

Adswood Primary School

Newsletter



October 2023

Dear Parents/ Carers,

School is such an exciting place for your children to learn and grow each day. All classes are settled and have transitioned well since the start of this academic year. As I walk around school each day I am very proud of them all. I recently looked at their work books for English and Maths and I was blown away by all their hard work, neat presentation and their ability to be able to talk about their learning. Lots of work is displayed on the 'WOW' walls outside each classroom and your children are always happy to share their learning with me. Well done to all our children. Please ask about their learning at home each day and allow then to share their experiences of school.



During our weekly whole school **assemblies** we have talked about our value this month – Kindness. What being kind looks like, how it makes you feel and how we can be kind to all. We have learnt to sign in our assemblies to Harry Styles – Treat people with kindness. Ask your child to show you the signs!

Our **children's voice** is the centre of our improvement in school. The school is led by our children. Their voice matters and we learn from them. We host a children's voice fortnightly to ensure they are heard. This week we have asked our children about reading – do they enjoy reading? Which books do they enjoy? How could we improve our library? How could we improve reading in school? The responses are then shared and feed into our school improvement planning.

Reading continues to be a focus in school with lots of opportunities for our children to share reading books, read in class, read to others and enjoy time in the reading rocket (library) in school. If you have any questions about reading please get in touch with our English leads in school Miss McFadyen and Mrs Ayers or contact your class team via seesaw.



Seesaw continues to be the main line of communication with our families. If you do change your mobile phone please come into school for a new scan code for the app. You will receive a number of photos/messages via the app but we have looked at feedback from last questionnaire and are not sending out as many as it was noted that it can sometimes be overwhelming to receive lots throughout the school day. I hope you agree, the photos really capture our learning environments in our school and showcase their learning.

HERO Attendance and Punctuality Incentive – already this has had an impact on children's attendance and punctuality in school. They are keen to earn our school HERO monkey each week with extra play for the winning class. Thank you for supporting your children in ensuring they are – **Here, Everyday, Ready to learn, On time.** Our attendance lead is Mr Clarke. Please notify the school office on the phone line or complete the website school spider option to notify of absence each day. Let's aim to achieve our whole school target of 97% or above this year!

SEND Coffee Morning – We hope you found this a useful morning for those who attended. Mrs Gee and a Stockport SEND advisor hosted the morning and it was an opportunity to share experiences and seek advice from others. They are a number of services available within the borough that offer support. Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Gee for any information.

Enjoy, Believe, Achieve Awards – We are still one of a few primary schools in Stockport to produce a life skills curriculum to ensure that our children are learning skills for life. Each child in our school has their own EBA book that follows them though school until they leave in Year 6. They collect many stickers and awards throughout. We are very proud of these booklets and what they stand for.

Governor Visits – Our Governors play a very active role in school and often visit classrooms and observe teaching and learning. The Governors are listed on our website. Janet Dancy is our Chair of Governors. The Governing Body are a crucial part of our school development and work closely with our team.

Cheadle Hulme School – Our Year 5 class visited the Cheadle Hulme School to complete a Science workshop. This was an opportunity for our children to learn in a Science Lab using a range of equipment! The school continues to support our community and hosts events through the school year. The school also organises a group of volunteers to come and read with our children once a week. The support we receive is impacting on learning for so many of our children.



Stockport County FC- Every Friday Stockport County coaches are in school to deliver a mental and physical health workshop to our year 6 children. We have signed up to the club for any additional support so look out for football events, sports fixtures in the coming months!



Bible Encounter Assembly – Thank you as always to Julie Frazer who delivered an inspiring assembly last week. Julie is animated and the children are gripped by her storytelling. Bible Encounters will continue to deliver assemblies throughout the year. They have invited us to a Christmas event for our Year 3 children at St Matthews church in December – more details will follow.



Awards - We award our children in many ways throughout the school day from verbal praise to stickers, certificates to star of the day/week, work displayed on Wow walls and Always Awards, roles and responsibilities around school to name a few. Positive responses raises self-esteem and

creates a positive climate and ethos in our school – one of which we are very proud of. A recent visit by the LA advisor confirmed that we are 'gold standard' in Stockport. Well done #TeamAdswood!

We regularly update our **website** to ensure current information is on there. Please use our website to find out more about the education we offer our children.

Road Safety Days – Local Authority leads will be delivering road safety to our Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 next week. This is an essential life skill that benefit our children. We are conscious that the number of cars pulling up on the pavement outside school has increased since our return. Please park and walk and try and keep this part of the road free and put our children first. Thank you for your support in this.

We have lots of exciting events coming up in school here are a few reminders -

- **SEND Parents/carer Evening** Wednesday 11th October
- Parents Evening whole school Wednesday 18th October
- Harvest Festival For Year 1 at Davenport Church Monday 2nd October
- NHS School Flu Vaccination Day -Tuesday 3rd October
- All Hallows Church Visit Year 6 Tuesday 3rd October
- Year 5 Poetry Workshop- Thursday 5th October
- **Stay and Play Reception parents** Thursday 5th October 9am-10am come along and stay and learn with your child!
- Stay and Play Nursery parents Friday 6th October 9am-10am come along and stay and learn with your child!
- **Parents V Staff Rounder's Match** if you fancy a bit of competition, please join us for a 'friendly' match on the astroturf after school on Tuesday 10th October at 3.20pm
- Open morning for new nursery and reception parents 2024 Thursday 12th October 9.30am
- **Theme Week** I have a dream... Aspirations week for all children Monday 16th October
- Open morning for new parents to Nursery and Reception 2024 9.30am Tuesday 17th
 October
- **Halloween Disco** Please get a ticket from our school office for year groups Reception Year 3 (different times please note) Thursday 19th October fancy dress!
- Green Day for Khia Friday 20th October please wear a green item of clothing, a sock or even a bobble and donate via parentpay to the rehabilitation centre where Khia is receiving support. Keep fighting Khia.
- Friday 20th October school closes for half term

- School reopens – Monday 30 th October
Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or queries.
Mrs Smart and the Adswood Team.