



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 16th October

ASAK Parents/Carers, I pray that you and your loved ones are in the best of health and keeping safe. In these most unprecedented of times, I thank each and every one of you for your understanding and unwavering support. Indeed, these are extremely testing times and the challenges we face daily can sometimes seem very overwhelming. However, we trust in the Almighty's plan and continue to strive for the very best outcomes for all our pupils and families. Sadly, these past few weeks have witnessed many deaths on our door step affecting some of our families. I humbly request that you remember our pupils, staff, and our families as well as the wider community in your precious prayers. Please do forgive us for our shortcomings. As we approach the half-term, please take time to rest and recharge. We have deliberately not set any homework so that you can take a break and enjoy precious moments together as a family, iA.

COVID Reminder

We would like to reiterate the importance of **NOT** sending your child to school if **ANYONE** in your house has a possible COVID symptom (a new cough, high temperature, loss of taste/smell). Please ring school if you are unsure and need further guidance.

This also applies if you anyone in your household is awaiting a test result. In the meantime, it is important your child joins MS Teams at **8:30am prompt** to access the lessons from home.

School Photographs

Due to two Class Bubble Closures, we have made the decision to postpone the individual photographs until the Spring Term. There are also many families who are self-isolating too, so the sensible thing would be to wait until this period is over. We will inform you of the new dates, closer to the time.

Cars Arriving Early

Our system for children to be dismissed safely at home time needs your full support, for it to work correctly. A tremendous thank you to the parents who are extremely supportive and follow the processes correctly. We are very grateful. Unfortunately, there are a small group of parents who are persistently choosing to ignore our instructions and cause much undue stress.

These parents are arriving very early and then creating traffic congestion in the streets around the school whilst causing inconvenience to other road users and neighbouring businesses. Yet again, I politely remind these parents of the processes we have in place:

Non-siblings:

The school gates will not open until **2.30pm**. Arriving even one minute earlier, causes problems for everyone. There is no prize for being the first car outside! We have designed a FIFTEEN-minute collection window. So you do not need to arrive even one minute before 2.30pm. Remember you can arrive **BETWEEN 2.30pm and 2.45pm**. **PLEASE respect the repeated requests we are making.**

Siblings:

This collection time is **BETWEEN 2.45pm – 3pm**. Again, many parents are arriving early and then queuing around the school and causing much inconvenience to others. Parking in the B&Q delivery bay or double yellows is not allowed. So please do not arrive before 2.45pm. Otherwise, we will ask you to leave the neighbouring streets and return at your correct time. Sibling children will not be ready to be dismissed until 2.45pm. Due to the dangers posed by these cars arriving early, we have had no choice but to allow these cars onto site. This compromises the safety of our children who are still travelling to their dismissal points. Please **do not arrive before 2.45pm**.

Thank you for your support and understanding.