



Aycliffe Drive Primary School

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I hope you all had an enjoyable summer and are looking forward to a new school year. We have had such beautiful weather since returning, but we are glad that it has been a bit cooler this week. It has been lovely to see and welcome all the new families that have started with us and I hope the children are enjoying their settling in period. Miss Robson and I are regularly by the school gates so please feel free to chat or ask us any questions you have. We warmly welcome Mrs Walker as a LKS2 teacher and Mrs Shotton and Miss Weeks who were with us last year as MSA and are now working as T.As.

Attendance Cup - Well Done!

Week commencing 04/09 –

1st – Maple 99.2%

2nd – Ash 98.6%

3rd – Birch – 97.9%



Outside of School Achievements

If your child has passed any exams, competed in competitions, gone up a class in an activity, please email admin@aycliffedrive.herts.sch.uk and we will make sure it goes on the next newsletter.

Arbor

Please ensure you download the Arbor parent portal app. On this app, you will be able to track your child's attendance, message the school, book parent consultations, pay for trips/dinner money etc. If you have any trouble downloading the app, please visit the school office.

School dinners

After October half term, we will have a new dinner system called School Grid. This will mean parents have to book in all their child's school meals, if this is not done, they will need to bring a home packed lunch. The school are not able to book the dinners on behalf of families. There is also no debt allowed, this means if you do not top up your account, a dinner will not be ordered until you put money on the account. The school will no longer request money; it will need to be paid online to School Grid. More information to follow.

Van Cols Sibling and Individual Photographs

Van Cols, the school photographer, will be in school on Wednesday 27 September to take individual and sibling photos. Please ensure the correct uniform is worn and hair is tied up. The photos will start from 8.30am so please arrive on time.

PTA

If you would like to join our PTA or are able to help at future events, please email pta@aycliffedrive.herts.sch.uk. The date of the next meeting will be arranged and sent out to parents shortly.

Dinner Money Debts

Debts from last year have carried over to this year. Please ensure debts are paid as soon as possible by cash to the school office or via Arbor. Meals must be paid for in advance.

School Gates

The school gates are on timers. In the morning, they open at 8.15am and close at 8.30am. For the afternoon collection, the gates open at 2.50pm and close at 3.10pm. Staff may be walking through the gates before/after these times, please do not follow them in as this becomes a safeguarding issue. Thank you for your understanding.

School Website

Over the summer, we have had our website redesigned and made into a much more user-friendly mobile site. Please keep an eye on the website for letters, important dates and updates. Information regarding what your child will be learning this term and subject curriculums are also available.

Governor vacancies

We currently have three governor vacancies. Two of the vacancies are for parent governors and one is a co-opted governor. If you are interested in becoming a governor at our school, please email admin@aycliffedrive.herts.sch.uk.

Important Dates

22 Sep – Jeans for Genes Day
26 Sep – Flu Vaccinations
27 Sep – Sibling and Individual photos
4 Oct – Redwood and Oak Duxford Trip
18 Oct – Maple Duxford Trip
23-27 Oct – Half term
17 Nov – Children in Need
24 Nov – Occasional Day (school closed)
11 Dec – UKS2 Harry Potter Trip
20 Dec – School closes early for Christmas Holidays



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