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Hello from the Head...

Welcome Back! A really warm welcome back to our existing families and a special first-time welcome to our brand-new Bears. We are delighted that you are all part of our ACE community, and we hope you are as excited about the year ahead as we are.

Thank you for choosing to be part of Team Astley. It is a privilege to play a role in your children's journey, and we look forward to continuing to make Astley a very special place to learn, grow and thrive.

I am passionate about providing consistency, fun, a safe environment and a wide range of opportunities for all pupils. Equally important is ensuring that parents and carers receive clear communication, feel well informed and know that we are always here to support you.

The school has been buzzing with excitement as we prepare for the new year. Our staff team has been busy planning engaging learning experiences, enriching opportunities and memorable moments for every child. We have high expectations for all our pupils and are committed to helping every child achieve their very best while enjoying their time at school.

Thank you for your support in ensuring children return to school looking smart and ready to learn. School uniform helps children develop a sense of belonging and pride in our community. Please remember that all items of clothing should be clearly named and jewellery should be kept to a minimum, with only small stud earrings permitted. Equally smart PE kits should be worn to school on the designated days shared by class teachers. If you need any support with uniform, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

We love welcoming families into school and sharing the wonderful things that our children are achieving. Throughout the year there will be opportunities to attend assemblies, celebration events, performances and weekly open mornings. Our first open morning takes place today and provides a fantastic opportunity to visit classrooms, meet staff and see learning in action. We hope many of you will be able to join us every Friday morning. The first Celebration Assembly will be next Friday 11th September at 9:05am.

Don't forget to follow our school Instagram account to keep up to date with life at Astley. We regularly share photographs, celebrations, reminders and highlights from across the school, giving you a glimpse into the exciting experiences our children enjoy every day @astleyprimary

Strong relationships between home and school are at the heart of everything we do. If you have a question, concern or simply need some clarification, please get in touch. Class teachers are usually the best first point of contact, but members of the leadership and office team are always happy to help if needed. We would much rather hear from you early so that we can work together to support your child. Communication and partnership are key to a successful school experience, and we value your feedback and involvement throughout the year.

Please take a look at the dates overleaf for key events and reminders for the autumn term. We will continue to share updates through newsletters, Arbor and Instagram to ensure you have all the information you need.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we can make this another fantastic year of learning, achievement and opportunity for every child at Astley. Here's to an ACE year ahead!



Mrs Goakes



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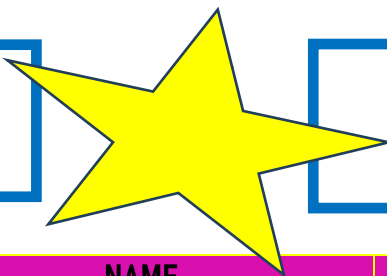
TOP CLASS ATTENDANCE:

SHARED WEEKLY



ACE LEARNING THEME:

SETTING GOALS



RANK	NAME	CLASS
1	Poppy Kemp	Penguins
2	Toby Forsyth	Sharks
3	Darcey Allen	Sharks
4	Blossom Hendy	Sharks
5	Logan Damerell	Sharks

ASTLEY CALENDAR AND EVENTS

Friday 4 th September 8:30-9am:	First Open Morning – classes open, please join us
Monday 7 th September:	Penguins swimming starts today
Monday 7 th September 7pm:	Club bookings live and open on Arbor
Tuesday 8 th September:	Turtles and Dolphins Forest School starts today
Tuesday 8 th September 4:30pm:	Governors Meeting
Wednesday 9 th September:	Bears Forest School starts today
Friday 11 th September 9:05am:	First Celebration Assembly (and then every Friday unless otherwise stated)
w/c 14 th September:	Clubs start this week
Wednesday 16 th – Friday 18 th September:	Sharks Residential to Hilltop
Wednesday 23 rd September:	Individual pupil photographs
Wednesday 30 th September 2:45pm:	Tigers Class Assembly
Friday 2 nd October:	ACE European Day of Languages
Wednesday 7 th October 2:45pm:	Lions Class Assembly
w/c 12 th October:	Last week of Autumn One Clubs this week
Wednesday 14 th October 2:45pm:	Bears Class Assembly
w/c 19 th October:	Parents Evenings this week – details to follow
Wednesday 21 st October 2:45pm:	Sharks Class Assembly
Thursday 22 nd October:	Last day of half term – usual 3:15pm finish
Friday 23 rd October:	School closed – training day
w/c 26 th October:	Half Term
Monday 2 nd November:	Start of Autumn Two – pupils back to school
Wednesday 4 th November:	Whole school nasal flu vaccinations
Wednesday 11 th November:	School Remembrance Service
Wednesday 11 th November 2:45pm:	Penguins Class Assembly
w/c 16 th November:	Anti Bullying Week – details to follow
Wednesday 18 th November 2:45pm:	Dolphins Class Assembly
Wednesday 25 th November 2:45pm:	Turtles Class Assembly
DECEMBER:	CHRISTMAS JUMPER MONTH
Wednesday 2 nd December:	Bears and Sharks Vision and Hearing
Friday 4 th December 9:05am:	Final Celebration Assembly
w/c 7 th December:	Sharks Parents Progress Meetings this week
w/c 7 th December:	Last week of Forest School this week
Monday 14 th December:	Christmas Show Dress Rehearsal (Bears, Lions and Tigers)
Tuesday 15 th December 9:15am:	Christmas Show – Families
Wednesday 16 th December 2pm:	Christmas Show – Families
Thursday 17 th December:	Christmas Lunch and Party Day
Friday 18 th December 1:15pm:	Last day of Autumn Term – 1:15pm finish
Friday 18 th December:	End of Autumn Term – 1:15pm finish for Christmas Holidays
Wednesday 6 th January 2027:	Start of Spring Term – pupils back to school
w/c 15 th February:	Half Term
Thursday 25 th March:	End of Spring Term – Easter Holidays – usual 3:15pm finish
Monday 12 th April:	Start of Summer Term – pupils back to school
Monday 3 rd May:	Bank holiday – school closed
w/c 31 st May:	Half term
Monday 7 th June:	Start of Summer Two – pupils back to school
Thursday 1 st and Friday 2 nd July:	School closed – training days
Tuesday 20 th July:	Last day of Summer Term – Summer Holiday – finish at 1:15pm