



Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

Newsletter Date

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End of Year

As we reach the end of the academic year, I'd like to thank you all for your continued support. This year has been challenging and it is hard to believe that 12 months ago we didn't have any of the new building and were worried about having the first three classrooms, the new hall and kitchen ready for our return in September!

The children and staff have been adaptable and flexible throughout the transition to primary, particularly back in the Autumn Term, and I'm pleased to say we are now in the final stages. When you return to school in September, the new large playground will have been re-laid (we complained about the standard of the work and it will be replaced) and the slip road at the front of the school will have been resurfaced. In the school, we will be continuing to redecorate and update the original building.

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable summer.

Sam Nixon
Headteacher

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who has brought gifts in to the classes, and office, we really appreciate your kindness.

Staff News

We are sad to say goodbye today to Mrs Carolan (Hedgehog), Miss Farrow (Deer) and Ms Popovici (Cook), they have all been wonderful during their time at Ashleigh. We will miss them but wish them all well in their new ventures from September!

Congratulations to Miss Carter who is getting married over the summer and will return in September as Mrs Mann.

School Uniform

It is important that your child is dressed in practical clothing plus have appropriate footwear as the children spend a lot of time outside on the field and play apparatus. Wellies and coats should be in school at all times as we go out in all weathers. [↗](#)

Children wear a school uniform made up of your own choice of white polo shirts, grey trousers, skirts or pinafore dresses and uniform items which can be ordered from Birds of Dereham.

Birds of Dereham have confirmed that week commencing Monday 11th September will be the first week for deliveries to school following the start of term. Birds of Dereham, Unit D, 13 Yaxham Road, Dereham, NR19 1HB



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Telephone 01362 692941 <https://www.birdsofdereham.com/>

Important!

Please, make sure that **all items of your child's clothing are clearly named, including shoes** - it is almost impossible to identify the owner of lost clothes otherwise. We will return all named items to children. Please also ensure that your child's coat has a strong hanging loop securely attached to it.

Jewellery

For reasons of security and safety, jewellery should not be worn. We recognise that there may be exceptions to this rule for cultural or religious reasons. In such instances please discuss your particular circumstances with the head teacher. Children should not wear earrings to school on days when they do PE unless they are able to remove them themselves. School staff are not permitted to remove or replace earrings. We recommend that any ear piercing takes place at the beginning of the summer holidays.

Year 3 Performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream

We would like to say a huge well done to all the Year 3 children who took part in their performance of a Midsummer Night's Dream, they were amazing. We'd also like to thank Mr Finch and all the staff involved in organising and helping the children get ready, the whole production was a wonderful team effort.

Nursery & Reception - Tapestry Accounts

If you have not already downloaded your child's Tapestry account please do so before the end of July, after that point the reports will no longer be available.

School Lunches Order via Wisepay for: Nursery, Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

From September please pre-book meals for Nursery, Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 children via Wisepay.

- Please pre-book for weeks commencing Monday 3rd and Monday 10th September.
- Booking will close at **midnight on Sunday 2nd and Sunday 9th September** respectively.
- 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 need a copy of your log-in details, please contact the school office.

Year 3 from September

Just a reminder that from Year 3 children no longer receive a free daily snack, if you would like to send them with a piece of fruit or other healthy snack (none containing nuts), please do so.

Wisepay should be available to book for September Year 3 during the holidays, if you have any problems, please email office@ashleigh.norfolk.sch.uk

EDP Sports Tokens

We would like to say a big Thank You! to everyone who collected the EDP "Sports for Schools" tokens for Ashleigh. We collected over 1,000 tokens and will receive a sports pack worth over £60.



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September Year 6 Residential Trip Payments

Full payment will be required by Friday 14th September.

Payment Schedule:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Due By</u>
1 st Instalment	£55.00	29 th June 2018
2 nd Instalment	£55.00	20 th July 2018
3rd Instalment	£55.00	14th September 2018
OR		
Full payment	£165.00	14th September 2018

School Assemblies

Starting in the Autumn term Miss Webb will be arranging a series of assemblies which celebrate some of the different cultures we have within the school. If you would be happy to share your own experiences or contribute to an assembly in some way please either contact the office to express your interest, or speak to Miss Webb. Thank you

Ashleigh Friends

Would you like to join Ashleigh Friends?

Members of Ashleigh Friends have worked hard this year putting on some fantastic events for the school whilst raising money to be able to support the school. We are already looking forward to next year and are going to see some big changes. After 4 years the committee will be looking for a new Chair to take the helm. If you are interested in joining the PTA in any capacity, whether to just help out when you can, or to take on a role on the committee please email ashleighfriendspta@hotmail.co.uk and we would be happy to chat with you and answer any questions.

School Clubs Available for Autumn Term

Please see below the clubs currently booked in to run after school during the autumn term. More clubs will be advised once confirmed. **Booking forms will be sent out when we return in September.** This is for information only at this stage.

Day	Club	Year Groups
Mondays starting 24th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">DramaPop Dance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Years 1 – 6Years 1 – 6
Tuesdays starting 25th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">GymnasticsAfrican Drumming	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Years 1 – 6Years 2 – 6
Wednesdays starting 26th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">FootballCheer LeadingKarate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Years 1 – 6Years 3 – 6Years 1 – 6
Thursdays starting 27th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BasketballLearn Play Grow	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Years 1 – 6Years 1 – 2

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Fridays starting 28th September	• Dodgeball	• Years 1 – 6
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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.

