

# Headteacher's Newsletter

## Autumn Term

## Welcome Back

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ASTLEY PARK SCHOOL

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

Dates for Diaries

Autumn 1 Curriculum Newsletters

Classes will be sending home autumn 1 newsletters this Friday 16 September.

Jeans for Genes Day

We are supporting 'Jeans for Genes' day once again on Friday 23rd September 2016.

This will be a non-uniform day for pupils, but we ask that they bring a £1 donation to support this fundraising event.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

We are holding a coffee morning in school on Friday 7 October at 9.30am.

Please come along for a coffee and a cake (or tea if you prefer), to support this worthy cause.



Half term

School will close on Thursday 27 October and will re open on Monday 7 November 2016.

## 'Welcome To New Staff And Pupils'

Hello Everyone

Welcome back, I can't believe how quick the term is going and that we have been back a fortnight already. I hope you all had an enjoyable summer. All the pupils came back full of excitement and I have enjoyed listening to all their stories.

We have 7 new members of staff on our teaching and learning team and 25 new pupils. It's lovely to see how well they have settled in, I am really proud of them. I am also really looking forward to another exciting and action packed year! Hope to see you all soon. Mr Welsh :-)

## 'After School Club'

After School Club has started again this week. It was a huge success last half term, the children have thoroughly enjoyed themselves doing various activities, inside and outside whilst the weather was nice. The club will continue to run this half term Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

## 'Parent Questionnaire Feedback'

Thank you to all parents / carers who completed and returned their 'Parent/Carer Questionnaires' last term. The vast majority of the feedback was overwhelming positive, it's great to know that on the whole we are getting it right. It was also great to receive feedback regards areas we could further improve. There will be a summary of your feedback on the website next week and alongside the feedback the plan for how we hope to address the items you raised.

## 'School Fundraising' - Mr Bullough



Mr Bullough, parent of Amelia in primary was so overwhelmed with the support he received with his fundraising earlier this year; after completing four back-to-back challenges.

The money raised will allow Amelia and other pupils to benefit from Sensory Regulation Therapy to help meet their increasingly complex sensory needs.

The four challenges were the Born Survivor, Great Manchester Marathon, Brathay Windermere Marathon and the Great North Swim in Windermere. So far this year Mr Bullough has raised £3028 which includes £366 donations from Mr A Finney. Mr Bullough has also been promised match funding from work on top of this amount which is amazing!

If you would like to support Mr Bullough and Astley Park, you can sponsor him by visiting his just-giving page [www.justgiving.com/amelias-daddy](http://www.justgiving.com/amelias-daddy)

## 'School Refurbishments'

As you may be aware a number of premises developments took place over the summer holidays.

Classroom re-decoration & refurbishment—We have had four classes re-decorated—7R, 8G, 8R and 9R and have refurbished the bathroom in Beech Class.

New School Fence & gate —We had a new fence around the school perimeter to help to make it more secure.

Roof. Due to the bad weather over summer, the replacement of the Primary roof is still on-going. The work is likely to take 1-2 weeks. I understand it is having an impact on pick up and drop off, please bear with us for a couple more weeks.

