

Asterdale Primary School

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Harvest Donations

I would like to say a massive thank you to all the parents who have generously donated food to our Harvest donation. They have been collected by Spondon Community Hub and will be given to those within the community that need them the most!

Dates for your Diary:

**INSET days for 2024: Friday 16th February,
Monday 15th April, Monday 17th June**

Tuesday 17th October & Wednesday 18th October –
Parents Evenings

Friday 20th October - Year 6 residential weekend

Thursday 26th October – PTFA Halloween Disco

Friday 27th October – pumpkin competition / non –
uniform day – Break up for half term

Monday 6th November – Return to school

PRIDE DRIVE

Pupils in all classes will be showcasing their writing skills in a new initiative to celebrate their achievements – any nominated work will be shared in whole school assembly and displayed in the hall for all to see!



Poster Competition

Our school kitchen will be holding a competition over the next week to promote school meals and healthy eating. There will be a prize of a lovely cake box for a winner from KS1 and KS2 so please encourage your child to take part.

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL

We hope our Year 6 class have a great time next weekend when they go away – this year a new experience in Matlock with Manor Adventure!

Class Dojo



We will continue to use this excellent communication tool between school and home but please can I respectfully remind all parents that staff will not respond to requests after 6PM in the evening. Staff will reply from 8AM in the morning. This is in order that we ensure that we adhere to the staff wellbeing charter that we are adhering to. Please note you can contact me via email at head@asterdale.derby.odysseyct.org.uk and any safeguarding emergencies please contact safeguarding@asterdale.odysseyct.org.uk. Thank you

Absence Reporting

Please can you ensure that all absence notifications are reported to the school office – you may wish to inform the class teacher in addition but the office staff are responsible for statutory recording.



Allergies and Medical Forms

There are a large number of these outstanding that are still required by the office in order to help keep your children well. If you have not filled one in or have one to return, please could you contact the school office.



Road Safety

In order to keep our pupils safe please could I remind parents that children cycling to school need to ensure they are on the pavement with their bikes/scooters. The road outside school is very congested at drop off and pick up times.

Online Safety!

Please be vigilant with pupils who have a mobile phone – please check what they are using it for when they are at home – we have had recent reports of pupils not using phones appropriately and they risk being unsafe online!