



Ashton West End Primary Academy

November- December 2025 Newsletter



Welcome back

Welcome back after the half term holiday. We hope you all had a lovely break and are well rested for the next part of the autumn term.

Maternity leave

Miss Ellison has now returned from maternity leave and is teaching one of our Year 2 classes. We are happy to see her back. Miss Fallows is due back on January 5th and she will be teaching one of our Year 3 classes.

Parents' Evening

Parents' evening will look a little different this year. We are going to split it across two nights to reduce the number of people in the building at one time.

Nursery, reception, year 1, 2 and children in our Learnasaurus will take place on Wednesday 26th November from 3:30pm- 5:45pm.

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be held on Thursday 27th November from 3:30pm- 5:45pm.

A letter will be sent out this week so please complete the reply slip and return it to your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

Christmas Productions

The children will take part in Christmas productions as normal this year and we will be inviting parents. You will need a ticket in order to attend. We will let you know in the next few weeks when they will be available. The dates and times are below:

Friday 12th December - Nursery am class- 11am, Nursery pm class - 2:45pm
Tuesday 16th December at 2pm- Year 1 & 2 Nativity
Wednesday 17th December from 9am - 10am (Year 4 & 6 Christmas performance)
Wednesday 17th December from 2:30pm- Miss Coghlan's reception class
Thursday 18th December from 9am - 10am (Year 3 & 5 Christmas performance)
Thursday 18th December from 2:30pm- Mrs Wright's reception class

Children attending our Learnasaurus provision- we will send dates out to you soon.

Christmas Parties

Our Christmas parties will take place on Friday 19th December in the afternoon. Children can come to school all day in their party clothes.

Christmas Jumper and Dinner Day

Christmas dinner will take place on Friday 12th December for all those children on school dinners. If you would like your child to have a Christmas dinner instead of their packed lunch for that day, then please speak to the school office about making the payment. Children can wear a Christmas jumper/ dress/ t shirt on this day if they have one.

Packed Lunches

If your child is on packed lunches/ sandwiches, then please think about the food they are given. We often see children with chocolate waffles, chocolate brioche rolls and chocolate sandwiches. Try to swap these for pieces of fruit or a yoghurt. Some children are bringing burgers or food that has been cooked either in the morning or the night before. We have no way of keeping this food in the fridge or warm due to the vast number of children in our school. **A cold burger cooked in the morning can harm you if it is left at room temperature for more than two hours.**

OPAL Playtime and lunchtime

Please make sure your child has a coat with them each day.

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6- if your child has a spare pair of old trainers or shoes that they could change into at lunchtime, then please send them into school. This will avoid their school shoes getting wet or muddy at lunchtime.

Applying for a Reception Place

If your child is in our nursery and you would like them to attend our reception classes in September 2026, you must apply for the place before the 15th of January 2026 using the website below <https://www.tameside.gov.uk/admissions# How to Apply>

Your child will not automatically be given a place in our reception class; you must apply via the Tameside website.

Dates for your Diary

- Year 6 trip to Oldham Science Centre
6H- Thursday 20th November from 9-12pm
6GC- Friday 21st November from 9am- 12pm
- Thursday 27th November from 9am- Flu Vaccinations (Reception- Year 6 pupils)
- Friday 12th December- Christmas dinner and jumper day
- Friday 19th December- School closes at 3:15pm. We will re-open on Monday 5th January at 8:40am.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Miss K Pizuti
Principal