

# Headteacher's Newsletter

Issue 3

November 2024

## Headteacher's Update

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term.

Many thanks for your attendance at Parents' Consultation Evenings in the last week of term; we hope you found the meeting informative. If you have any further questions or wish to follow up on anything from the meeting as the term progresses, please do get in touch. This term you should have received (or will soon receive) the class newsletter via ParentMail; this is intended to outline the curriculum your child will be studying up to the Christmas break.

### PARENT SURVEY

We are always keen to seek feedback and hear your views as we strive to deliver the best schooling experience we can for your children and would be very grateful if you could take the time to complete the following Parent Survey.

Please click the link to complete the survey.

<https://forms.office.com/e/Ye0r72YhmJ>

## Charity Contributions



Thank you for your contributions to our Harvest foodbank collection.

We received the following message from the Warehouse Manager at Leeds NW foodbank:

*I'm now writing to thank all your colleagues and pupils for your generous harvest donation of food and toiletries to our foodbank. Trussell foodbanks rely almost entirely on donations (of food or money) to meet the increasing needs of people in our area in these challenging times. **Your donation of 151 kg will provide about 359 individual meals.***



## Learning new languages



Thanks to Mrs Shutt, over the past few terms, we have all been learning Makaton sign language as part of our Friday assembly. The children have really enjoyed learning the language and signing has become part of our daily routine as we move around school.

All children from Nursery upwards, learn to speak Spanish at Adel, but as there are many more languages spoken within our school community, we are aiming to expand our knowledge.

Every 6 weeks, as a school, we will aim to learn some key words and phrases in the home language of some of our children. So far, I have had volunteers from children to teach their peers Greek, Lithuanian and Bengali.

We start our Greek lessons this Friday – we'll keep you updated with our progress.

## School Uniform Charges

Following a change in our suppliers, there has been a slight increase in the price of school book bags but a decrease in the price of school ties.



Both items can be purchased from the school office and paid for via ParentMail.



Book bags - £4.30 (previously £4.05)

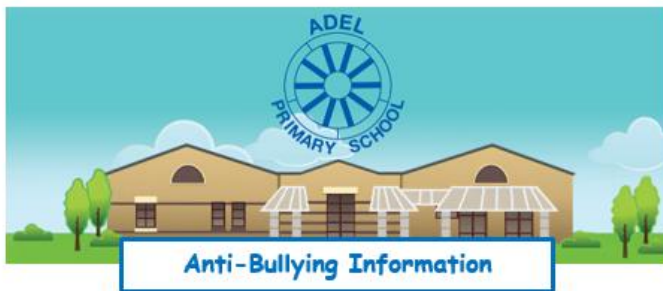
School ties - £3.05 (previously £4.05)

## Anti-Bullying Week

This week is Anti-Bullying week. We recognise this event every year and it is a fun way to celebrate our differences and promote a sense of unity within our school community. However, Anti-Bullying is not just an event that happens once a year. It is a topic that we work tirelessly on as part of our Kindness Matters agenda throughout the school year, delivered through assemblies, the curriculum and also the school council. Each year the children review our child-friendly Anti-Bullying posters which are displayed throughout school. Please talk to your child about Anti-Bullying.

Click the link below to view school's Anti-Bullying policy.

<https://www.adelprimary.org.uk/site/data/files/users/key-info/8BD44FDEA4A936748DBE20793A2D41F7.pdf>



Keeping you safe and happy in and out of school is our most important job. We can do this by:

- Helping you to know what bullying is.
- Teaching you what to do if you feel like you are being bullied or if someone else is being bullied.
- Telling you names of the grown-ups you can speak to.
- Being there to help and support you to make things better.

Several  
Times  
On  
Purpose



Start  
Telling  
Other  
People



Sometimes we don't know if something bad is happening, so  
you need to tell us.



