



# AYSCOUGH FEE HALL SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER: 22/09/23

Dear Parents,

As we come to the end of another busy week, the children have all settled very well back into school life and our usual routines have been reestablished. It is lovely to see everyone playing together outside at break times, with our youngest children now venturing onto the playground to join their older peers, who are always happy to support and look after them.

I would particularly like to commend the children this week for their exceptional politeness to visitors. I have shown several people around the school over the past two weeks, and they always comment on how lovely the children are. The children really are a credit to you and themselves with the manners they show and the confidence they demonstrate. It makes us all feel incredibly proud.

Finally, I am delighted to tell you that repairs to the wall outside school are almost complete. The builders have done a wonderful job of restoring it to its former glory and are hopeful that they will be offsite early next week. I would like to thank you for your understanding and support during the time that the main gates have been out of use; we have managed very well at the beginning and end of the day and have very much appreciated your cooperation with this.

### KINDERGARTEN



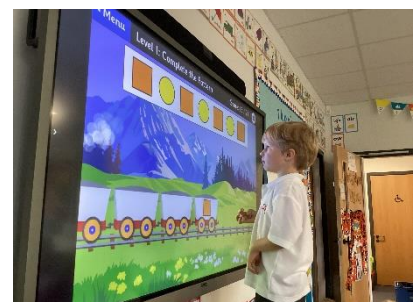
This week we have been reading the story of 'The Three Little Pigs'. We helped make a story map and we are having fun retelling parts of the story. We did some super colour mixing to make our own pigs which look fabulous. We were also so lucky to get our special teddies. We can't wait to take them home with us.



### RECEPTION



Reception class have particularly loved technology this week and we have enjoyed exploring our new interactive board. We have enhanced our learning of patterns and pairs by playing cool new games and have also loved making elaborate maps and drawings to extend and develop our superhero play. The class have thoroughly enjoyed Scraps Phonics and we are all amazed at how quickly they are learning to read and write phonetic words.



## YEAR 1



This week we have used the great story 'Funnybones' in our English lessons. The children have worked hard throughout the week to write about their favourite part, to think of words to describe the skeletons, form sentences to re tell the story and then finally write their own sentences about different places the skeletons could visit. The ideas were great, from playing volleyball on the beach and ending up as a pile of bones, to eating in a restaurant and all the food falling out of the skeleton! We kick started our 'fabric faces' DT project for this term by investigating different fabrics and some of us even had a go at the sewing part of the project. A great, fun-filled week. Well done Year 1.



## YEAR 2



Year 2 have had a busy week! They have started learning about the story of the Good Samaritan and enjoyed acting it out in the classroom! In English we have introduced the concept of vowels and consonants (not to be muddled with 'Continents!') and verbs and have had great fun playing 'Simon says'. In science, we have been looking at the life processes of living things and enjoyed comparing a Kindergarten doll with Mrs Kingman's real baby!



## YEAR 3



Year 3 children had a busy week learning about the prehistoric era. They continued their journey through time with the "Stone Age boy" – the main character in the book we are reading at the moment. The children followed the boy into the forest and wrote their own setting descriptions, using beautiful figurative language. In Maths, the children worked on mastering their place value knowledge: they represented numbers to 1000 in different ways and enjoyed estimating numbers on a number line. Our history lesson saw children design an advert for a Stone Age shelter in the classroom and in science children learned about the process of fossilisation. An engaging and enjoyable week for everyone!





