



# Astley Advertiser

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Edition 166

 01263 860212  [www.astleyprimary.org.uk](http://www.astleyprimary.org.uk)  [office@astleyprimary.org.uk](mailto:office@astleyprimary.org.uk)  [@Astley\\_Primary](https://twitter.com/Astley_Primary)

## Hello from the Head...

Another ACE week draws to a close and I can't help but feel extremely proud of our school community. Our ACE ILLUMINATIONS event last Friday was a pure display of team; a true collaboration and a massive amount of support for the school. The total profit is yet to be finalised and I will let you know as soon as we do. A big big thank you goes to the brilliant Friends of Astley, and the long list of staff who helped out on the night and gave their time.

Our Turtles took to the stage on Wednesday and shone in their assembly; I loved hearing everything they have been learning and the confidence and joy with which they delivered it was great. Our Bears experienced the Christmas Magic of Holkham yesterday – a super day was had by all. Exciting – today marks our Cracking Christmas Conker Competition organised by Mr Dart. Finals to take place – watch this space!

This week marked the end of Forest School for our Penguins and Sharks. They have had an enriching term immersing themselves in nature and skills for life with our brilliant Mr Dart. After Christmas it will be the turn of Turtles and Dolphins to do Forest School every Tuesday. A letter will be sent home soon with all the information you need to be well prepared. Bears class will continue their weekly sessions.

Penguins have their last swimming session next week, and after Christmas it will be Dolphins class who swim. This will be every Wednesday starting on 10<sup>th</sup> January. Look out for a letter with further information.

You may have spotted the Christmas post-boxes ready and waiting. There is one at the entrance of Hastings and one outside the office. Children are welcome to post their friends' Christmas cards in here for delivery... but please ensure there is a clear name, surname and class on the envelope!

As the term comes to an end, we say goodbye to two ACE people. After several years of hard work and enthusiasm, Mr Sayer leaves us for pastures new at a specialist school, and after many years of dedication and passion to all things Astley, Mrs Herring is taking her well-earned retirement. Mrs Herring leaves on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> and Mr Sayer leaves on the last day, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. We will miss them both very much and wish them all the luck and happiness for the future.

Enjoy the Christmas tunes this week, and have a wonderful weekend.



TOP CLASS ATTENDANCE:



**SHARKS - 98.6%**

**WOW!**



ACE LEARNING THEME:



**CREATIVITY**



RANK	NAME	CLASS
1	Jesse Fisher	Sharks
2	Roseanna McNally	Dolphins
3	Ella Whatling	Dolphins
4	Oliver Kitchen	Sharks
5	Macie Goodwin	Penguins

RANK	NAME	CLASS
1	Pixie Massingham	Sharks
2	Scarlett Massingham	Lions
3	Ethan Curtis	Penguins
4	Freddie Kemp	Penguins
5	Bella Dagless	Penguins



## ASTLEY CALENDAR AND EVENTS

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> December:

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> December:

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> December:

Weds 13<sup>th</sup> December:

Weds 13<sup>th</sup> December:

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> December:

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> December 10am:

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> December 2:15pm:

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> December 9:15am:

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> December:

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> December afternoon:

Weds 20<sup>th</sup> December 1:15pm:

Christmas Conker Competition

Dolphins trip to the Cinema

Penguins trip to the Sealife Centre

Lions and Tigers trip to the panto – Sheringham

Last Penguins Swimming Session

Craft Club Visit to Briston Church Christmas Tree Festival

Bears, Lions & Tigers Christmas Show - SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

Bears, Lions & Tigers Christmas Show - FAMILIES PERFORMANCE

Bears, Lions & Tigers Christmas Show - FAMILIES PERFORMANCE

Christmas Lunch

Class Parties – courtesy of the Friends

End of Autumn Term (Christmas Holiday) 1:15pm finish

Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> January:

Weds 10<sup>th</sup> January:

w/c 15<sup>th</sup> January:

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> January:

Weds 17<sup>th</sup> January 2:45pm:

Weds 24<sup>th</sup> January 2:45pm:

Tues 30<sup>th</sup> January 5pm:

Weds 31<sup>st</sup> January 2:45pm:

Tues 6<sup>th</sup> February:

Tues 6<sup>th</sup> February:

Weds 7<sup>th</sup> February 2:45pm:

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> February:

w/c 19<sup>th</sup> February:

Spring One – children back

Dolphins first swimming session – sessions every Weds, letter to follow

Clubs start this week

Governors Meeting

Lions Class Assembly

Dolphins Class Assembly

Sharks PGL Residential Information Meeting

Tigers Class Assembly

Safer Internet ACE Day

Sharks STEAM Competition at Gresham's

Bears Class Assembly

Pancake Races

Half Term

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> February:

w/c 4<sup>th</sup> March

Weds 6<sup>th</sup> March 2:45pm:

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> March:

w/c 11<sup>th</sup> March:

Weds 13<sup>th</sup> March 2:45pm:

Spring Two – children back

Assessment Week

Turtles Class Assembly

World Book Day

Parents Evenings this week

Sharks Class Assembly

Weds 27<sup>th</sup> March:

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April:

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May:

w/c 27<sup>th</sup> May:

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June:

Tues 18<sup>th</sup> June:

Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> June:

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> June:

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> July:

End of Spring Term (Easter Holiday) – usual 3:15pm finish

Summer One – children back

Bank Holiday – school closed

Half Term

Summer Two – children back

Sports Day Key Stage Two morning, Key Stage One afternoon

School closed

School open as usual

End of Summer Term (Summer Holiday) 1:15pm finish