



Dates for your diary

Thursday 3rd September – School Reopens

Friday 25th September – MacMillan Coffee Morning

Tuesday 5th October – School Picture Day

Monday 12th – Friday 16th October – Stay and Play week

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

What a wonderful term we have had. This term we had a special visit from Key Strings, where we got to experience playing and listening to a wide range of string instruments. Musical string play for 2-year-olds accelerates fine motor skills and builds cognitive connections between sensory inputs – allowing for lots of development whilst having fun! We also had a visit from the librarian; we invited our parents/carers and grandparents to come and share a story with us. Engaging with books in a safe, cozy setting improves listening skills, lengthens attention spans and strengthens the emotional bond with the caregiver – which is why books are so important! The weather has been very warm, so we have enjoyed lots of water play and making ice creams in our mud kitchen. The children really engaged in chopping ingredients safely to add to their ice cream.

We hope you all have a lovely summer and look forward to seeing you in September 😊

Photo Gallery



What a lovely summer we have had in Nursery! We have observed the change in weather, which has seen us go from mixing potions in the mud kitchen in the pouring rain to squirting water rockets in the lovely sunshine

We have had lots of practice dressing and undressing with costumes and school uniform preparing those who are leaving for school. We have focussed on zips, Velcro and buttons!

We have looked at different journeys this half term and created our own journeys using trains, train tracks and roads. We also went on our very own journey to Delamere Forest to find the witches missing hat from The Room on the Broom trail.

We had a lovely visit to our local care home where we did some crafts with the residents.

We hope you all have a lovely summer break and look forward to welcoming the children back in September. For those who are leaving to go to reception, we wish you the best of luck on your new adventure! 😊

Photo Gallery



Stay and Play Sessions

There will be more stay and play sessions in the autumn term.

We had a very successful couple of days for new starter stay and plays, welcoming our September starters in to meet the staff and giving them a chance to explore their new surroundings!

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!

School Leavers and Summer Fayre!

We would like to thank all our parents/carers for joining us for a lovely farewell celebration of our school leavers and we will thank them all the best of luck in their new schools!

Our summer fayre was a great success, thank you all for your donations, it would not have been possible without them!

Charity Donation – MacMillan Coffee Morning

When we come back in September term, we will be taking part in the MacMillan Coffee morning again.

The date for this is **Friday 25th September – 9.15am**. We look forward to seeing lots of you there whilst we raise money for a wonderful cause.

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.

