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Welcome!

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for your brilliant support again this half term and this year! It has been a very busy one. All the classes have delivered fantastic performances and should be very proud!

We have had lots of trips taking place, where it has been commented on how well the children have behaved.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Summer Fair, thank you to everyone who helped out and made it a great success.

I would like to wish all our Year 6 children the best of luck at high school, they have been a credit to the school. I am sure they will all continue to shine!

We also say goodbye to Mr Pierce who is moving on to a new role in September. We wish him all the best in his new role. We would like to thank him for his hard work whilst he has been here at Aspinal.

Please find the attendance information for each class. Thank you for your continued support on this, we have had 12 pupils with 100% attendance this year. Let us see if we can have even more next year!

A reminder that in September Year 6 children start at 8.30am and the rest of the school at 8.35am.

A reminder we have also updated our school website (www.oasisacademyaspinal.org). Please make sure you check MCAS as all letters will be attached to the app again this year rather than sent out.

Have a lovely summer break and we will welcome children into their new classes on Wednesday 6th September September.

Miss Sweeting

This half terms attendance

Nursery	91.84%
Reception	91.23%
Year 1	93.29%
Year 2	94.23%
Year 3	93.82%
Year 4	95.15%
Year 5	95.00%
Year 6	91.49%
Whole School	93.87%



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NURSERY

Wow! We can't believe that we are now at the end of the Nursery year! What a fantastic last term we have had! All the children have grown and developed in so many ways this year!

As part of our 'Transport topic we have enjoyed some lovely books in English this half term. We have enjoyed 'Choo, Choo, Clickety-Clack', 'Goodnight Digger', 'Goodnight Tractor', 'It's a Marmalade Jam', 'Captain McGrew Wants You For His Crew' and 'Cars, Cars, Cars!'. We have been joining in with the repetitive phrases and language, have added our own sound effects, have spotted rhyming words and have added new phrases and our own ideas to the stories and rhymes.

In Maths we have been learning about capacity. The children have really enjoyed measuring, pouring and describing the capacity of jugs and cups and we made the most of the very hot weather with lots of water play and investigations using bowls, jugs, water funnels, pipes.

In Phonics we have been reviewing all aspects 1-7 within Phase 1 phonics with lots of focus on alliteration (listening and matching words with the same initial sound), rhyme, blending e.g. get me a p-e-n and have continued to develop the children's skills in listening and discriminating between sounds.

We have also been learning about road safety, have been developing our writing skills, art skills and have started 'Dough Disco' to help strengthen our little hands.

It has been lovely to see how many of you have been sharing and enjoying the new school sharing books with your children - regular sharing and discussion of a wide variety of stories, rhymes and information books is a hugely important part of developing vocabulary, understanding, speech, the ability to tune into sounds, understand how to handle books and, most importantly, foster a love of books and reading. Please keep on regularly sharing and enjoying books with your child.

We have enjoyed a super 'Teddy Bears Picnic Day' and we hope you enjoyed our Nursery Graduation.

We are so proud of our superstars and the progress they have made this year. It has been wonderful to take them on their Nursery journey. We can't wait for the start of our Reception adventure and to greet our new friends who will be joining us! We are also excited to see five of our Nursery friends continue to enjoy next year in Nursery and are so proud of the progress they have made and how well they integrated with the class on their arrival in January.

Thank you for continued support and have a lovely Summer break.

Mrs McDonald, Mrs Cragg and Mrs O'Brien



RECEPTION

Another year over!!!

How quickly this year has passed – it doesn't seem 5 minutes since your little ones were starting their Gradual Admission with us and now they are all grown up and ready for Year 1!!

We have had a very busy half term – completing Topics and assessments – we are delighted with the OUTSTANDING progress each child has made – We have some FANTASTIC Readers, WONDERFUL Writers, BRILLIANT Mathematicians, SUPER Scientists and AMAZING Artists

Well Done to every single child in the class!

The children had a wonderful time at the Teddy Bears Picnic – who knew they could eat so much!!!

