



Newsletter

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11TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Welcome back to our new Autumn Term 2026. I hope you all had a lovely summer and were able to make the most of the beautiful sunshine. The children have returned to school very enthusiastically and have shown excitement exploring their new classrooms. We have had a big focus on reminding them of how to show their best learning behaviours to create a supportive and stimulating learning environment. As I have been walking around school I have seen lots of wonderful smiley faces enjoying their learning and seeing the joy in the eyes of those who are succeeding and achieving already. I have definitely missed seeing the children over the summer and we are all very pleased to be back in school with plenty of ideas and new opportunities to experience on our learning journeys this year. We have got lots of fun in store this year and we will be looking forward to nurturing your child along the next step in their education.

WHAT'S ON

Friday 18th
September
Colour Run

Thursday 24th September
Swimming Hawthorn
Class

Friday 25th September
Forest School
Hawthorn Class

Thursday 1st October
Swimming
Hawthorn Class

Friday 2nd October
Forest School
Holly Class

PFA QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 9th October
Forest School Willow
Class



Our new Reception children

We would like to give a huge welcome to our new Reception children and their families - we are very happy to welcome them into our Ashton family. It has been so lovely to see you settle into your new routines and engage in the learning in your classroom with such enthusiasm and excitement. We can't wait to see the progress you will make with us.



Governor News

On behalf of all the Governors, I would like to welcome all our families back to the school year and offer a warm welcome to all the new families joining us. The Governors will be working hard, alongside Mrs Tulley and her team to help move our school forward and we will all be finding opportunities to visit the school to monitor the targets that have been outlined in the School's Development Plan. We will look forward to meeting some of your children and working with the team to create a thriving learning environment. Geoff Mills (Chair of Governors)
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OFSTED UPDATE

We finally received our official Ofsted report this week. As soon as it is published on the official website, hopefully this Monday 14th September, we will be sending you a letter with a summary of the findings. As we were inspected under the new revised framework there isn't an overall judgement. If you would like more information about how the new framework works, [please click here](#).

Do you read the class blogs and look at the class photo galleries?
Class links below.....

Acorn & Holly **Hawthorn** **Willow** **Oak**





Safeguarding and Online Safety Advice

As part of our back to school routines, each class has had a specific lesson based around the dangers of speaking to strangers. We shared with them the Clever Never Goes materials and reinforced the messages raised in the presentations in an age appropriate way to inform and remind them of how to stay safe when they may not be with their parents.

if you would like to recap this with them at home please follow this link for advice on what to say.

https://clevernevergoes.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Clever-Never-Goes_Parent_Leaflet.pdf



To make it easier for you to report any safeguarding concerns you or members of our wider community may have, I have added a new element to our school website homepage. It gives you the facility to anonymously report any issues you have via QR code. This links directly to our current safeguarding concerns reporting.

Safeguarding

If you have a concern about a child at our school or want to alert us to any local issues, please use this QR code to report. You can do so anonymously.



This is the text and image that can be found on our home page

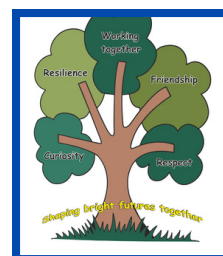
Attendance Really Matters

We have had a very positive start back to school in terms of attendance. Our overall attendance is 98.4% which is outstanding! Both Reception and Year 3 have 100% attendance so far, with Holly class being the class with the best attendance as a result. And well done girls, you are ahead of the boys so far with 99.3%.

We will be aiming high again this year for our attendance target and I will be working hard to meet the target we are set by the DFE. I will be very proactive in addressing attendance issues early on so we can work together so we can all fulfill our legal responsibilities to have our children in school as much as possible. With this in mind, please avoid taking term time holidays and when your child is ill, send them back to school as soon as they are ready to return.

Please see the infographic on the final page which reinforces the importance of good attendance.

We can all play a part in safeguarding children. If you are ever worried about the safety of a child, please discuss this with **Mrs Tulley**, **Mrs Clements** or **Miss Hayward**. You can refer or get advice yourself from Children's Services on 01905 822666. If you think a child or adult is in immediate danger, please call the police on 999.





Ashton Under Hill First School
Shaping Bright Futures Together

Good Attendance means...

being in school at least 95% of the time



Education is important - don't miss out



Parents are welcome to watch from the sidelines

COLOUR RUN FUN!

 Children are invited to take part
in a Colour Run! 



Friday 18th September



2:00 PM



Ashton Village Playing Field



What to bring (in a separate bag):



Light-coloured T-shirt
(for maximum colour fun!)



Shorts or leggings



Suitable old shoes

Please bring old clothes & shoes 
they may get stained!



Expect:



Lots of colour



Plenty of laughs



Outdoor fun



Special Thanks

This event is kindly sponsored by



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Its a new date

Sensory Processing Workshop



**FAMILY
HUBS**

Wednesday 16th September 2026

1:00 - 3:00pm

Online 2 hour workshop via Teams

This workshop will help parents/carers to have a better understanding of sensory processing and sensory systems considering:

- What is sensory processing
- What are the 8 sensory systems
- How these might impact on behaviour
- How to meet a child's sensory needs



To book:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sensory-processing-south-worcestershire-parents-tickets-1996452620531?aff=oddtcreator>

[worcestershire.gov.uk/familyhubs](https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/familyhubs)



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Talking Teens



FAMILY
HUBS

Monday 28th September, 5th, 12th, & 19th October 26
12:30 - 2:30pm

For parents and carers of
children aged 10 - 19 years old

FREE
Virtual
course via
Microsoft
teams

We will be looking at:

- Being a parent of a teenager
- Understanding your teenager
- Communicating with your teenager
- Managing conflict



To book a place please
use the link or scan
the QR code
www.worcestershire.gov.uk/familyhubs/groups



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