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Friday 14th November 2025

Edition 239

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Hello from the Head...

It has been a jam-packed ACE week full of learning and opportunities, including our inaugural House Team Dodgeball competition! Results in assembly today. We welcomed our Governors into school on Tuesday and had an excellent day of collaboration and support. On Wednesday it was lovely to see Sharks in their class assembly, showcasing so much of what they have learnt so far this term. Well done Sharks. Penguins had a great day out at the Bug Parc yesterday – thank you to all of the helpers who went along and enabled our Penguins to have an enriching day out.

We have been celebrating Anti-Bullying Week this week with the theme 'Power for Good.' I have been really impressed with the range of work, understanding and enthusiasm around this across the school. We held a poignant Remembrance Service on Tuesday, thank you to Mr Dart for playing 'The Last Post' and for all of your kind donations to our fantastic Year 5 poppy sellers, Edie and Lottie!

Friends Updates:

Our newly formed Friends have been busy getting ready for the festive season! Please look out on their X page @AstleyFriends and at the posters around school advertising the Christmas Fair on Friday 5th December.

Friends hot chocolate Fridays are back – we are hoping for card payments to be set up soon, however for now please bring cash. On Friday 21st November, we are holding a non-uniform mufti day for raffle and tombola prize donations (e.g. gifts, wrapped sweets, wine, boxes of chocolates / biscuits etc.) Please bring any donations for the raffle and tombola to the office.

Would you like a table at the Christmas Fair? Do you know someone, or a small company who would like a table selling gifts or their products? It is just £15 per table. Contact the Friends h.gregory259@btinternet.com or pop into the school office. The Friends will be selling loved Christmas jumpers for 50p leading up to the festive season. If you have any unwanted children's Christmas jumpers please bring them in to the office. Thank you in advance.

We are so excited for the ACE Art Day on Monday! The theme of the day is community, so there will be a range of creative activities that involve working together across the whole school. We will also be working with the local community creating a project that will appear in an Arts Festival in Melton Constable Tin Church in May 2026. Thank you to the Friends of Astley who have contributed to resources for the day, we are really grateful! We hope you can join us for the Monday Open Morning as well as popping in to see our work at 3pm. Don't forget to wear your class colour and bring an old t-shirt to turn into your apron for the day! Today Mrs Patten has chosen our Friyay feel good songs, have a great weekend.



We have been adopted by the Reef!



11/11/2025



Craft Club



Mrs Goakes



#friyay #weareastley #weareace #wellbethereforyou





TOP CLASS ATTENDANCE:

TURTLES



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ACE LEARNING THEME:

DILIGENCE



RANK	NAME	CLASS
1	Hector Young	Penguins
2	Jack McFarlane	Turtles
3	Kacie George	Dolphins
4	Mia Young	Turtles
5	Isla Willimott	Penguins

ASTLEY CALENDAR AND EVENTS

Friday 14th November after school:

Friday 14th November:

Monday 17th November:

Wednesday 19th November 2:45pm:

Friday 21st November:

w/c 24th November:

Tuesday 25th November 4:30pm:

Wednesday 26th November:

Wednesday 26th November:

Wednesday 26th November 2:45pm:

Thursday 27th November:

Friday 28th November after school at the hatch:

DECEMBER:

Monday 1st December after school at the hatch:

Tuesday 2nd December after school at the hatch:

Tuesday 2nd December:

Wednesday 3rd December:

Thursday 4th December:

Friday 5th December 9:05am:

w/c 8th December:

Tuesday 16th December 2pm:

Wednesday 17th December 9:15am:

Wednesday 17th December afternoon:

Thursday 18th December:

Friday 19th December:

Wednesday 7th January 2026:

w/c 16th February:

Monday 23rd February:

Friday 27th March:

Monday 13th April:

Monday 4th May:

w/c 25th May:

Tuesday 16th June:

Thurs 25th/Fri 26th June:

Friday 17th July:

Friends Hot Chocolate Fridays are back! Please bring cash.

Children in Need – Pyjama Day! Bring some pennies for Pudsey.

Art ACE Focus Day – Open Morning Sharing 8:30-9:30am

Dolphins Class Assembly

Non-Uniform / Mufti Day – bring in donations / prizes for Christmas Fair

Assessment Week

Governors Meeting

Turtles visit to Time and Tide Museum

Bears Family Forest School Open Session – morning, details tbc

Penguins Class Assembly

Dolphins visit to West Stow

Father Christmas slots available to book (Christmas Fair)

CHRISTMAS JUMPER MONTH

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Morning: Dolphins Family Forest School Open Session details tbc

Afternoon: Turtles Family Forest School Open Session details tbc

Bears visit to Holkham Christmas Magic

Penguins and Sharks Handball Active Education sessions – PE kits please

Final Celebration Assembly

Friends Christmas Fair – details coming soon tbc

Sharks Parents Progress Meetings this week

Final swimming session and Forest Schools this week

FS/KS1 Christmas Show for families

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Class Party Afternoon

Christmas Dinner Day

End of term – Christmas holidays – finish at 1:15pm

Spring One – children back

Half Term

Spring Two – children back

End of Term – Easter Holidays

Summer One – children back

School closed- bank holiday

Half Term

Sports Day KS2 morning, KS1 afternoon

School closed – training days

End of Summer Term – Summer Holiday – finish at 1:15pm