



# Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

17<sup>th</sup> June 2022

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## Message from Mr. McConnell

### Class Mixing for September

Every year we'll mix up some of the classes to make sure every class is a perfect, balanced blend. I hope that by doing this, not only can we keep our classes balanced but we can also give every child the opportunity to add new friends to their life. Ashleigh is absolutely full to the rafters with wonderful children and I want the children to leave with as many friends as they can.

We are going to mix the following year groups for September:

- Current Reception into Year 1;
- Current Year 1 into Year 2;
- Current Year 5 into Year 6.

This afternoon we have asked the Year 5 children for the names of three friends they would like to be in class with next year. We won't be able to guarantee that any of the children will be with all of their chosen friends but they will have at least one friend, and we will of course support every child to build new friendships over the course of the year.

This is the kind of decision which we think really carefully about, and we will look at the children's choices as well as using what we know about the children to make these new classes happy places to be in Year 6.

For our current Reception and Year 1 children, we are asking parents to talk to their children over the weekend about this change, to ask their children for the names of three friends, and to let the class teacher know those three names via [this link](#) by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Again, we won't be able to guarantee that any of the children will be with all of their chosen friends but they will have at least one friend, and again we will of course support every child to build new friendships over the course of the year.

I know we can rely on you to support the children through this change which, for some, will be a challenge, and, for some, will be hugely exciting. No matter how your child feels about this change, I can absolutely assure all of you as parents that we will look after the children through the entire process so that in September they feel safe, settled and ready to learn.

This week's Golden Ticket winners are:

Charlie – Hedgehog; Amelie – Squirrel; Adam & Cayson – Bat; Gus, Poppy & Rose – Deer; Theo – Maple; Aiden, Imogen & Paige – Mulberry; Izzy – Willow; Eli – Ash; Oscar – Sycamore.

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## Trim Trail Reopening

We're delighted that the trim trail is reopening at breaks and lunches, but please **do not** allow children to play on it before or after school when Ashleigh staff can't supervise. Thank you.

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## Sports Day Arrangements - Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

Please can children come wearing their PE kit with appropriate footwear. Water bottles and sunscreen will hopefully be needed but please dress for weather conditions on the day!

### **Timings**

8:45am	Children arrive and register in classrooms as normal.
9:15-11:45am	<b>Years 3, 4, 5 and 6</b> Sports Morning
11:45am-12:45pm	Family Picnic, whole school
12:45pm	<u>All children</u> go back into class to register as normal
1:00pm	<b>Reception, Years 1 and 2</b> Sports Afternoon
2:45pm	Reception, Years 1 and 2 will return to classrooms to collect belongings etc.
3:00pm	Children leave school as normal.

Access to the school outside of normal drop off and collection times **will only be via Lime Tree Avenue**. Gates will be open at:

- 8:30-9:05am,
- 11:30-11:45am,
- 12:45-13:00pm

We will confirm by lunchtime on Tuesday 21st June whether Sports Day will be going ahead (our reserve date in case of bad weather is Wednesday 29th June).

Children will be completing in house teams, if they have a t-shirt in their house colour these would be:

Orion	Red
Hydra	Green
Pegasus	Blue
Hercules	White

Just a reminder that the kitchen are only providing school packed lunches on Sports Day so please order as normal, or send your child with a home packed lunch.

We're really looking forward to families joining us again for lunch, (please don't pack any nut products at all) and we hope you have an amazing time!

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## Ashleigh Friends

We are so pleased that today is the first of our Frozen Fridays. We will be selling ice lollies for £1 each in the playground after school every Friday, with 15<sup>th</sup> July being the last one. Money raised will go towards the Year 6 leavers' party, and we're really grateful that each week some of the Year 6 students will be helping us. Don't forget to bring your pound coins!

Letters will soon be going home about the school discos on Friday 8 July. Please return these as soon as possible.

