



Adswood Primary School



Newsletter

October 2024

Dear Parents/ Carers,

School is such an exciting place for your children to learn and grow each day. All classes are settled and have transitioned well since the start of this academic year. As I walk around school each day I am very proud of them all. I recently looked at their work books for English and Maths and I was blown away by all their hard work, neat presentation and their ability to be able to talk about their learning. Lots of work is displayed on the 'WOW' walls outside each classroom and your children are always happy to share their learning with me. Well done to all our children. Please ask about their learning at home each day and allow them to share their experiences of school.



During our weekly **assemblies** we have talked about British Values. We always share our 'Adswood Superpowers' and school values with the children and have been signing and singing to 'Here comes the sun', 'Kindness', 'Adventure of a lifetime' and even 'Bring me sunshine' by Morecombe and Wise! Music makes us all smile in school and signing brings words to life.

Our **children's voice** is at the centre of school improvement. The school is led by our children. Their voice matters and we learn from them. We host a children's voice fortnightly to ensure they are heard. This week we have asked our children about reading – do they enjoy reading? Which books do they enjoy? How could we improve our library? How could we improve reading in school? The responses are then shared and feed into our school improvement planning.

Reading continues to be a focus in school with lots of opportunities for our children to share reading books, read in class, read to others and enjoy time in the reading rocket (library) in school. If you have any questions about reading please get in touch with our English leads in school Miss McFadyen or contact your class team via seesaw.



Seesaw continues to be the main line of communication with our families. If you do change your mobile phone please come into school for a new scan code for the app. You will receive a number of photos/messages via the app but we have looked at feedback from last questionnaire and are not sending out as many as it was noted that it can sometimes be overwhelming to receive lots throughout the school day. I hope you agree, the photos really capture our learning environments in our school and showcase their learning.



HERO Attendance and Punctuality Incentive – already we have seen an improvement in our attendance. The children are keen to earn our school HERO monkey each week with extra play for the winning class. Thank you for supporting your children in ensuring they are – **Here, Everyday, Ready to learn, On time.** Our attendance lead is Mr Clarke. Please notify the school office on the phone line or complete the website school spider option to notify of absence each day. Let's aim to achieve our whole school target of 95% or above this year!

SEND Coffee Morning – We hope you found this a useful morning for those who attended. There are a number of services available within the borough that offer support for SEND. Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Gee for any information or look on our school website.

Enjoy, Believe, Achieve Awards – We are still one of a few primary schools in Stockport to produce a life skills curriculum to ensure that our children are learning skills for life. Each child in our school has their own EBA book that follows them through school until they leave in Year 6. They collect many stickers and awards throughout. We are very proud of these booklets and what they stand for.

Governor Visits – Our Governors play a very active role in school and often visit classrooms and observe teaching and learning. The Governors are listed on our website. Janet Dancy is our Chair of Governors. The Governing Body are a crucial part of our school development and work closely with our team.

Cheadle Hulme School – Our Year 5 class visited the Cheadle Hulme School to complete a Science workshop. This was an opportunity for our children to learn in a Science Lab using a range of equipment! The school continues to support our community and hosts events through the school year. The school also organises a group of volunteers to come and read with our children once a week. The support we receive is impacting on learning for so many of our children.

Stockport County FC- Thank you to the club for donating 210 PE bags for our children!

Awards - We award our children in many ways throughout the school day from verbal praise to stickers, certificates to star of the day/week, work displayed on Wow walls and Always Awards, roles and responsibilities around school to name a few. Positive responses raises self-esteem and creates a positive climate and ethos in our school – one of which we are very proud of. A recent visit by the LA advisor confirmed that we are 'gold standard' in Stockport. Well done #TeamAdswood !

We regularly update our **website** to ensure current information is on there. Please use our website to find out more about the education we offer our children.

Road Safety Days – Local Authority leads will be delivering road safety to our Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 over the next term. This is an essential life skill that benefits our children. We are conscious that the number of cars pulling up on the pavement outside school has increased since our return. Please park and walk and try and keep this part of the road free and put our children first. Thank you for your support in this.

Food Bank Delivery every Thursday – The charity continues to deliver food to our school every Thursday. If you are struggling with food we also have vouchers in school to support a weekly shop. Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Smart if you need any support.



We have lots of exciting events coming up in school here are a few reminders –

- Thursday 3rd October – National Poetry Day
- Thursday 3rd October – Black History Month assembly
- Tuesday 8th October – Bible Encounters Assembly
- Tuesday 8th October – Parent Reading Meeting with Miss McFadyen
- Wednesday 9th October – Parent/Carer meetings for all children

- Thursday 10th October – World mental Health Day – assemblies delivered
- Thursday 10th October – Open morning for new Reception starters 2025.
- Monday 14th October – Computing Theme Week across school
- Wednesday 16th October – Open morning for EYFS starters 2025
- Friday 18th October – Green Day for Khia – please send your child in wearing an item of green clothing – a sock, a bobble, a t shirt and donate to Ronald McDonald House at Childrens Manchester Hospital
- School closes for half term.

School reopens on Tuesday 29th October.

We will be selling tickets for our Halloween Disco in the final week of half term ahead of the disco for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 on Wednesday 30th October!

Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or queries.

Mrs Smart and the Adswood Team.