captivating stories to persuasive letters, children explore a wide range of genres and styles. Through guided lessons, children learn how to plan, draft, edit and improve their work—building essential skills step by step.

It has been fantastic to see children working hard to develop their writing skills in each class, thoughtfully exploring how their words can influence and resonate with their readers.

#### Friday Celebrations

Jonah Noah Mary Jacob Walk in love: Tiago Freddie Albie Molly My Happy Mind: Amelia Isaac Mila Jacob

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