



Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

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2021

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Message from Mr. McConnell

- Firstly, a massive thank you to everyone who came to see our Open Studio last weekend. It was fantastic to be able to share the stunning art work the children have produced over the last year with the whole community.
- Also, it's been a joy to have proper assemblies back for the last two weeks even if we are just doing two year groups at a time.
- This week we have been talking about 'All different, All equal, All learning.' because it's really important to me that the children know that, at Ashleigh, we really appreciate how unique and special they all are. What I really love about Ashleigh is that it's a brilliant place to learn but it's also a place where everyone is welcome and confident to be themselves. After a lot of hard work, it feels like we're settling into our new routines now and we're ready for a magical Autumn.

Have a lovely weekend and see you next week!

Lunchtime Vacancy

Midday Supervisory Assistant

Salary – £9.25 per hour

Monday – Friday: 1 hour 20 minutes per day; term time only.

- Closing date: *Midday on Monday 18th October*
- Interview date: TBC

Application forms are available from the office or

<http://www.ashleighprimary.com/category/news/vacancies/>

Book Taster Sessions - 11th-15th October

All book taster sessions are being held at Ashleigh, from 3-4pm, in the Key Stage 2 library (accessible from the playground).

Monday 11 th :	Nursery & Reception
Tuesday 12 th :	Year 1
Wednesday 13 th :	Year 2
Thursday 14 th :	Years 3 and 4
Friday 15 th :	Years 5 and 6

Year 6 - Trees

- Greening Wymondham have presented each Year 6 child with a tree from the Woodland Trust to plant at home. (If your child was absent today we have kept a tree for them when they return to school).
- Year 6 children will be bringing their tree home today, with an information sheet about the Greening Wymondham project, and planting instructions.
- We hope the children enjoy seeing them grow!

School Photos - Tuesday 12th October

- School photos will be taking place on Tuesday 12th October. If Tuesday is a PE day for your child, please send them with an Ashleigh top/jumper, if you would like them to be wearing it for the photograph.
- If your child is in **Nursery** but do not normally attend on a Tuesday morning, you are welcome to bring them to have a photograph taken.
 - A member of staff will take them across to the main school for photographs and bring them back to you if you wait by the gate (this could take about 40 minutes).
 - Please email nursery@ashleighprimary.net to let us know if you are bringing your child in so that we can manage numbers.

Evening News - Reception First Class Supplement - Tuesday 19th October

- Squirrel and Reception class photos will be published in the Evening News First Class Supplement, on Tuesday 19th October.
- Only children with the relevant photograph permission are included.

Half Term Free School Meal Vouchers

The government are offering free school meal vouchers to eligible families for October half term. If you think you may be eligible you can check and apply at <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-meals-and-milk>

Wellbeing Resources

A new evidence-based resource has been released from the Maudsley Charity & NHS England. Recognising the pressure points parents can be under, they have responded by creating simple tips and tricks which are proven to help families who are finding things tricky. These focus on helping with difficult behaviour and negative emotions.

<https://maudsleycharity.org/familiesunderpressure/>

Ashleigh Teacher Book Recommendation

Book title: Itch

Author: Simon Mayo

Mr Saunders recommends this book to: children aged 9-11

Last year during lockdown, I started to read lots and lots more, which is something I've been wanting to do for a long time. It was one of the positives to come out of the pandemic and I've continued to make sure I read every day since—I'm loving it.

I managed to revisit a fantastic book this summer that I had read some years ago when I was training to be a teacher; it's called Itch and it's an incredibly exciting and adventurous book about a boy (named Itch) who discovers a new chemical element. He's obsessed with Science, but unfortunately, there are others who are equally as obsessed and want to take the element from him...

It's the first of three books in the series and the stories have Itch travel all around the world discovering lots about Science on the way. I think you'd all love this book; it can get a little intense at points so it's probably best for the Year 5s and 6s to read.



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Diary Dates

New or updated events

2021-2022 Dates

Autumn Term

Mon 11 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3-4pm Nursery & Reception Book Taster Sessions – Kett's Books
Tues 12 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Photos 3-4pm Year 1 Book Taster Sessions – Kett's Books
Wed 13 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3-4pm Year 2 Book Taster Sessions – Kett's Books 3:30pm Year 5 Football Team v Colman Junior School
Thurs 14 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3-4pm Years 3 & 4 Book Taster Sessions – Kett's Books 3:30pm Year 6 Football Team v Avenue Junior School
Fri 15 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3-4pm Years 5 & 6 Book Taster Sessions – Kett's Books
Tues 19 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evening News First Class Supplement – Reception class photos
Wed 20 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline for Book Club Bingo Challenge entry forms
Fri 22 nd Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:00/3:15pm School/Nursery close for Half Term
Mon 1 st Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30am/8:40am Nursery/School reopen
Wed 3 rd Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 4 Swimming – Class to be confirmed
Wed 10 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 4 Swimming – Class to be confirmed
Tues 16 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flu Nasal Spray Vaccinations
Wed 17 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 4 Swimming – Class to be confirmed
Wed 24 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 4 Swimming – Class to be confirmed

Wed 1 st Dec	• Year 4 Swimming – Class to be confirmed
Wed 8 th Dec	• Year 4 Swimming – Class to be confirmed
Fri 17 th Dec	• 3:00/3:15pm School/Nursery close for Christmas Holiday
Spring Term	
Wed 5 th Jan	• Staff INSET Day
Thurs 6 th Jan	• 8:30am/8:40am Nursery/School reopen
Fri 11 th Feb	• 3:00/3:15pm School/Nursery close for Half Term
Mon 21 st Feb	• 8:30am/8:40am Nursery/School reopen
Fri 1 st Apr	• 3:00/3:15pm School/Nursery close for Half Term
Summer Term	
Tues 19 th Apr	• Staff INSET Day
Wed 20 th Apr	• 8:30am/8:40am Nursery/School reopen
Mon 2 nd May	• Bank Holiday
Fri 27 th May	• 3:00/3:15pm School/Nursery close for Half Term
Mon 6 th Jun	• 8:30am/8:40am Nursery/School reopen
Fri 22 nd Jul	• 3:00/3:15pm School/Nursery close for Summer Holiday

Previous Newsletters

If you would like information from any of our previous newsletters, please contact the office who will be able to help you.
