



Ashton West End Primary Academy

January - February 2025 Newsletter



Welcome Back

Welcome back after the Christmas holiday. We hope you all had a lovely break and are well rested for the next part of the school year.

Pantomime

We have organised a Pantomime (Sleeping Beauty) for the children to watch on Tuesday 14th January. There will be two showings to enable us to fit all of the children into the hall. All children from Nursery to Year 6 will be able to attend. There will be no charge this year to watch it. **Please let us know if you do not want your child to watch the show, otherwise, they will be taken into the hall to watch it.**

New Parent Governor

I would like to welcome Sana Afzal as one of our new parent governors. She will join our next meeting this term and we look forward to her contributing to the future of the school.

Thank you to Elina Mahmood who has now finished her 4 years as one of our governors. We want to thank her for all of her help and support.

Maternity Leave

Miss Ellison had a healthy baby boy on Christmas Eve. We wish her all the best as she starts her maternity leave. Mrs Begum will be covering for a year in 3E.

Miss Fallows will be starting her maternity leave on Monday 13th January. We also wish her all the best.

KS2 Playground Development

Over the next 6 weeks, we will be having work completed on the KS2 playground and field to improve the outdoor provision we currently have for our children. I have included some images of what it should look like when complete. The children are really looking forward to it being finished.



PE Kit Update

We have noticed children coming into school on their PE day in tracksuits and football tops. We have a uniform policy which includes clear guidance on what is expected for PE lessons. Children should **not** come into school in their PE kit. They will be given time after lunch to change.

Our school PE kit is:

Black shorts, black leggings or black jogging bottoms.

Plain white or light blue t-shirt (with or without a school logo).

Black pumps for indoor PE lessons.

Trainers for outdoor PE lessons

Socks (Not tights).

The children can wear their school jumper when completing outdoor PE lessons.

The items should all be labelled with the child's name in them and brought to school in a bag.

The items do not have to have the school logo on.

The children also need the correct PE kit to participate in after school clubs and especially in gymnastics for safety reasons.

If you have any old PE kits or white tops that do not fit your child anymore, then please could you drop them off at the school office so we can pass them onto other families who may need them.

If you are struggling to provide a PE kit for your child then please come and speak to a member of our pastoral team (Tracey and Becky) and they may be able to help you.

Bike Shelter

The new bike shelter on the KS2 playground footpath will be ready to use on Wednesday 8th January. Children can bring their bikes or scooters to school if they wish. It would be best if they are locked up as the gate will be open from 3pm each day and anyone will have access to that area. We hope this will encourage children to be more active on their way to school.

February half term dates

School closes on Thursday 13th February at 3:15pm for the half term holiday. We are closed to pupils on Friday 14th February due to a staff training day and will re-open on Monday 24th February at 8:40am.

SchoolComms

Please ensure that you have downloaded the School Gateway app as this is where all communication from school and payments made for dinners and trips will be made. Please ask at the office if you require any assistance.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Miss K Pizuti

Principal