



# Aston Fields Middle School

Striving for Excellence: Learning for Life

20<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Once again, it has been an extremely busy half term, with many opportunities for our pupils to demonstrate their character, including science and art events, university trips and our Year 8 Futures Day tomorrow, all designed to complement our traditional curriculum offer, expand our pupils' horizons and support their wider personal development. Our Year 6 pupils impressed us all, taking their KS2 SATs assessments in their stride. We could not be prouder of their resilience and determination.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers that pupils break up for Whitsun on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 3.30pm** and return to school on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 8.50am**. Pupils break up for the summer holidays on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 3.30pm** and return to school on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026 for new Y5 pupils only and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September for Year 6, 7 & 8 pupils (along with Y5). Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September is a TE Day. The full set of term dates, including TE Days, for the academic year 2026/27 can be found on the school's website.

Please may I also remind parents and carers that our summer uniform allows pupils to wear a school polo shirt in place of their white shirts and ties. PE uniform must **only** be worn on days when pupils have their PE lessons, as explained at the start of the year. We continue to expect a high standard of uniform from all pupils, throughout the year, and I would like to thank you for your ongoing support. As the weather gets warmer, pupils should also be encouraged to apply sun-cream before school and bring a cap for their breaks and lunch times. When the weather allows, our Year 8 pupils have the privilege of using the school field at lunchtimes and they have impressed us with their maturity.

As we approach the final half term, I would like to inform you of some staffing changes for the following year. Miss Bratton is stepping down as Director of Year 7 but will remain with us as Director of Design Technology and as a form teacher, and Mrs Hooper will be leaving us for a new challenge. I will say goodbye properly in my final letter of the year; however, I would like to thank both of them for their dedication to the pupils and families of Aston Fields Middle School.

Mrs Eccles joined us in April as our new receptionist and has settled in well to the school community. Joining us in September will be Miss Parkes and Mr Smith, who will be joining us as Key Stage 2 teachers. Mr Delaney will become the Director of Year 7, Mrs Nowak will move to be Director of Year 6 and Mrs Weston has been appointed as the new Director of Year 5. In addition, Mrs Loxley has been appointed Director of History.

Finally, I would like to inform you that we are currently recruiting for a new teaching assistant for September, details can be found on the school website by the end of the week.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Hales  
Headteacher



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