Thanks to everyone who has donated school uniform into our new wheelie bin for our preloved uniform sales - it's located next to lost property on the playground. If you're having a summer wardrobe sort-out, then please consider donating any uniform to us!

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## Year 6 Leavers' Performances - Dates for Diaries

Year 6 leavers' performances are planned for:

- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 1:30pm,
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 9:30am and 6:30pm.

More information about tickets etc. will follow this month.

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## Sports Equipment for Schools

We are taking part in Archant's Sports Equipment for Schools campaign, please support us if you can by collecting the vouchers and sending them into school!

- Tokens will be daily in the Eastern Daily Press (two on Saturday), Norwich Evening News (two on Saturday) and weekly in the North Norfolk News, Dereham Times, Fakenham Times, Beccles & Bungay Journal, Lowestoft Journal and Great Yarmouth Mercury.
  - **Final token Saturday 16th July.**
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## School Vacancies

- We currently have the following vacancies at Ashleigh:

### **Midday Supervisory Assistants.**

- Salary – £9.50 per hour
  - Monday – Friday: 1 hour twenty minutes per day (11:55am-1:15pm)
  - Term time only.
  - Job details and an application form can be found at <http://www.ashleighprimary.com/category/news/vacancies/> or please contact the school office.
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## After School Clubs

Please remember to let the office know if your child will not be attending an after-school club for any reason.

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## Diary Dates

New or updated events

<b>2021-2022 Dates</b>	
<b>Summer Term</b>	
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sports Day</li><li>• <b>After-School Tennis Club is not running today</b></li></ul>
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 9:30-11:30am Wymondham Cluster LINKS Meeting at the Bungalow, Robert Kett Primary School</li><li>• <b>Elm</b> visit to the River Tiffey</li><li>• <b>3pm Frozen Friday – Ashleigh Friends selling ice lollies</b></li></ul>
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sports Day – Reserve</li></ul>
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Year 4</b> to Royal Norfolk Show</li></ul>
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>3pm Frozen Friday – Ashleigh Friends selling ice lollies</b></li></ul>
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Maple</b> visit to the River Tiffey</li></ul>
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Reception to Year 5</b> PTA Discos – Details to follow</li><li>• <b>3pm Frozen Friday – Ashleigh Friends selling ice lollies</b></li></ul>
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Year 3</b> to Natural History Museum</li><li>• <b>Last session of after-school club Bootcamp</b></li></ul>
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>p.m. Year 6</b> Transition Workshop</li><li>• <b>Last session of after-school clubs Football</b></li></ul>

Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2pm <b>Nursery</b> event "The Nosy Little Troll"</li> <li>• Last session of after-school clubs <b>Tennis &amp; Street Dance</b></li> </ul>
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last session of after-school clubs <b>Karate &amp; Ukelele</b></li> </ul>
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6</b> Leavers Party – Details to follow</li> <li>• 3pm <b>Frozen Friday</b> – Ashleigh Friends selling ice lollies</li> <li>• Last session of after-school clubs <b>Bouncercise &amp; Dodge Ball</b></li> </ul>
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last session of after-school club <b>Musical Theatre</b></li> </ul>
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:30-11:30am Wymondham Cluster LINKS Meeting at the Bungalow, Robert Kett Primary School</li> <li>• 3:00/3:15pm School/Nursery close for Summer Holiday</li> </ul>
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flu Immunisation Reception to Year 6</li> </ul>

### **Next Academic Year – September 2022-July 2023**

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2022	Staff INSET Day
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Staff INSET Day
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Staff INSET Day
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	School reopens for Autumn Term
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	School closes for October half term
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	School reopens after half term
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for Christmas holidays
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	School reopens for Spring Term
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes for February half term
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	School reopens after half term
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	School closes for Easter holidays
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Staff INSET Day
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	School reopens for Summer Term
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	School closed for Bank Holiday
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	School closes for half term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	School reopens after half term
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	School closes for Summer holidays
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Staff INSET Day

## **Previous Newsletters**

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