



# Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

Newsletter Date

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## Year 5 Event - 3:10pm Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March

Year 5 are organising an after-school Harry Potter Fayre on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March. The children will be running their own stalls, selling items including bookmarks and cakes. There is also a Harry Potter quiz, (aimed at Years 3, 4 and 5) and a Disney quiz (for Nursery, Reception, Years 1 and 2) which can be purchased for £1. Everyone is welcome to complete the quiz and/or attend the fayre, but this is entirely voluntary.

## PE Kits

Please remember to send in a PE kit for your child to keep in school. Weather permitting, we will go outside for PE lessons so please include appropriate outdoor clothing and footwear. Thank you.

## Year 5 Football Fixtures

We were due to play Colman Junior School at home on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, we will let you know as soon as this date is rearranged.

v Horsford Junior (Away) – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March

v White Woman Lane Junior (Away) – Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

## World Book Day - Rearranged Dates

We have rearranged

- Story Café for Nursery, Reception, Years 1 and 2
- Big Book Quiz for Years 3, 4 and 5

to **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March**; 3:15-4:15pm.

Children will be taken to the event by class teachers. Collection arrangements will be as normal for the main school and Nursery children will come out from Dragonfly room. Older siblings will come out with younger siblings. We are assuming that the children due to attend on 28<sup>th</sup> February will all be coming on 21<sup>st</sup> March so please contact the office if that is no longer the case. There are still some places left so please request a booking form if your child would like to attend.

Dress Up Day has been rearranged to **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**.

Ketts Books will also be running their book fair after school on **22<sup>nd</sup> March**.

World Book Day Tokens were sent out via classes on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March, they are valid to use until 25<sup>th</sup> March so they can still be used at Ketts Book Fair on the 22<sup>nd</sup> if you wish.

## After-School Clubs - Rescheduled Sessions

Following on from last week's snow days, the after-school club providers will be offering the following arrangements to make up for the missed session/s.

### **Additional Session**

Fencing: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March

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Dodgeball: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March  
TKF Karate: Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March  
Learn Play Grow: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April  
Mad Science: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April

**Additional Time**

Football is going to run for an extra 15 minutes per session until the end of term, pick up via the school office at **4:30pm**.

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## Set Your Sights Assembly 9:05am Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Drama After School Club

We would like to invite parents of children taking part in the Drama After School Club to an assembly run by Set Your Sights on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 9:05am. We hope you can join us to see what the children have been learning.

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## Sports Relief - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

We will be raising money for Sport Relief on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Classes are deciding how they would like to raise the money this year.

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## Year 2 ESKA Karate Grading - Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Year 2 classes have been learning karate in school time, they will be grading for Red Belt on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March, **Deer** class at 9:15am and **Fox** class at 10:15am. Parents are welcome to come into watch, please come via the school office to sign in. There will be a letter with more information sent out from ESKA sent home next week.

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## Dogs on School Site

Please do not bring any dogs, of any size, onto the school site; and tie them up well away from the school gates. Thank you for your cooperation.

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## School Communication

- From Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March, the text messages you receive from school will appear differently on your phone. Our service provider, Teachers2Parents, have introduced an additional new security verification measure to allow parents/carers to check that the messages you receive are from school. You will continue to receive messages from a secure number with the school message ID now in the body of the message, accompanied with a link at the beginning of the message to click through to a Teachers2Parents verification page; confirming that the sender of the message is genuine. You will be asked to click to verify the message. If you experience any problems with text messages from Ashleigh, please let us know.
- *Please note that we use text messages for specific reasons, such as changes made at short notice or absence from school, our usual form of communication is via email.*
- We are changing our school Management Information System from SIMS to Pupil Asset. To check that all the information has transferred correctly, we will be sending the contact details for each child home by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March, please look out for these and return the form, amended if required, and signed, to school before the end of term.
- Text and email communications will soon be sent out via Pupil Asset rather than Teachers2Parents but we will phase this in over the next few weeks.

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## Ashleigh Farm Project - can you help?

We are urgently looking for a team of around 10 adult (accompanying children also welcome) volunteers to help lay a gravel path across the Ashleigh Farm area on **Saturday March 17<sup>th</sup>**. The project will be led by Mr Finch and will involve cutting and laying timber edging, a weed proof membrane and a good covering of gravel from the front gates of the farm across to the nursery gate. This path will help make the farm area more accessible during the winter months. He is looking particularly for volunteers with wheel barrows, spades, drills and saws. Please either email Mr Finch (via [office@ashleigh.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:office@ashleigh.norfolk.sch.uk)) or speak to him directly. If you have any seeds or compost you would be happy to donate to the Farm, please drop these into the school office. Thank you!