Thank you for attending the 'Graduation Assembly'
I'm sure that you were so proud of the children.

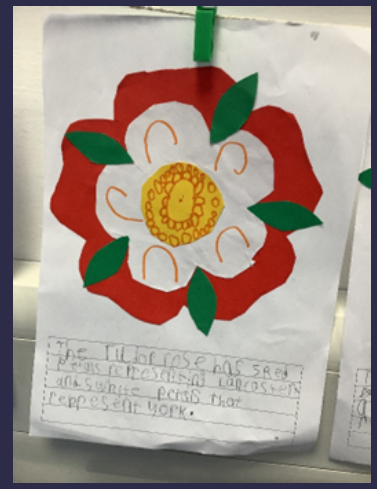
Thank You for all your support once again - keep this up as your child progresses through the school.

It has been a pleasure teaching your children this year.

Have a lovely Summer Holiday!!

Miss Bailey, Miss Oken & Miss Dargan

Year 1



This half term we have completed lots of assessments to find out how well our pupils have been learning in class over the past year. I am so proud of how the children have tried to do their best and I hope that you were pleased with their progress when you read their report. I am so happy that 17 of our children passed their phonics test with flying colours, so thank you for all your support with reading practise at home.

English

We have really enjoyed writing about Saoirse, a young girl who followed a magical trail into the sea to swim with the seals. The stimulus was a beautiful excerpt from a short film called Song of the Sea which you may want to watch together at home to reveal the outcome.

Maths

In maths we have learned about halves and quarters, sharing an amount, and making doubles.

Science

In Science we have learned about the seasons and the weather. We made a rain gauge in class to measure the rainfall – Elihu was so inspired that she went home and made one of her own! Well done, Elihu.



History/Geography

In History we learned about the Battle of Bosworth and how the Tudor dynasty began. The children really enjoyed taking part in a re-enactment outside, where Henry Tudor defeated Richard III and his army. We also made Tudor Roses to represent the union of Lancaster and York.

In Geography we created surveys to find out which part of the playground was our favourite – which turned out to be the pitch. We then used what we had learned about gathering information to find out which area of the farm was most popular on our visit. The donkey rides were undoubtedly their favourite part of the day!

We have really enjoyed teaching this class over the past year and I am sure that you will agree, they have grown and matured beyond belief. We wish them every success in Year 2 and we will continue to watch them flourish in the years ahead. Have a great summer holiday.

Miss Hardy and Mrs Stringer.



Year 2

I cannot believe we are sharing our very last newsletter of the year.

Can I first start off by thanking every single one of you for your continued support throughout this year, it has been an absolute pleasure getting to know so many of you. Secondly, I would like to thank each and every member of the Year 2 class. Every single one of your children have grown so much this year in so many ways. We have had huge academic progress for some, huge personal progress for some but huge gains in confidence for all and this has been so much fun to be a part of. When I look back on how little they were starting with me last September to how grown up they are now, it fills me with so much pride and joy. I am sure you feel the same. I really will miss this little bunch, but I know so many of them are ready to become a grown-up junior.

This last half term has been jam-packed with learning and assessments. Every child approached their assessments with such calm and ease. They really took them in their stride and tried their best which I was so pleased with. I couldn't ask any more of them than what they have given.

In English we have written a narrative based on the true story of Emmanuel the Ghanaian boy, who was born with one leg. He knew he was capable of anything (just like Year 2) and he overcome so many barriers to go and achieve greatness. Just like I know so many of this class will do as they grow older.

In Maths, we have been consolidating our learning around geometry. The children are whizz kids at naming all the 2D and 3D shapes as well as discussing all the different properties they may possess. Our showasis topic this half term has been an absolute delight to teach. The children have been very engaged learning all about Henry VIII and his six wives. I am sure you will agree with me, the performance the children gave you was extraordinary. From learning the Greensleeves dance in PE, to remembering the beats and timings of our rap in music to the fantastic drama performances and bravery of the show. There is no end to the talents of this little tribe.

