# ACOMB FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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#### A Message from Miss Williamson

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderfully positive start to this academic year it has been! From the very first day of term, the children have returned with enthusiasm, kindness, and a real eagerness to learn. It has been a joy to see classrooms buzzing with curiosity and our school community thriving together once again.

I am also incredibly proud to share that Acomb First School has recently achieved a number of prestigious awards and recognitions, reflecting the hard work, dedication, and ambition of our whole school community:

- Tlagship Status for Skills Builder recognising our outstanding commitment to developing essential skills such as teamwork, creativity, and problem-solving across the curriculum.
- Exceptional Beat Anaphylaxis Status we are the first school in the pilot programme to achieve this enhanced accreditation, demonstrating our dedication to creating a safe and inclusive environment for all pupils.
- School Games Mark Gold Award celebrating our commitment to high-quality PE, sport, and physical activity throughout the school.

These achievements are a testament to the teamwork between staff, pupils, parents, and our wider community, and I want to thank each and every one of you for your support.

I am truly excited for the term ahead and all the opportunities it will bring. Together, we are making Acomb First School a place where every child can flourish.



#### Welcome to Our New Parent Governors

We are delighted to announce the appointment of two new Parent Governors to our Governing Body: Sarah Little and Graham Crow. We are thrilled to have them join our team and look forward to working together to continue supporting the school's vision and ensuring the best outcomes for all our children.

#### Harvest Festival – A Wonderful Celebration

Last week's Harvest Festival was a truly special occasion. The children performed beautifully, and it was lovely to see so many families joining us to celebrate this important time of year.

A huge thank you to everyone who has already contributed to our Food Bank collection. Your generosity makes a real difference to local families in need.

Don't forget — we will continue collecting donations up until half term, so there's still plenty of time to contribute if you wish.

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#### Open Day – This Saturday

We are excited to welcome prospective families to our Open Day this Saturday.

This is a fantastic opportunity for parents to see our school in action, meet staff, and discover what makes Acomb First School such a special place.

If you know anyone who may be interested in joining our school community, please do share the details and encourage them to come along — we'd love to meet them!



### Acomb First School Achieves Exceptional BeatAnaphylaxis

Status
We are absolutely thrilled to share that Acomb
First School has been successfully accredited
as a BeatAnaphylaxis-Friendly School with
enhanced 'Exceptional Status'!

Even more impressively, our school was the very first to achieve the accreditation standard out of the 12 sites taking part in the pilot programme with Anaphylaxis UK — a fantastic accolade that reflects the dedication, training, and care shown

by our entire staff and school community.

This achievement highlights our commitment to ensuring that every child is safe, supported, and included.

On Wednesday this week in order to continue to raise awareness, we are inviting all children to come to school wearing bright colours.

#### **National Fitness Day Success**

We had an amazing time celebrating National Fitness Day last week! The children threw themselves into all the activities with great enthusiasm, making it a fun and energetic day for everyone.

A big thank you goes to Mrs Shaw and Mr Kendall for organising such a brilliant range of activities.

Thanks to your generous donations, we are thrilled to share that we raised £200 for the school. This money will go towards supporting future enrichment activities for our pupils.

#### Autumn Fair - Join the Fun!

We are delighted to announce our first ever Autumn Fair!

Come and join us for a wonderful seasonal celebration featuring pumpkin picking, autumnal stalls, delicious food and drinks, and lots of fun activities for the whole family.

It promises to be a fantastic community event — we hope to see many of you there!

## Family Bingo Night – Tickets Now on Sale

Get your dabbers ready! Our much-loved Family Bingo Night is coming up soon.

Tickets are now on sale from the school office. Please note that numbers are limited due to the size of the hall, so we encourage you to buy your tickets as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

It's always a brilliant evening filled with fun, laughter, and a few surprises — we can't wait to see you there!