Sun 24 th Jun – Sat 8 th Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go Go Hare Trail – Ashleigh's sculpture at Cherry Leaf Coffee House, 50 St Giles St, Norwich NR2 1LW
Tues 24 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:00pm School closes for Summer Holidays 3:15pm Nursery closes for Summer Holidays
2018-19 Dates	
Thurs 6 th Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30am Nursery opens 8:45am School opens
Fri 7 th Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:10pm Year 4 Parents' Transition Meeting
Mon 10 th Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:10pm Year 2 Open Classroom 3:10pm Year 3 Parents' Transition Meeting
Tues 11 th Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:10pm Year 5 Parents' Transition Meeting
Wed 12 th Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:10pm Year 2 Open Classroom
Thurs 13 th Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:30pm Year 2 Parents' Transition Meeting
Fri 14 th Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:10pm Year 2 Open Classroom
Mon 24 th - Wed 26 th Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 Residential Trip
Tues 2 nd Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 Open Evening at Wymondham High Academy
Fri 5 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:05am Hazel Class Assembly
Mon 8 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Photographs (Individual & Sibling)
Wed 10 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 3 to Gressenhall (letter to follow autumn term)
Wed 17 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:00pm School closes for Half Term 3:15pm Nursery closes for Half term
Mon 29 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30am Nursery opens 8:45am School opens
Fri 9 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:05am Birch Class Assembly
Tues 18 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:00pm School closes for Christmas Holidays 3:15pm Nursery closes for Christmas Holidays
Thurs 3 rd Jan 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30am Nursery opens 8:45am School opens
Fri 15 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:00-3:30pm Year 3 Open Classrooms 3:00pm School closes for Half Term 3:15pm Nursery closes for Half term
Mon 25 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30am Nursery opens 8:45am School opens
Fri 5 th Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:00pm School closes for Easter Holidays 3:15pm Nursery closes for Easter Holidays
Tues 23 rd Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30am Nursery opens 8:45am School opens
Mon 6 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank Holiday – School & Nursery closed
Fri 24 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:00pm School closes for Half Term 3:15pm Nursery closes for Half term
Mon 3 rd Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30am Nursery opens 8:45am School opens
Wed 24 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:00pm School closes for Summer Holidays 3:15pm Nursery closes for Summer Holidays

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Music Lessons

Monday Violin Lessons for participating KS2 children

Wednesday Brass, Guitar & Woodwind lessons for participating KS2 children
(Music teachers will be notified of relevant school trips).

2019-2020 Term Dates

<i>Monday 2nd September 2019</i>	<i>INSET Day</i>
<i>Tuesday 3rd September</i>	<i>INSET Day</i>
<i>Wednesday 4th September</i>	<i>8:45am School opens</i>
<i>Friday 18th October</i>	<i>3:00pm School closes for half term</i>
<i>Monday 28th October</i>	<i>8:45am School opens</i>
<i>Wednesday 18th December</i>	<i>3:00pm School closes for Christmas holidays</i>
<i>Friday 3rd January 2020</i>	<i>INSET Day</i>
<i>Monday 6th January</i>	<i>8:45am School opens</i>
<i>Friday 14th February</i>	<i>3:00pm School closes for half term</i>
<i>Monday 24th February</i>	<i>8:45am School opens</i>
<i>Wednesday 1st April</i>	<i>3:00pm School closes for Easter holidays</i>
<i>Thursday 2nd April</i>	<i>INSET Day</i>
<i>Tuesday 20th April</i>	<i>8:45am School opens</i>
<i>Monday 4th May</i>	<i>Bank Holiday</i>
<i>Friday 22nd May</i>	<i>3:00pm School closes for half term</i>
<i>Monday 1st June</i>	<i>8:45am School opens</i>
<i>Tuesday 21st July 2020</i>	<i>3:00pm School closes for summer holidays</i>

Local Community Events

Go Go Hares 2018

The Go Go Hare trail will be running from **24th June to 8th September** and we have been told that Ashleigh's leveret sculpture will be on display at **Cherry Leaf Coffee House, 50 St Giles St, Norwich NR2 1LW**

PATHS Sessions for Carers of Looked After Children

PATHS sessions are available for carers of Looked After Children, 10:00am-12:30pm on Friday 28th September 2018 at Swaffham or Tuesday 12th March 2019 at Norwich. Carers can sign up using the NCC Learning Hub link: [Using PATHS to Develop your Child's Social and Emotional Skills](#)

Wymondham Abbey Junk Challenge

- On Tuesday July 31st, Tuesday August 7th, Tuesday August 14th & Tuesday August 21st Wymondham Abbey invites all children (with their parents or guardians) to come to the Abbey between 10 am and 12 noon for a drop in session including a story-time, craft activity, refreshments and the collection of our Junk Challenge toolkit!
- Toolkits cost £2 and give you instructions and materials on how to enter the Junk Challenge, which will be judged at this year's Veggie Fest (September 8th)
- No need to book, just come along with the kids and enjoy!
- Prizes for best KS1 and KS2 entry and a special Judges' Choice award.

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Junior Parkrun - Eaton Park

Junior Parkrun is a series of 2k events for children aged between 4 and 14. They are held in areas of open space around the UK and our nearest event is held at Eaton Park, Norwich every Sunday morning at 9am (race briefing by the bandstand at 8:45). They are open to all, free, and are safe and easy to take part in. More importantly they are brilliant fun!

- All runners can register for free at: <https://www.parkrun.org.uk/register/form/> where they should print out their individual barcode which can be scanned at the finish and used to record finish times and personal bests.



We have children with severe nut allergies in school;
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.