We hope you all have an amazing summer filled with fun, laughter, and memories, ready to start your new adventures in September. Don't forget change to your usual routine can feel strange but that doesn't mean its bad. Magical things can happen when you least expect them. Always remember you are the best class, even with a different teacher, you will always be the best because you want to be and we will always be cheering you on.

Thank you again to both parents and children, it has been such an incredible journey and we have loved every second of it.

Good Luck for next year.

Miss Cairns, Miss Morrison and Miss Bridgewood

Year 3

What a fantastic year it has been for progress in our Year Three class, both personally and academically. We are proud of the resilience and determination shown by every child.

Maths

In Maths, we have focused on being able to tell the time on both a digital and an analogue clock. Although it has a tricky concept to understand, especially when using a 24-hour digital clock, the children have tried so hard to master it. Also, they have applied their knowledge of counting money, to answer tricky problem-solving questions. To deepen our knowledge of the properties of 3D shapes, we used 2D Polydron pieces to build and discuss 3D shapes. The children loved that!

English

We analysed a Disney short, *The Blue Umbrella*, to enable us to all write our independent narratives. The children have become so much more independent when writing their pieces of writing, it has been fantastic to see. Many of the children have become so proud of their stories, they have been confident enough to read them aloud to the class. Another strength of our children has been re-reading their own stories and editing their mistakes or extending their ideas even further.

Science

This half term, in Science, we have focused on light. We focused on identifying and discussing a variety of natural and artificial light sources. The children enjoyed the practical element of using torches, mirrors and reflective materials.

History

Our focus for this half term in History has been the life of the Tudors. We researched the battle of Bosworth, and how the result of that impacted our lives. Henry VIII has been a focal point in our learning, as he had a huge impact on life in England.

Trip

As our Global Goal was to help preserve life below the water, we participated in a 'Sea Defenders' workshop at the Sea Life Centre. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and behaved impeccably well. A credit to the school. We were so impressed with how mature they all were.

Finally, thank you all for your continued support throughout the year.

Mr Purcell and Miss Turner



Year 4

And just like that, another year finished.

What an amazing year it has been for all the class! Everyone has shown perseverance and determination. The progress that has been made throughout the year has been astonishing and pure delight to watch! I will really miss having such a bubbly class who always show enthusiasm in everything they do.

It is no surprise this half term has been another wonderful one! We had our school trip to Blackpool Zoo; completed our own fieldwork; planned and delivered our 'SHOWASIS' and worked incredibly hard in all subjects.

Thank you to everyone for all the support you have shown and given the last two years. I feel very lucky to have had a wonderful class for so long.

I wish everyone the best,

Miss Clayton and Miss J Sweeting



Year 5

As this year draws to a close, I feel sad to say that our time is coming to an end but also I feel extremely proud of how far the children have come since September and of how much they have achieved this year! I can honestly say that it has been an absolute pleasure to teach them this year and I am constantly humbled by how caring, thoughtful and supportive they have been of each other especially this year!

This half term we have had so much to enjoy under our theme- SHOWASIS!

The children's writing has gone from strength to strength and this half term they have really shown their capabilities! We have been reading Journey to Jo'Burg and have learnt about the Apartheid in Africa and how it impacted lives day-to-day. We have focussed on our non-fiction writing this half term and the children are now becoming more confident using colons, semi-colons and added clauses, to expand their sentences and add detail.

In maths, we have focussed in this last half term on geometry. The children have recently recapped acute, obtuse and right angles. They have become confident using protractors to measure angles and calculations to find missing angles. When completing their recent assessments, all the hard work and dedication they have shown this year shone through brighter than ever! They took it all in their stride and every one of them tried their very hardest! You should all be very proud of them!

In History this half term we have embarked on another fantastic topic around The Tudors! We learnt about how Henry Tudor came to the throne after the Battle of Bosworth and then about the monarchy that followed him. We even managed to make a model of the Mary Rose- Henry VIII favourite ship! Our Roman numeral knowledge came in handy with the King's names and knowing which Henry was which!

Our trip to Gulliver's World was a huge success and the children really enjoyed themselves. It was brilliant to see so many of them challenging themselves and overcoming fears and worries to be brave and have fun!

