



Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

Newsletter Date

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Parent Questionnaire

We would really appreciate it if you could take a few minutes to complete the Ofsted parent questionnaire, link below. Your feedback will help us continue to improve Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery.

We have not been notified of a planned Ofsted inspection, when we do receive a date we will share the information immediately.

Thank you for your support.

<https://perspective.angelsolutions.co.uk/diagnostics/Survey.aspx?link=daf54add-2227-4609-b514-2358aa047a95>

Forest School

Ashleigh Forest School is now run by Mrs Roberts within school, but previously it was run in collaboration with Nurture by Nature, by Ms Hannah Burns. We received the sad news last week that Ms Burns died following a very brave battle against pancreatic cancer.

We appreciate that some parents will have known Mrs Burns and wanted to share this news with you. We have not communicated it directly to the children, our current Year 4 would be the main ones to have worked with Ms Burns. The Year 4 classes will be touching on the subject as part of a planned, PATHS approach, please do speak to Miss Carter or Mr Saunders if you have any questions.

We will be planting a tree in memory of Ms Burns in our Forest School area.

Tissue Boxes

Year 1 would really appreciate some more donations of empty rectangular tissue boxes for topic work. Please either send in to class or leave with the school office. Thank you.

Maths Week from Monday 29th January

This year's Maths Week will commence on Monday 29th January. The focus for this week will be problem solving and being able to identify the 5 different types of mathematical problems. Please ask your child what types of problems they have been learning about.

A maths trail will be available to all year groups where we hope to raise the profile of maths in the environment. Children will have the opportunity to apply the mathematical skills they have learnt in class to real life problems.

We will be posting on our school twitter feed and class blogs to showcase all of the wonderful problem solving, so please keep an eye out!

Finally, we have tied our Maths week in with NSPCC's 'Number Day'. On Friday 2nd February we are asking the children to wear their own clothes with a link to maths in some way (e.g. t-shirts with numbers, stripes, shapes) and bring in £1 to donate to the NSPCC.

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Communication Matters - Starts 31st January

We're pleased to confirm the Communication Matters family learning will be starting on Wednesday 31st January from 9:30-11:30 for six weeks, finishing on Wednesday 14th March. All those parents who applied have been sent an email or text confirmation with the details.

There are still a few spaces on the course, if anyone is interested in joining, please contact the school office for a form.

Swimming Lesson Cancellation - 6th February

Wymondham Leisure Centre have unfortunately had to cancel our swimming session planned for Tuesday 6th February. Maple class' last lesson this half term will be on Tuesday 30th January.

Students

You may have noticed some new faces in school, we have two PGCE students with us for a school placement. Miss Craven is working with Bat class and Miss Ransome is with Oak class. We also have a German student, Miss Mallman, who is based with Maple class.

Sports Hall Athletics

On 10th and 12th January we were involved in an Athletics event at Wymondham Leisure Centre. On Wednesday we took a team from Year 3 and 4, and on Friday a team from Year 5. Both teams rose to the challenge and put in impressive performances. The Year 3/4 team were only 4 points off first place. The Year 5 team worked just as hard and achieved maximum points for the girls' speed bounce, and the boys' 2 lap relay race.

We were particularly pleased with the children's behaviour on both occasions, they were a real credit to the school. Well done to all involved!

SEN Parent Forum - 2pm Friday 23rd February

I would like to invite parents to a SEN forum to answer questions and discuss ideas we could consider implementing in school. There will be coffee and cake, I hope you can join me!

Mrs Lacey

Ashleigh Friends

Quiz and Chips

Save the date - On Friday 9th March Ashleigh Friends will be hosting our next Quiz and Chips night in the school hall at 7pm. Tickets will cost £7.50 per person including entry and food, teams can be up to 8 people. Letters will be coming home before half term. If you wish to reserve your table in advance please email ashleighfriendspta@hotmail.co.uk

Aviva Community Fund

We are pleased to announce that Ashleigh Primary will be the recipient of a further award from the Aviva Community Fund following the success of our second application to the fund for the new school library. We have won a brilliant £300. Thank you to everyone who voted for this.

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Change 4 Life Healthy Year Calendar

We have started to use the Change 4 Life Healthy Year Calendar in school and will be giving the children new activity ideas each week in assembly. This week they were:

- Create your own healthy rhyme or song with actions. Share it with the class!
- Touch your toes and stretch, stand tall and stretch or lean to the side with your arm over your head. Can you think of other stretches?

