



Adswood Primary School



Newsletter

October 2022

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 good work 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 them to share their experiences of school.

During our weekly key stage **assemblies** we have talked about 'Little People, Big Dreams'. Mr Smith led an assembly on Tiger Woods this week in KS2 and Mr Gee is sharing the story of John Lennon and his music career with The Beatles. Miss McFadyen delivered an assembly on Rosa Parks last week focussed on how we are all unique and each of us important. The assemblies will continue this term.

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 use a learner suggestion box in school, mind maps and children's voice fortnightly to ensure they are heard.

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. Currently due to the change in scheme in EYFS and KS1, KS2 Year 3/4, we are assessing reading ages and comprehension ability to ensure we have accurate data. Reading books are new and were purchased from the summer fair donations last year. We look forward to sharing the range of books with you and hope you enjoy reading with your child at home. If you have any questions about reading please get in touch with our English leads in school Miss McFadyen and Miss Richardson.

Engagement with parents/carers

Parents/carer Evening – Wednesday 12th October – more details to follow on seesaw to arrange your appointments.

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.

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.

Our Planet Earth Week – The theme week was delivered on week 1 and was a huge success throughout school. Children learnt about our planet and how we need to look after the environment and living things to ensure a better future for all. They produced lots of fantastic art work, fact files and much more!

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.

SEND Coffee Morning – We hope you found this a useful morning for those who attended. Mrs Gee and our Inclusion lead from the Local Authority Heather Newton 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 see the Stockport Council website.

Enjoy, Believe, Achieve Awards – We were one of the first 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 through 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.

Road Safety Days – Local Authority leads have delivered road safety to our Year 2 children and Year 6 this 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.

Vacancies – We have a midday vacancy in school. These will be advertised via the Stockport Council website. If you are interested please apply.

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

- EYFS opening morning – Tuesday 4th October – details to be sent to those parents via seesaw
- Parent/Carer Meetings – Wednesday 12th October – appointments to be arranged next week
- Dental Nurse Visit to Year 4
- Year 5 trip to Cheadle Hulme School – Space Workshop

- Year 3 Stone Age Workshop – 20th October
- Green Day for Khia – Friday 21st October – details to follow
- Finish for half term – Friday 21st October

If you need a copy of the yearly plan of dates please ask at the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Smart and the Adswood Team.