



Ashford Hill Primary School Newsletter



November 10th 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Ashford Hill has been a hive of learning this week and our learning journeys are well underway. We have also hosted our first rugby match this year and it was great to see so many parents and teachers attend to cheer us on! A big thank you to Mr Walker who is arranging all of our fixtures for the year ahead.

Book Fair - 8, 9 & 10 November

What a fantastic week for reading it has been. It has been wonderful to see so many families coming in to look at books and the children have loved looking through titles and deciding what they have wanted to buy and read at home. Thank you to Miss Hudson for arranging this event. Due to its success, we will do the same next year.

Pantomime

Payments are now live on the Teachers2Parents app to pay for your childrens' pantomime tickets. If you have any problems with payments, please contact the school office. If you'd like to help out on the day and join us to watch the pantomime, please let us know- the more the merrier! The trip is on Tuesday 28th November.

Communications via Teachers2Parents

We're aware that some parents have not been receiving text messages sent from our Teachers2Parents communications system. If you have the Teachers2Parents App installed on your phone, the system will send your message via a notification on the app. If you do not have the app installed, it will send you a text message. Therefore, if you have the T2P app installed on your phone, please ensure notifications are turned on, otherwise you may miss out on important live updates from school.

Medical Appointment in School Hours

Please could we ask that if you do need to take your child to a medical appointment during school hours, you provide us with proof of the appointment- be it a letter, email or text message from the healthcare provider. Medical appointments, especially routine medical appointments should always be made outside of school hours where possible.

Anti-bullying Week and Odd Socks Day – Monday 13 November – Friday 17 November

Children will be taking part in a variety of activities to mark anti bullying week, next week. It will start with Odd Socks Day, where children and adults are invited to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. I am looking forward to seeing you all in odd socks – this is quite a regular occasion in my household!



Children in Need – 17 November

Next week brings Children in need – we will be marking the occasion with a non-school uniform day. The theme is SPOTACULAR and children are invited to wear spots of they would like to. But non- school uniform is also fine. Please bring a small donation on the day and we will send all donations to Children in Need.

Residential Trips – Y4 and Y5/6

Next week we will be sending out information and payment details for our trips to Minstead and PGL. Please keep an eye out on your email. Please note that the Y5/6 trip has moved to early June and the dates will be confirmed next week.

Open Days for Year R 2024:

We welcomed new families in this week to our open days and they could see just what makes our school special. We have one more open morning, so please do share this with anyone that may be a school starter for next September.

Monday 27th November – 9.30am

Ashford Hill Primary School Year R September 2024 Open Days and Tours

Monday 9th October at 1.45pm - Wednesday 8th November at 9.30am - Monday 27th November 9.30am

We warmly invite you to visit our school and look inside and to meet our team and wonderful children.

Please contact the school office on 0118 981 3822 or email admin@ashfordhill.hants.sch.uk to book a place on the tour. Individual tours also available by request.

Y5/6 Residential Trip - (date change to follow)

Date	Event	Location	Years
Thu 19 th Oct	Multiskills	Park House	1/2
Wed 22 nd Nov	Alternative Olympics	Theale	5/6
Thu 14 th Dec	BISI Badminton	Theale	3/4
Wed 7 th Feb	Speed Stacking	Theale	1/2
Tue 27 th Feb	Hockey Festival	Park House	5/6
Thu 7 th Mar	Tag Rugby Megafest	Newbury RFC	3/4
Wed 13 th Mar	KSI Cricket	Willows	1/2
Tue 12 th Mar	X Country	Newbury Showground	3/4/5/6
Tue 23 rd Apr	Kwik Cricket Dynamos Skills	Doui Abbey	3/4
Thu 9 th May	Tri Golf	St Barts	3/4
Tue 14 th May	Kwik Cricket	Falkland	5/6 Girls
Tue 4 th June	Kwik Cricket	Doui Abbey	5/6 Boys
Tue 18 th June	Table Tennis	Willink	5/6
Tue 2 nd July	Dodgeball	St Barts	KS2 Girls
Tue 9 th Jul	Multiskills	Theale	1/2

Safeguarding:

Safeguarding is our number one priority. Together we want to ensure that all children are safe, happy and secure at all times.

This year our Designated Safeguarding Lead Team are as follows:



Mrs K. Kingham
Principal

Miss C. Hudson
Vice Principal

Mr B. Dixon
UKS2 Teacher

Designated Safeguarding Lead

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Please do have a lovely weekend and Miss Hudson and I look forward to seeing you at the gate bright and early on Monday morning.

Kirsty Kingham

Principal

Dates for your diary

17th November - Children in Need

24th November: Non-school uniform day for hamper donations (PTA)

28th November - Corn Exchange Panto

TEACHER LED CLUBS END: 1st December

7th December 2023 – Christmas Jumper Day

Nativity and Carol Concert – Whole school – Families invited. Tuesday 12th afternoon and Wednesday 13th Morning.

14th December – Curriculum Showcase – 2.45pm

Y4 – Minstead Residential Trip – 7th – 9th February 2024

Y3 – River trip to Minstead 8th February 2024

Y2-6 – Frozen West End Trip – Wednesday 13th March 2024

Sports Day – Friday 21st June 2024

SATS week - 13th – 17th May 2024