



Dates for your diary

Monday 8th June – School Reopens

Tuesday 9th June – SEND Parents Meetings

Tuesday 16th June – Delamere Forest Trip

Monday 22nd June – New Parent Meetings

Tuesday 7th July – Reports to parents

Monday 13th July – Parent drop in for reports

Tuesday 21st July – Leavers' presentation and school fayre

Thursday 23rd July – Last day of term

Dear Families,

It has been a busy half-term in school with the children enjoying lots of activities and families joining us for our Stay and Play sessions. After the break, we are looking forward to our Community Picnic, a trip to Delamere Forest and our Summer Fayre. Please save the dates in your diaries!

The sun is shining as we approach the holidays, so we hope you enjoy the lovely weather and spending time with your families, and we look forward to seeing you after the break.

Thank you for your continued support,

Best wishes

Liane Johnson (Executive Headteacher)

2 Year Olds

We have had a very busy half term in the 2-year-old room. The children have been sharing 'Jasper's Beanstalk' as their core text, and this had led us to plant our own beans which the children have watered, nurtured, and watched grow. It has sparked an interest in natural objects and other things which grow.

The children have been learning how to use one handed tools safely in our mud kitchen, along with learning to chop their own vegetables. We used natural objects to create faces and discuss our emotions; we used rocks, stones, twigs and small branches.

Our focus for this half term has been independence and as a result, we have mastered taking off and putting on our own shoes. We also independently prepare our snack and tidy away when we have finished.

Have a lovely half term break everybody and we will see you soon for the last half term of the year!

Photo Gallery



We have had a lovely half term exploring our big question “How Do We Take Care of Things?”

The children have planted lots of flowers and vegetables in our garden. They have learnt to dig the soil, put the seeds in and cover them over. They have also been using their pouring skills to water the plants. Our core book this half term has been ‘Jack and the Beanstalk’, and the children have been learning to grow and nurture their own beans to see how big they get! Following on and linking into our core text, we have used character puppets to act out the story, learning the repeated refrain ‘Fe Fi Fo Fum’.

The children have also been learning how to take care of their minds and bodies with some meditation and yoga; they all thoroughly enjoyed this! We have also built a bug hotel to look after our minibeast friends; the children enjoyed digging for worms and collecting ladybugs and beetles! In maths we have been looking at shape and pattern and creating things with a range of different shapes!

Photo Gallery



Stay and Play Sessions

We have had a positive response to our stay and play sessions this half term, based around transitions.

It is always wonderful to welcome our parents/carers into nursery to share our learning, and we hope that during this stay and play, we were able to share some helpful tips for supporting your child with transitions.

Attendance Hero of the half term!

To be entered into our half termly draw, you need to have at least one week of 100% attendance in that half term.

WELL DONE JASPER !

Governor Spotlight:



Hi, I'm Matthew Meazza, I work as a Management Accountant, and I'm pleased to use my experience to support the school. Originally from Burnham in South Buckinghamshire and now live/work in Widnes with my family and my two young boys, who keep life busy! Being a parent has made getting involved in education even more meaningful to me. I became a governor to give something back and support the school in providing the best possible experience for all pupils. It's great to be part of such a positive and welcoming community'

Charity Donation – Andy's Mans Club.

Unfortunately, due to the unpredictable weather at the start of the week, we had to call of our picnic, however, the staff and children still participated in coming to school dressed in something green. Through all your kind donations, we have managed to raise £50.00 across the federation. The children and staff have discussed the importance of the donations to helping people and chosen to donate the money to Andy's Mans Club.

Wraparound Care

Wrap around care is available 8am—5pm. If you would like a space, or to enquire about prices, please speak to Kirstie in the school office or email reception@affns.co.uk. Our nursery staff run these sessions, and the children have a varied breakfast and a variety of healthy snack options for after school. If you would like to see a menu, please contact the office, or view the website.

2-Year-Old Funding

With new government guidelines, from April 2024, working parents may be able to receive 15 funded hours. To check eligibility please visit <https://www.haltonfamilyhubs.co.uk> and select Early Years For more information regarding places, please contact the school office.

Attendance

It is very important for children to come to school every day, so they are not missing out on important learning and the exciting things we have planned. If your child is not well, please get in contact to let us know.



Green (95%+) is good attendance



Amber (91-94%) is cause for concern



Red (below 90%) is poor

Snack Money for this half term is

Can we remind parents that snack is in addition to your child's nursery funding. Please pay for snacks for this current half term if you have not already done so. **Payments can be made:** Half Termly - £10.00 Termly - £20.00 Full Year—£60.00



Payments

Can we ask that all payments (snack money, trip money etc) are paid into the nursery school bank account or through the School Spider app. Please ensure all payments are clearly identified with your child's name and details.



Contacts

Telephone: 0151 424 4686

Email: reception@affns.co.uk

Or alternatively, message us through the Spider Parent App

Dropping off & Picking up Times

A reminder for all parents and family members to follow the drop off and pick up times. The purpose of this is so the groups are not continually disturbed during the session

Drop Off

9.00 am

12.45pm

Pick Up

12pm

3.45pm

Privacy Notice

Please find the privacy notice relating to data protection on our noticeboard and website.

Disabled Car Park Spaces

Please do not park in these spaces unless you are registered disabled and are displaying your blue badge. Staff will challenge anyone who is parking here unless they can see badge displayed and you will be asked to move.



Yellow Zig Zag Parking

Please do not park outside of nursery school on the yellow zigzags. These lines are for the safety of all the children.

