



Astley Primary School

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Learning is ACE

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Dear Parents/carers,



Welcome to Dolphin Class and a new term at Astley!

We hope that you and your child have had a good summer break and are looking forward to a fantastic year ahead with lots of opportunities to learn and develop greater understanding in the many different curriculum areas. I'm very excited to be your child's class teacher this year and this letter is just to let you know what our class will be focusing on in lessons over the next term and additional information to help with a smooth start to the year.

The following adults will be helping and supporting your child within the class:



Mrs Hamilton
Class Teacher



Mrs Clare
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Alford
HLTA

Drop-off and Pick-up times:

Please be aware of the following key timings and ensure that you are on the playground ready to collect your child at the end of the day. If for any unavoidable reason you are unable to arrive at school on time, please contact the office as soon as possible.

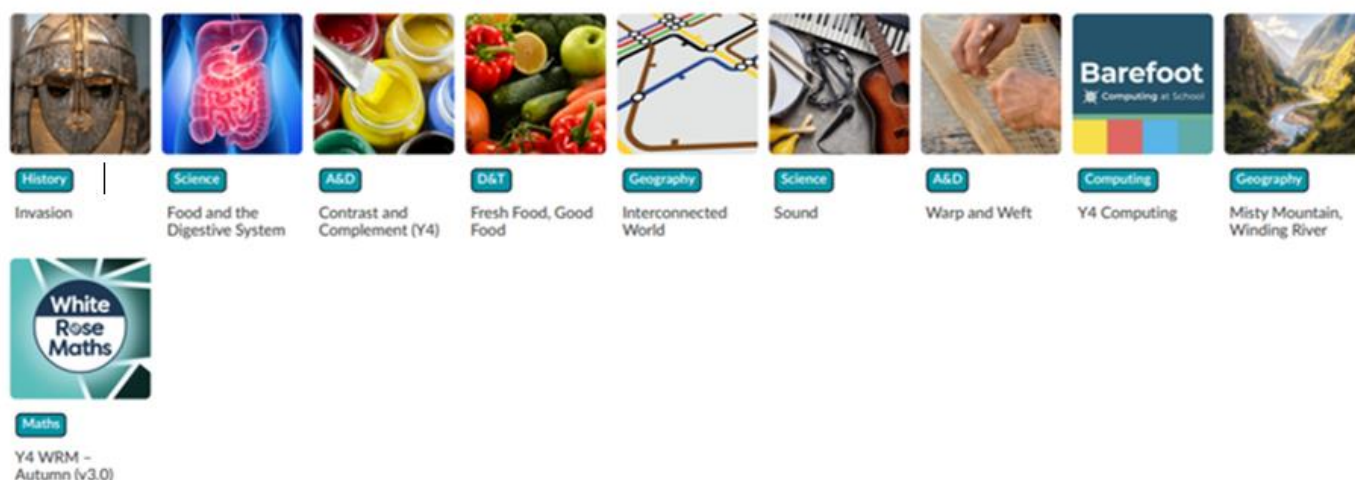
Class	DROP OFF	PICK UP
Dolphin Class	8:30-8:45 am	3:15 pm

Dolphin class will enter and exit the school through the door at the end of the corridor (door nearest Penguin and Shark classrooms).

Curriculum:

The children will be following the National Curriculum for Literacy and Maths. We will be using Cornerstones to follow a range of Foundation Stage topics (Science, Computing, History, Geography, DT, Art and RE) which can be seen below. Other Foundation Subject topics for the Autumn Term are also shown below.

Year 4



Subject	Area of Study:	Subject	Area of Study:
Life Skills	Me and my relationships. Valuing Difference	Music	Mamma Mia. Harvest Songs. Glockenspiel Stage 2. Singing Carols.
Primary Languages (French)	Welcome to school super learners. Bonfire night poem. Classroom commands. Places in town. Christmas shopping.	PE	Real PE – Social and Health and Fitness. Run, jump, and throw. Outdoor adventurous activities. Real Gym.
Religious Education	Who was Muhammad and what is the Qur'an? How do Muslims express commitment to Islam?	Computing	E-safety. The Internet Data Logging.

What your Child needs to bring:

Your child should come in school uniform unless it is their PE day. There will be a hot dinner, jacket potato and a packed lunch option available but if your child would prefer a packed lunch from home, please send them in with this. Children are encouraged to bring a water bottle into school so that they can keep hydrated and work even harder! Please ensure your child's bottle is named and that it contains water as outlined in our school policy.

PE:

PE is timetabled for a **Monday and Thursday**. Your child should come to school in their PE kit on these days. This should be a plain white or house team coloured t shirt, dark shorts, and trainers. There should be no big logos or emblems, and no football kits. Please ensure long hair is tied back and earrings are removed on these days. On colder days you may want your child to wear a warmer top and tracksuit bottom over the top.

Reading and Homework:

Your child will have a **blue reading journal** and will be given a **school reading book** appropriate to their reading level. In addition, your child will have the opportunity to choose a book from the library to read for personal pleasure. Your child will complete a chosen comprehension task in their journal on a weekly basis. Please ensure **reading journals are brought into school daily**. Please remember to record when you have listened to your child read. This will be acknowledged by staff on a Wednesday during the ACE book share and your child may be put forward to receive a reading prize!

For maths homework, children are expected to practice the times tables that they are focussing on in class in preparation for weekly test practise. These can be practised in whichever way suits you best. If you have access to the internet, your child can use TT Rockstars giving them access to games and practice tests that monitor their progress.

In addition to this, children will be sent home with focussed spellings.

Home/school Contact:

Please send us a note or feel free to make an appointment at the office if you have any queries or would like to discuss any aspects of the curriculum or your child's education.

To find out more about what we have been up to in class, please follow us on 'X' @Astley_Primary4.

Our weekly Astley Advertiser also gives key dates and information about what is happening in school.

I cannot wait to see your child on Wednesday and look forward to hearing all about their summer holiday.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Hamilton
Dolphins Class Teacher