Wisepay: Nursery, Years 3, 4 and 5

- Menus are available to book online up to Friday 2nd March.
- If your child is ill on a day you have pre-booked a meal, please contact the office with details of a lunch you would like to book in its place. Thank you.

Nursery, Years 3, 4 and 5 need to book meals via Wisepay please.

- If you need a copy of your log-in details, please contact the school office.
- We are aware that some mobile phones are unable to access the Wisepay website, Wisepay have confirmed that they are in the final stages of testing a new App which will hopefully resolve that issue once it is rolled out.

Diary Dates - Weekly Updates

Please take a moment each week to check this section to see if there have been additional activities organised for your child/ren's classes or year groups.

Parents are invited to join their child's class assemblies and family learning events.

Mon 29 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30-10:30am Nursery Stay and Play • 2:15pm Woodwind Assembly for Parents of Year 4 & 5 children taking Woodwind lessons (Rearranged from 22nd)
Tues 30 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a.m. Year 4 Maple Class Swimming at Wymondham Leisure Centre
Wed 31 st Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30-11:30am Communication Matters • 1:30-2:30pm Nursery Stay and Play
Thurs 1 st Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30-10:30am Nursery Stay and Play
Fri 2 nd Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-Uniform NSPCC Number Day (£1 donation to NSPCC please). • 9:30-10:30am Nursery Stay and Play
Tues 5 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:05am Violin Assembly for Parents of Year 4 & 5 children taking Violin lessons
Tues 6 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a.m. Year 4 Maple Class Swimming at Wymondham Leisure Centre • p.m. Year 5 Family Learning (details to follow)
Wed 7 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:05am Brass/Guitar Assembly for Parents of Year 4 & 5 children taking Brass or Guitar lessons • 9:30-11:30am Communication Matters • 1:15-2:45pm Year 4 Family Learning (details to follow)
Thurs 8 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2pm Year 1 Family Learning – Toy Museum
Fri 9 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:30pm Year 2 Family Learning Event • 3pm School closes for half term
Wed 14 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30-11:30am Communication Matters
Mon 19 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:45am School reopens
Tues 20 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 2 Wymondham Walk
Tues 27 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 5 Football v Colman Junior (Cup) – Home
Wed 28 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30-11:30am Communication Matters
Wed 7 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30-11:30am Communication Matters
Thurs 8 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 5 Football v White Woman Lane Junior – Away
Fri 9 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ashleigh Friends Quiz & Chips Night (details to follow)
Wed 14 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30-11:30am Communication Matters

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	• Year 5 Football v Horsford Junior – Away
Wed 21 st Mar	• Reception trip to High Lodge
Wed 27 th Jun	• Year 3 to Royal Norfolk Show (details to follow)

Music Lessons

These begin week commencing Monday 18th September and run every:
Monday Violin & Woodwind Lessons for participating Year 4 & 5 children
Wednesday Brass & Guitar lessons for participating Year 4 & 5 children
(Music teachers will be notified of relevant school trips).

Term Dates

2017/18 Term Dates

Friday 9 th February	3:00pm School closes for half term
Monday 19 th February	8:45am School opens for Spring 2
Wednesday 28 th March	3:00pm School closes for Easter holidays
Monday 16 th April	8:45am School opens for Summer 1
Monday 7 th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 25 th May	3:00pm School closes for half term
Monday 4 th June	8:45am School opens for Summer 2
Tuesday 24 th July	3:00pm School closes for summer holidays

2018/19 Term Dates

Monday 3 rd September	INSET Day
Tuesday 4 th September	INSET Day
Wednesday 5 th September	INSET Day
Thursday 6 th September	8:45am School opens for Autumn 1
Wednesday 17 th October	3:00pm School closes for half term
Monday 29 th October	8:45am School opens for Autumn 2
Tuesday 18 th December	3:00pm School closes for Christmas holidays
Wednesday 2 nd January	INSET Day
Thursday 3 rd January	8:45am School opens for Spring 1
Friday 15 th February	3:00pm School closes for half term
Monday 25 th February	8:45am School opens for Spring 2
Friday 5 th April	3:00pm School closes for Easter holidays
Tuesday 23 rd April	8:45am School opens for Summer 1
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 24 th May	3:00pm School closes for half term
Monday 3 rd June	8:45am School opens for Summer 2
Wednesday 24 th July	3:00pm School closes for summer holidays



We have children with severe nut allergies in school; can we remind everyone that **no nuts of any kind should be coming into Ashleigh Primary School**; whether as snacks, within confectionary, sandwich spreads (including Nutella) or any other product. Thank you.