Friday 10 June 2022

**Headteacher Letter: Welcome Back**

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope my letter finds you all safe and well and you all enjoyed the half-term break and the extended bank holiday weekend.

**Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

We ended last term with our Queen’s Platinum Jubilee celebrations alongside a traditional fairground theme day. We had a fabulous day filled with lots of fun and laughter. The staff team worked so hard, going above and beyond to ensure the pupils had the best day possible and they really did. I am sure you will have seen all the fantastic fun we had on the class blogs and those pupils that are able will have told you all about it. It really was a very special day, made possible by the fantastic teamwork and dedication of the staff here at school.

**Summer Fair – Saturday 18th June 10am – 2pm**

We are looking forward to our Summer Fair. It is always a great day, and this year it will be extra special as it will be our first whole school face to face event. Please do come along between 10am and 2pm. I’ll be in the stocks between 12 and 12.30pm, don’t miss your chance to throw a wet sponge at the Headteacher. It’s usually quite popular and there is often a long queue of pupils and staff 😉 Ha Ha!

**Holiday Heroes & Before**

Our May half-term Holiday Heroes was a huge success, Mrs Mahood and her team provided lots of great activities and visits and the pupils thoroughly enjoyed it. We will be running Holiday Heroes for 4 weeks in the summer holidays. The club will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the first 4 weeks of the holidays. Mrs Mahood has sent out the booking forms and information. The deadline for the online form to be completed is Sunday 12 June. To be eligible for a fully or partially funded place in the club, your child must be registered with Lancashire County Council's Breaktime scheme as we are now a registered Breaktime provider. If you need help to apply to join the Breaktime scheme, please contact Mrs Mahood who will be happy to help.

**Annual Parent/Carer Survey**

Our annual parent/carer survey link will be shared on Monday 20 June and will be open until Friday 01 July. Please do take the opportunity to share your feedback with us, it is so important to the continual development and improvement of the school. As our main stakeholders your opinions are very important to us and will help us to shape our school development and improvement plans for the next academic year and beyond.

**Parents Evening**

Our Summer term parents evening will be taking place 5pm – 8pm on Tuesday 21st June. Information has been shared via EduLink. Please login and book your preferred appointment time. If you need any help or support booking an appointment, please contact the Business Support Team or your child’s class teacher who will be happy to help.

**Annual Reports**

I am currently reading through all the pupil end of year reports and adding in my Headteacher comments. The reports have been an absolute pleasure to read, and I am amazed by all the wonderful progress the pupils have made despite the unsettled year we have had. The reports will be shared on the Evidence for Learning Family App at the end of the day on Friday 17 June, if you need any help logging on to the app, please contact your child’s class teacher or a member of the Business Support Team and they will be happy to help. We have tried a new report format this year and would welcome your feedback.

**Pride Month and Rainbow Day**

June is Pride month, raising awareness of the LGBTQ community. As part of awareness raising, we will be holding a Rainbow Day on Friday 17th June, each class will be asked to wear a particular colour, to create an Astley Park School rainbow. Classes will be taking part in a range of activities appropriate to their age and understanding recognising and celebrating the diversity of our school, community, and world.

**Sports Week**

Week beginning Monday 20th June will be our Sports Week. We are busy planning lots of fun activities for the pupils to take part in. We will be in touch with more information next week.

**Annual Award Celebrations**

On Friday 24 June 10am – 11am we will be holding our Primary Awards celebration and Year 6 Graduation and on Friday 08 July 10am - 11am our Secondary Awards Celebration. The Senior Leadership Team had the very difficult job of choosing this year’s award winners as there were so many fantastic nominations. If your son or daughter has won an award the Business Support Team will be sending an invitation letter to you next week.

I’ll look forward to seeing you all at the Summer Fair.

Kindest regards,



Kieran Welsh

Headteacher