## YEAR 4

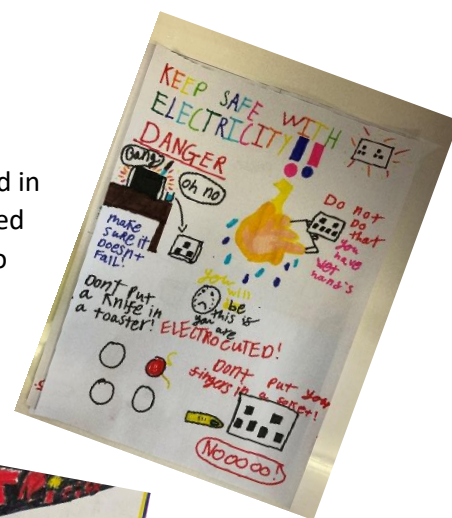
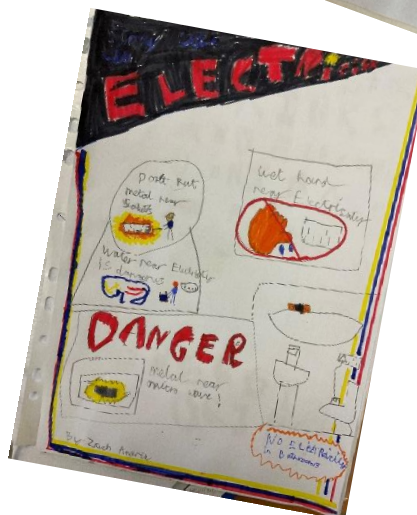
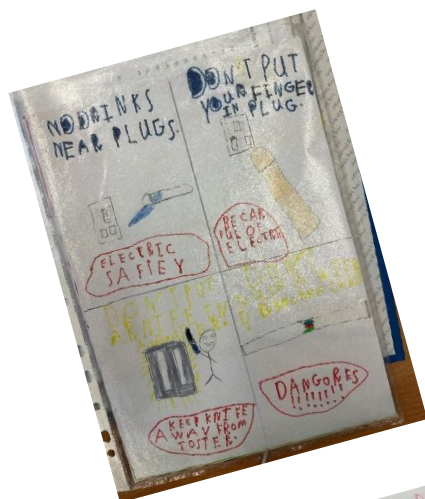
This week, in English, we have been busy putting our new writing skills to the test. We have written some fantastic instructions that are humorous, oozing with imperative verbs and adverbs of time and manner and a great read!

Here we are, working hard, in a lovely studious manner. Can you see the cogs in our brains working? Mrs Lane is super proud of us all!



## SCIENCE

Just look at our informative posters we have created in Science. We learned all about the dangers associated with electricity and have produced some posters to put around our school to help keep other children (and adults!) safe.



## YEAR 5

This week, the children have been working hard with their larger numbers in our unit of place value. They have been working practically with number lines to calculate each interval (or jump!) before using this information to find missing numbers. They worked extremely well with their partner and explained this challenging concept very well.

In English, the children have been looking in detail at fact files. Linking with our class text (Into the Volcano!) they researched many facts about USA before using

this information to create their own fact file. Like last week, they have learnt lots of exciting new vocabulary to engage the reader and their understanding of these has been impressive!

In curriculum lessons, we have been learning all about tectonic plates and where these are located across the world. They have used their knowledge of continents and countries to help with this and we have even talked about The Ring of Fire!



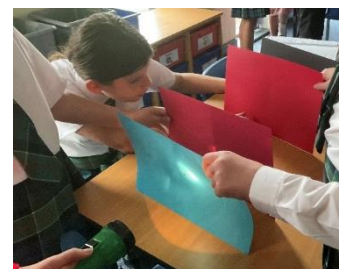
## YEAR 6



Year 6 have been learning all about Light in their Science topic this term. They have been exploring how light travels, how our eyes work and how we are able to see objects. The children worked hard in teams to prove the theory that light travels in straight lines by lining up pieces of card, each with a small hole in the centre, and seeing if light only reached the final card when the holes were aligned. Next week, they will look at reflection and investigate how periscopes can help us to see around corners.

In our English lessons, the class have been exploring poetry from other cultures and finding examples of figurative language. They have been creating their own fabulous descriptions based on aspects of India and are now putting their poetry skills into action to create a sensory poem. They have been thinking carefully about their vocabulary and have used imagery to create a vivid picture in the mind of the reader.

It has been a busy week and all the children have risen to the challenges set and have continued to be excellent role models as prefects and infant helpers.



## REMINDERS:

### THE START OF THE SCHOOL DAY

Registers are taken at 9.00am each day and it is very helpful if the children can be in school in good time for this. Lessons start promptly after registration and it can be very unsettling for children who arrive late and are not ready to start lessons with their friends.

We do understand that sometimes arriving late is unavoidable due to traffic problems etc. and on these occasions, children should be brought to the main front door to enter school. Your support in helping us to ensure a smooth start to the day for the children is very much appreciated.



## KIDS' CLUB IS AVAILABLE EVERYDAY

Do remember that our Kids' Club wrap around care is available from 7.45am to 6pm every day. Mrs Li and Mr Clark are always ready to welcome children to Kids' Club, which can either be pre-booked through the school office, or booked on the day you need it (also through the office). If you need to contact Kids' Club after 3.20pm, please use the dedicated phone number which is 01775 513024.

If you are a regular user of Kids' Club, please contact the school office to arrange for a fob to allow you to enter the side green gates. Could we please remind everyone using Kids' Club that it is very important that the gates are closed properly and securely on entry/exit to keep the children safe.

## ECO NEWS



Eco Club enjoyed their first session harvesting crops and planting winter pansies. We held our first fruit and vegetable stall on Friday after school which was a great success. Thank you to everyone who supported us.



