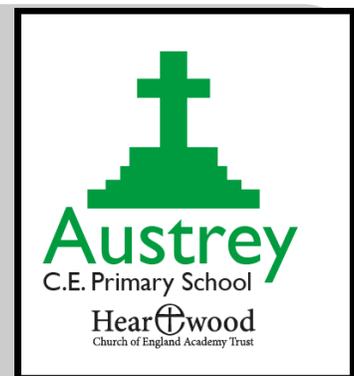


Newsletter
Friday 11th October 2019
Autumn term 1

John 10:10

*Live life in all its fullness through the gifts of
wisdom, hope, dignity and community*



“Every day may not be good, but there is good in every day”

Can we firstly start this newsletter by thanking our whole community for the amazing donations for the Tamworth foodbank. Every single harvest we don't think we can have any more produce and every year it just keeps flooding in. It is massively appreciated by the Tamworth foodbank and it is also important to point out that people come from all the outlying villages around Tamworth to use the foodbank, so your generosity is really spread around. Also a big thanks to everyone who attended the harvest festival, it was extremely well attended and once again it was a very informative and upbeat service by the children.

There are a number of rearranged sporting events that you can see in the diary dates section on page 2 of this newsletter. Obviously this is due to the really wet weather we have had and is ***completely out of our control***. As a result of the rearranged sporting events we have also had to move our first parent/carer consultation meeting for Y1-Y6 to ***Monday 21st October***. We will ensure that reminders are sent out via seesaw. If you aren't subscribed to seesaw yet please speak to your child's class teacher.

Best wishes

Mr Lee Kilkenny, Headteacher

Miss Meg Griffiths, Deputy Headteacher

Our current topics

Wagtail Class

Ourselves

Robin Class

Splendid Skies

Owl Class

Predator

Kingfisher Class

Ancient Greek

Holiday Dates 2019/20

Term ends: Thursday 24th October 2019

INSET Day: Friday 25th October 2019

October Half term: Monday 28th October-Friday 1st November

Return to school: Monday 4th November

Term ends: Friday 20th December

Christmas holiday: Monday 23rd December-Friday 3rd January 2020

INSET Day: Monday 6th January 2020

Return to school: Tuesday 7th January

Term ends: Friday 14th February

Spring term holiday: Monday 17th February-Friday 21st February

Return to school: Monday 24th February

Term ends: Friday 3rd April

Easter holiday: Monday 6th April- Friday 17th April

Return to school: Monday 20th April

Bank Holiday: Friday 8th May to celebrate VE Day

Term ends: Friday 22nd May

Whitsun holiday: Monday 25th May- Friday 29th May

INSET Day: Monday 1st June

Return to school: Tuesday 2nd June

Term ends: Friday 17th July 2020

INSET Day: Monday 20th July

A copy of the dates are also available on the Warwickshire Council website and school website.

Other Key Dates: Check seesaw for updates

Wednesday 16th October: Culmington Manor meeting Y6 pupils and parents only, 6pm start

Thursday 17th October: Y5/6 Girls football

Monday 21st October: Parent/Carer consultation meeting for Y1-Y6 WAS ORIGINALLY 22/10/19

Tuesday 22nd October: Rearranged Cross Country

Thursday 24th October: Break up for half term

Friday 25th October: ***INSET*** closed to pupils

Monday 4th November: Return to school

Wednesday 6th November : Wagtail Parent/Carer consultation meeting

Wednesday 13th November: Y3/4 hockey

Thursday 14th November: Y5/6 Tag rugby

Seesaw Communication App

We are really pleased that seesaw is being used by all classes across the school. As with all new systems there will be little teething problems to begin with. However, on the whole it is proving a very positive app and we know it has already proved its worth on a number of occasions.

Link School

Our newer parents might not know that we have for the past couple of years had great links with a couple of schools in Birmingham. This is to develop British values of tolerance and mutual respect. It also helps with pupils understanding of growing up in a multi cultural society. Our partner school Olive primary had their Ofsted inspection before the summer holiday and were graded *Outstanding* in all areas. Well done to everyone at Olive for an amazing inspection outcome.

Snow White Pantomime

We will be making our annual whole school visit to the Panto again this year to see Snow White at the Hippodrome in Birmingham. It is a fantastic production and the pupils love it. It also enables pupils to experience the theatre and develops many speaking and listening opportunities and many cross curricular links too. Further information will be coming out shortly.

Culmington Manor Meeting

Just a reminder to our *Year 6* parents and pupils that the first meeting for our residential visit to Culmington Manor is on *Wednesday 16th October*. It starts at 6pm and will be held in the hall at Austrey primary. It should last for no more than 45 minutes and we hope to see as many of you there as possible.

Cold/Wet Weather

No apologies for sounding like my mum, but the weather is getting colder and wetter, so can you please ensure that your children come to school with the appropriate clothing to suit the conditions. This is important because we always try to get the pupils outside whatever the weather.

Newsletters

For those of you new to school we try to get newsletters out every 3 to 4 weeks and fill in any gaps via seesaw. If you should misplace your paper copy of the newsletter a copy is available on the website.

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