

Friday 06 May 2022

## Weekly Letter



Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope my letter finds you all safe and well.

Our covid case numbers have remained extremely low and we are enjoying the feeling of returning to normal. We are looking forward to being able to welcome you back onsite this term as we have a lot of exciting events taking place.

### Sharing in our learning

Sessions will be taking place onsite again this term, for those new parents this is an opportunity to come into school and spend time working alongside your son/daughter in their class, getting a first-hand experience of their learning environment and the types of activities they are engaging in, plus having lots of fun. It is also an opportunity to meet class staff and other parents and carers too. Class teachers will be in touch over the next few weeks with further details.

### Eid al-Fitr Celebrations

This week we have been celebrating Eid, the end of the Islamic holy month of Ramadan. Each class has been learning about Ramadan and its importance to people of the Muslim faith and the fun and celebrations that follow. Miss Howarth is putting together a blog with lots of photographs of the children celebrating. Here is a great video with information about the celebration. <https://youtu.be/6OF4HEGNBRQ>. Eid Mubarak everyone.

### Mental Health Awareness week

Next week is Mental Health Awareness week, on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May we are asking pupils and staff to wear an item of green clothing, or their own clothes to mark the day. This year's theme is loneliness. The pandemic and various lockdowns have left many people feeling isolated and alone and Mental Health Awareness week is a great opportunity to put our school values into action and offer kindness to others who may be struggling.

### Parent Governor Vacancy

Last week I wrote to you about an exciting opportunity to join our Governing Body as a Parent Governor, we have received one application so far. If you are interested and would like an informal discussion about the role of governor, please feel free to get in touch with Mrs Wendy Blundell, Chair of Governors [blundellw@astleypark.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:blundellw@astleypark.lancs.sch.uk) who would be happy to give you further information about the role. If you are interested, please complete the link [Parent Governor Notice of Election Ms Form](#) by the deadline of 9am Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May.



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### Staffing update

Miss Howarth Teaching Assistant Level 1 and Miss Connolly Teaching Assistant Level 2 are moving on to pastures new. I am sure you will join me in thanking them both for their service to the school and wishing them well for the future.

I'll look forward to seeing you all at one of our summer term events.

Kindest regards,

Kieran Welsh  
Headteacher