Thank you for all of your continued support and encouragement this year! I hope that you have a restful summer and the children come back refreshed ready for their final year of primary school!

Where does the time go?

Thank you again for all of your continued support and we wish you and the children all the best,

Miss Hughes and Mrs Robinson.

YEAR 6

Firstly, a big well done to all the children for their hard work and commitment this year. I have no doubt that they will all continue to make incredible achievements throughout their journey in secondary school.

During our English lessons, we have studied and researched famous people who are important to each of us. The children used this information to write a biography based on their person of choice. It was wonderful to read all the interesting facts the children included in their biographies.

In maths, the children have continued to develop their skills in ratio. We have been using ratio to investigate how to alter a recipe to serve a class of 30.

Our theme this half term has been Showasis! The children have been preparing for their leavers' assembly: learning their lines, creating props, and putting their acting skills into action.

In other areas of the curriculum, we have been investigating light in science. The children have carried out scientific investigations into the effects of refraction and how our eyes work.

Once again, well done for all your hard work this year, Year 6 – you will be truly missed.

Miss Webster and Miss Myatt



Community MATTERS

**PARENT WORKSHOPS
WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD
TO SEPTEMBER WHERE WE
WILL BE SHARING
INFORMATION ABOUT OUR
NEW PARENT MATHS
WORKSHOPS AND**

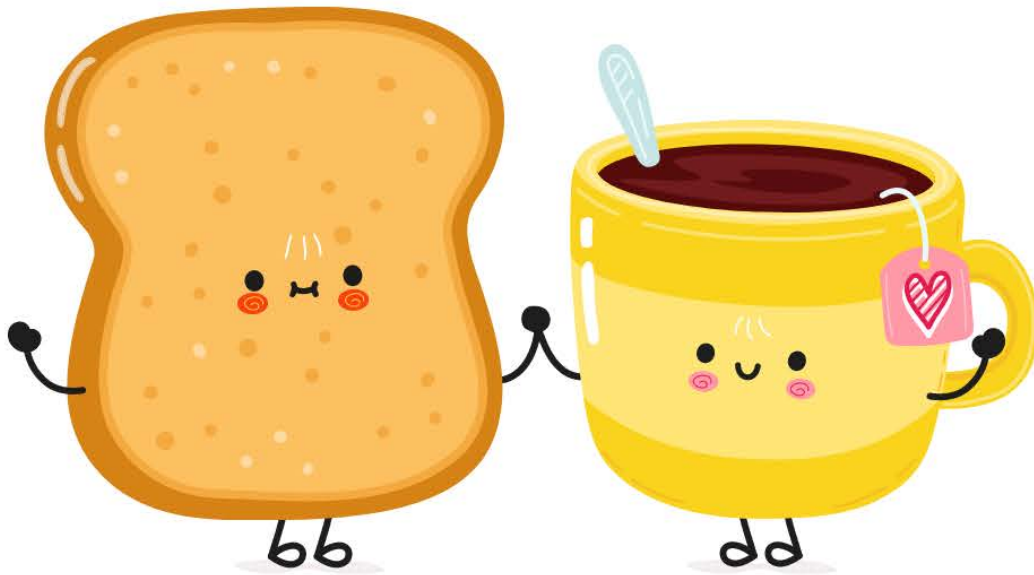


Thank you to all the parents and carers that attended our end of year assemblies and have supported school events over the last year!
We look forward to even more next year.

**SUMMER FAYRE
THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO
ATTENDED AND SUPPORTED
OUR SUMMER FAYRE THIS
YEAR!
WE ARE DELIGHTED TO
ANNOUNCE THAT WE RAISED
OVER £700 WHICH WILL GO
BACK IN TO SUPPORTING THE
OASIS COMMUNITY HUB**



Tea & Toast



School run done?

Join Robyn And Clancey for Tea and Toast on a Monday morning!

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Do you have a baby or toddler?
If so, why don't you come along to our baby and
toddler stay and play group?

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