Eco bear is back in business, promoting care for our planet. This week he will be going home with Eliza, and we are all looking forward to seeing what he gets up to at her house.

## SPALDING UNITED v BEDFORD UNITED – U16 GO FREE - 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023

Please see the attached voucher from Spalding United that entitles anyone under 16 to go free with any full paying adult on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023 which takes place at the Sir Halley Stewart Field in Spalding. If you are interested please print the attached voucher to take with you on the day.

## ELITE SPORT – SOCCER SATURDAYS

Please see the attached poster for details about Elite Sport 'Soccer Saturdays'.

## PTFA NEWS

The PTFA would like to invite any parents to join the "All Things Ayscoughfee" Facebook page. This page is a private group used by the PTFA to keep parents up to date on any PTFA events.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY:

**PTFA MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – THURSDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER** from 8.40am in the School Hall.  
(PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED POSTER).

**PTFA SCHOOL DISCO – FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER – 5.30PM – 7.30PM** IN THE SCHOOL HALL (EVERYONE IS WELCOME) PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED POSTER. *\*Drop in any song requests in the Request Box near the Junior Cloakroom.*

**PTFA AGM MEETING – MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER – 3.20PM**

## SCHOOL SHOP OPENING TIMES –

The School Uniform Shop will be opening next **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September** and **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October** from 3pm – 3.30pm. Please feel free to pop in and have a look and if you have any uniform donations, please bring them in.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS – MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023

Next Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> September we have the school photographer in to take individual and family photos starting at 8.30am. Please ensure your child is looking smart in full winter uniform and has their jumper/cardigan and blazer. If any parents would like a family photograph that involves younger siblings who are not at school, you will need to contact Mrs Staples in the School Office at the latest by 3pm today (Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September). You will need to arrive between 8.30 – 9am outside. Entrance will be through the foyer door near the front of the hall.

### Dates for Your Diary

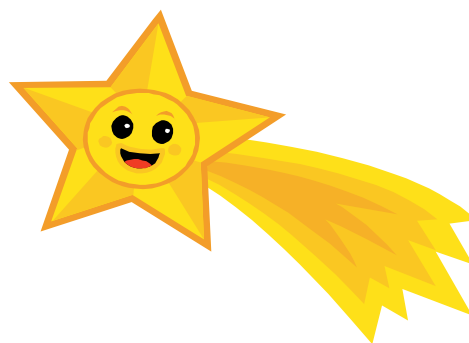
#### SEPTEMBER

<b>Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	11 + test (non-verbal reasoning) at the High & Grammar schools – 10am
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	Individual / family school photos – (full school winter uniform including cardigan / jumper and blazer)
<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	European Day of Languages (children will be doing language challenges in class) Year 5 – 11+ information evening for parents – starts 7pm
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	PTFA Macmillan coffee morning – from 8.40am
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	PTFA Disco – 5.30pm – 7.30pm (details to follow)
<b>OCTOBER</b>	
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	PTFA AGM at 3.20pm followed by a PTFA meeting
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Year 3 outing to Flag Fen TT Rockstars Meeting – 6.30pm
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fixture: U11 Rugby Festival at The Peterborough School starts at 2.30pm</b>
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fixture: Hockey at Surfleet starts 3.45pm finishes 6pm</b>
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	Reception Super Hero Day – (Reception children to come dressed as a Super Hero).
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	Harvest Festival – Parents invited – 9am.
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fixture: Year 1 &amp; Year 2 Interhouse games (in school) house t-shirts and PE kit needed.</b> <b>Fixture: U10 &amp; U11 Netball at The Peterborough School starts at 2.30pm</b>
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fixture: Junior interhouse netball/football (in school) house t-shirts and PE kit needed.</b>
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Last day of term Pink Day – non-uniform day all pupils come to school in something “pink” for a £1 donation to Breast Cancer Awareness
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>HALF TERM BREAK</b>

### STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to this week's **STARS** who are;

**Kindergarten:** Paisley  
**Reception:** Milo  
**Year 1:** Valentina  
**Year 2:** Dacey  
**Year 3:** Harry H  
**Year 4:** Zach  
**Year 5:** Teddy  
**Year 6:** Harriet



**Headteacher Award:** Kindergarten  
**Golden Dustpan Award:** Year 4  
**Kindness Awards:** Poppy and Emma (Junior) Maddie (Infant)  
**We have the following birthdays coming up:**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> September** – Lucy  
**26<sup>th</sup> September** – Casey

Best wishes,

Mrs Wright