[Useful online sites](#)

Childline: 0800 1111 <https://www.childline.org.uk/>

NSPCC: 0800 800 5000

Mindmate - Worried about bullying? <https://www.mindmate.org.uk/im-a-young-person/coping-common-issues/worried-about-bullying/>

## Dates for the term ahead

Please find below dates for the year ahead. If there are any changes or additions to the dates given, these will be notified on the school website, ParentMail and/or Headteacher Newsletters.

Any events added after September 2024 are written in **RED**.

### Training Days 2024/2025

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
 4<sup>th</sup> Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025  
 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025

### Areas covered in staff training time

Autumn/winter term twilight sessions  
 Spring/summer term twilight sessions  
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### November 2024

Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Y1	NHS Audiology check
w/c 18 <sup>th</sup> November	ALL	Road Safety week
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Y6	Year 6 Class Assembly 2.30pm (hall)
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	ALL	Road Safety workshops (new event added)
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Y5	Year 5 Class Assembly 2.30pm (hall)
26 <sup>th</sup> Nov to 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	ALL	Travelling Book Fair in school (new event)
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4	Year 4 Class Assembly 2.30 pm (hall)
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November		Open Day for prospective Reception parents for 2024/25 Session at 9am

### December 2024

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December		Open Evening for prospective Reception parents for 2024/25 Session at 6pm
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	ALL	APPA Christmas fair 4pm to 6pm
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	ALL	Christmas Lunch served
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Y1 & Y2	Key Stage 1 Festive Concert 9am (hall)
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Nur & Rec	Foundation Stage Festive Concert 9.15am (hall)
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	GOVS	2 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Full Governing Body 3.30pm
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3 & Y4	Year 3/4 Festive Concert 9am (hall)
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Y5 & Y6	9am - Year 5/6 Festive Concert
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Y1 & Y2	Key Stage 1 Christmas party
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3	The Snowman & Youth Orchestra Class Visit (new event)
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3 to Y6	Key Stage 2 Christmas party
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Nur & Rec	Foundation Christmas party
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	ALL	School Closes 3.10pm    OOS Club Closes 6pm
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	ALL	SCHOOL CLOSED – TRAINING DAY

### Christmas Break Holiday

#### SPRING TERM 1

#### January 2025

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Nur to Y6	School Opens for all pupils in <b>Nursery to Year 6</b> 8.40am
<del>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January</del>	<del>Nur</del>	<del>Nursery CLOSED for home visits</del>
<del>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January</del>	<del>Nur</del>	<del>Nursery OPEN</del>
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	ALL	Throwback Thursday – A screen free day
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Rec & Y6	Reception and Year 6 NHS check in school (all day)
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> January	ALL	Dogs Trust - dog safety workshops (new event)
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	Y3	Year 3 Class Assembly – 2.30 pm (hall)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	Y1 to Y6	APPA movie Night

## Road Safety Week

We are taking part in the annual Road Safety week, commencing Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November. The Road safety team at Leeds City council will be joining us in school on Wednesday of that week to deliver across school road safety awareness workshops.

**After the  
crash.** **Road  
Safety  
Week**  
Every road victim counts

**17-23 November 2024**

**#RoadSafetyWeek**

Delivered by  Brake The road safety charity Sponsored by  AUTOGLASS

Every week, I receive reports from children, parents, staff or neighbours detailing inconsiderate driving or parking, speeding or near misses. When I speak to the children in assembly about safety/cars around school, unfortunately there are far too many hands that shoot up to share an experience they have had. I understand that it is the minority rather than the majority who drive inconsiderately, but it only takes one careless driver for an accident to occur.

We will continue to raise the profile of road safety at school and ask that you do the same at home with children and family members.

**And finally.....**

### Open Days and Nursery Places

We still have places available in Nursery for both 15 and 30 hours places – please contact the school office if you are interested.

Open Days for prospective parents in 2025/26 will take place on the following days:

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 9am

and

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm