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## Waste Week 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> March

This week has been Waste Week and as part of this the Eco Council have been waging a war on waste! They discussed it in school assembly and they built up teams of "Waste Warriors" where each person in the team must collect at least 5 pieces of litter. The Eco Council organised the teams, they were aware that if they saw an item that could pose a risk; then they were not to touch it and report it to a member of staff who would dispose of it safely. We are currently working towards our first Green Flag award with Eco Schools and our 3 areas are waste, food and community.

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## Ashleigh Friends Quiz and Chips

### **Quiz and Chips – 9<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm**

We are pleased to announce that the quiz and chips is now fully booked and we have a full house expected. Don't forget that each team is asked to bring along a raffle prize on the night, based around food and drink. We look forward to a fun filled night.

### **Cake Sale**

Ashleigh Friends will be holding our next cake sale on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March, after school in the playground. We will be asking for cake donations nearer the time.

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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 to:

- Make up a dance class – you could base it on a theme such as different types of animals or dances from other countries;
  - The Eatwell Guide shows how much of what we eat overall should come from each food group to achieve a healthy, balanced diet. Use it to plan a healthy meal with your class or for your family.
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## Wisepay: Nursery, Years 3, 4 and 5

- Menus are available to book online up to **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> 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.
- If you booked lunches via Wisepay (Nursery, Years 3, 4 and 5) for days when the school was closed due to snow, please call or email the office and we can rearrange those bookings to a new date.

### **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.

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- 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 & Rearranged Events

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 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3:10pm Year 5 Fayre</li> <li>3:15-4:30pm PATHS Art Exhibition</li> </ul>
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a.m. Elm Class swimming at Wymondham Leisure Centre</li> <li>3:15-4:30 PATHS Art Exhibition</li> </ul>
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00-11:30am Communication Matters</li> <li>3pm Year 5 Football v Horsford Junior – Away</li> <li>3:15-4:30pm PATHS Art Exhibition</li> </ul>
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12 x Year 5 children to visit Cambridge</li> <li>1:15-2:45pm Hazel Class – French Family Learning</li> </ul>
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ashleigh Farm Project (please contact Mr Finch)</li> </ul>
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a.m. Elm Class swimming at Wymondham Leisure Centre</li> </ul>
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00-11:30am Communication Matters</li> <li>Reception trip to High Lodge</li> <li>3:15-4:15pm Story Café and Big Book Quiz</li> </ul>
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:05am Drama After School Club Assembly</li> <li>World Book Day – Dress as Favourite Characters</li> <li>3:00-4:00pm Ketts Book Fair (Rear Mobile)</li> </ul>
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sports Relief</li> <li>9:00am Year 4 and 5 After School Club Choir Assembly</li> </ul>
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1:30-2:30pm Nursery Stay and Play</li> <li>3pm Ashleigh Friends Cake Sale</li> <li>3:10-3:45pm Year 5 Ancient Greece Exhibition</li> </ul>
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a.m. Year 2 Karate Grading (ESKA to send letter inviting parents)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:15am Deer</li> <li>10:15am Foxes</li> </ul> </li> <li>9:30-10:30am Nursery Stay and Play</li> <li>a.m. Elm Class swimming at Wymondham Leisure Centre</li> <li>2:15pm Year 1 African Drumming Performance</li> <li>3pm Year 5 Football v White Woman Lane Junior – Away</li> <li>3:45pm After School Club African Drumming Performance</li> </ul>
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:30-10:30am Nursery Stay and Play</li> <li>3:10-3:40pm Year 4 Open Classroom</li> </ul>
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 3 to Royal Norfolk Show (letter to follow)</li> </ul>
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12-4pm Ashleigh Friends Summer Festival</li> </ul>

### Music Lessons

**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

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 3:00pm School closes for Easter holidays

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 8:45am School opens for Summer 1

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May Bank Holiday

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May 3:00pm School closes for half term

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July

8:45am School opens for Summer 2  
3:00pm School closes for summer holidays

**2018/19 Term Dates**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

INSET Day  
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8:45am School opens for Autumn 1  
3:00pm School closes for half term  
8:45am School opens for Autumn 2  
3:00pm School closes for Christmas holidays

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

INSET Day  
8:45am School opens for Spring 1  
3:00pm School closes for half term  
8:45am School opens for Spring 2  
3:00pm School closes for Easter holidays

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July

8:45am School opens for Summer 1  
Bank Holiday  
3:00pm School closes for half term  
8:45am School opens for Summer 2  
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.

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