

Dear Parents



Thank you all for your generous donations to the foodbank for our Harvest festival celebrated in Astbury Church yesterday. Please click on this link to see what will happen to your gift next. <https://youtu.be/T08eXHHqWRk>

### Tomorrow:

Photographs - Tempest will be here to take individual photographs only. Family and siblings will be taken later on in the academic year dependent on COVID-19 restrictions.

### Hello Yellow!

Children are invited to bring in one item of yellow clothing to put on or change into after their school photograph. Please bring £1 per child to support children and young people's mental health. [https://youtu.be/MRWOqx\\_o46M](https://youtu.be/MRWOqx_o46M)

### Today is 'clean air day' – help us to clean the air around our school

Please switch off your engine whilst dropping off and picking up your child from school. Here's why . . .

Idling creates air pollution and is usually unnecessary. Car idling produces **up to 150 balloons of exhaust emissions per minute** which contains harmful chemicals like cyanide, nitrogen oxides (NOx) and tiny particles called PM<sub>2.5</sub>



The air pollution created by engine emissions is known to **contribute to many health issues**, including asthma, lung disease, heart attacks and cancer. The Royal College of Physicians say 40,000 premature deaths a year are linked to air pollution, with car idling being a contributing factor. **Children** and the elderly **are particularly vulnerable**, as are people with existing conditions such as asthma and other lung complaints



Idling is also **an offence in law** under Regulation 98 of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986, as amended, which makes it a requirement for drivers to switch off engines in stationary vehicles. Drivers who are caught idling by our civil enforcement officers will be asked to turn off their engines and warned that failing to do so will lead to a fine. If the driver refuses to switch off their engine after the request, they will be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) of £20. The notice must be paid within 28 days, or it will increase to £40.

### Red head bump bands

We are no longer giving children a red head bump band if they've had a head bump. When a head bump occurs, we will email parents a picture of the accident form, send a text home and put a bumped head letter in the child's bag.



**Celebration awards**  
25<sup>th</sup> September 2020:

	<b><u>Noah</u></b>	<b><u>Mary</u></b>	<b><u>Jacob</u></b>	
Care, share and learn	Harrison	Leo	Maisie	
Walk in love	Seren	Riley	Rowan	
Secrets of success	Joseph	Charlie	William and Ella	
Attendance	96.8%	98.2%	99.2%	
<b><u>Team Points</u></b>	<b>St Andrew</b>	<b>St Patrick</b>	<b>St George</b>	<b>St David</b>
	69	67	75	75

2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020:

	<b><u>Noah</u></b>	<b><u>Mary</u></b>	<b><u>Jacob</u></b>	
Care, share and learn	Henry	Bradley	Danielle	
Walk in love	Lily Lou	Freya	Charlotte	
Secrets of success	Henry	Josh	Jodi	
Attendance	96%	94.9%	95.1%	
<b><u>Team Points</u></b>	<b>St Andrew</b>	<b>St Patrick</b>	<b>St George</b>	<b>St David</b>
	73	46	53	80

**Pupil councils**

Congratulations to all children elected onto our pupil councils this year.



School Council



Safety Council



Ethos council

## **ParentPay**

As Alison will no longer be taking cash payments for snacks after the half term, we are asking for several volunteers to trial paying for snacks through ParentPay before the October half term. Please get in contact if you would like to help us with this.

[admin@astbury.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@astbury.cheshire.sch.uk)

## **Congleton Rotary competition**

The Rotary Club of Congleton is launching a 2020 Guy Fawkes' Competition. Rotary have said that just because there's a pandemic, there's no need to forget Guy Fawkes' night on November 5th and they hope that as many people as possible will join in.

The competition is open to all households with a Congleton postcode, with entrants displaying their Guys in their front gardens. Entries must be visible from the road. They will be photographed and the winner will receive a first prize of £50.

The guys must be displayed prominently on private land from October 22<sup>nd</sup> and can be removed and disposed of safely in the usual way on November 5<sup>th</sup>. Photographs of the Guys will be taken during the last few days of October and the winner announced shortly afterwards.

The cost of entry for the Guy Fawkes competition is £5 and the entry form and full rules are available on the club's [www.congletonrotary.co.uk](http://www.congletonrotary.co.uk) website. The entry fee is easy to pay online. Only entries that are registered and the entry fee paid will be eligible to win the prize.

There are very few rules. Guys must be a minimum of 1 metre tall and displayed prominently. The safety of passing motorists and pedestrians must be foremost when positioning the guy. The winning entry from last year's Rotary schools competition is being featured on eye-catching posters to promote the competition that will be appearing throughout the town centre. The Rotary hopes that as many people as possible will want to join in.

Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 the popular bonfire and firework display in the park is cancelled this year. The event is normally one of the club's major annual fund-raising events supporting many local deserving causes.

Many of the Rotary Club's regular activities have been either cancelled or postponed, so the Guy Fawkes competition is a way to remind people that their work in the community is still continuing.

## **Diary Dates:**

Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual photographs.  Bring an item of yellow to change into or put on to support children and young persons' mental health day. £1 donation.
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	SEN Parents' appointments. Letters have been sent out, please contact school to confirm your attendance.
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	SEN Parents' appointments. Letters have been sent out, please contact school to confirm your attendance.
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	School closes for half term
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	School opens for pupils