



Integrity – Determination - Community

Ashford Hill Primary School Newsletter

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'Be the Best We Can Be'

April 19th 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to see everyone back in school. On Monday there was 100% attendance and it was wonderful to see a sea of blue in assembly. The children were excited to share all of their holiday adventures with us and are already well into their learning for this term – two of our year R children were excited to show their Giant (Jack and the Beanstalk) collages and requested that they feature in the newsletter this week as they had worked so hard on them. Well done boys for making your work the 'best that it could be'.



The end of last term saw a curriculum celebration and the sharing of high quality work from the children. It is always a joy to see children sharing their work with parents and others. The Easter Egg Hunt was a huge hit so thank you to our wonderful PTA for arranging this; it was such a shame about the weather – but in Ashford Hill style... the show must go on and the eggs just had to be consumed.

Already this week our school Rugby team have been out and about to complete in an interschool event. Tuesday 30th April the netball team are going off to represent the school in a tournament. Thank you to Mr. Walker for arranging these events.

This week saw the return of the golden badge awards for members of our school community who live every day by showing our school values of integrity, determination and community. This week the badges went to Caitlin in Year 6 for always showing integrity in everything that she does. She works so hard to constantly try her best and always thinks about the school community as a whole. Well done Caitlin!

Mrs Lang is also now a proud owner of a golden badge. Mrs Lang is a wonderful team player and works so hard to ensure that she and our children strive to be the very best that they can be. Her hockey team also won the league and she was awarded as the best team player. She has a real skill of bringing the best out of people! Thank you Mrs Lang, we hope that you wear your badge with Pride.

I have added some key dates to the end of the newsletter, including inset days. Please pop these in your diary. There will be many more to add as we make our way through the busiest term.

I really hope that the sun will show itself this weekend and that you have a wonderful couple of days.

I look forward to seeing you bright and early Monday morning.

Kirsty Kingham
Principal

Attendance

Attendance % (whole school target 97%)							
Whole School	YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
99	97.9	99.2	100	99.3	98.8	97.9	100

Well done 2 and Y6 children for being in every day. Amazing attendance this week!! Well done to everyone.

Teacher Contact

If you would like to contact a teacher regarding your child, please can you send your email to directly to admin@ashfordhill.hants.sch.uk rather than to teacher emails - teachers are extremely busy planning and preparing for lessons and the admin will filter messages to ensure balance of workload for our teachers.

Uniform

Summer uniform can now be worn. Please ensure that children have hair tied up and long fringes held back to ensure that they can see their work. Trainers should not be worn if it is a non-PE day and jumpers/cardigans will still be required in school. It has been lovely to see the return of summer dresses this week.

School Lunches

Please note that our current catering company HC3S will be changing their name to Education Catering. Please find below a link with next term menu selection.

<https://documents.hants.gov.uk/HC3S/A4-picturemenus-April2024.pdf>

Water, Hats and Suncream




As the weather starts to warm up, please ensure that children are bringing pre filled water bottles to school. They are able to fill water bottles throughout the day. Please apply sun cream before children come to school and sensible hats are a great idea for break and lunchtimes as we would like children to start exploring the field this term.

Frozen Tickets

Tickets for our school show are now on sale. It will be £15 per ticket. Please contact the Haymarket Theatre Box Office on [01256 844244](tel:01256844244) and quote the reference code **ASHPAR24**. The sales of the tickets go towards the cost of the production and it is magical for the children to play to a full audience. So please bring along friends and family to see the wonderful show that our children will put on for you. After the success of last year, I expect that we are quite likely to sell tickets quickly, please ensure that you book soon to avoid disappointment. There is no restriction on number of tickets per family.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is our number one priority. Together we want to ensure that all children are safe, happy and secure at all times. Please see the leaflet attached this week regarding safety and you tube.

		
Mrs Kirsty Kingham	Miss C Hudson	Mr B Dixon
Principal and Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)	Vice Principal and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL)	Class Teacher and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL)

Dates for your diary

Sports Day – Friday 21st June 2024

SATS week - 13th – 17th May 2024

Y5/6 Residential Trip - 3rd – 7th June 2024

Year R Trip - June – Date to be Confirmed

Frozen Show – Thursday 11th July

Curriculum Showcase – 2.45pm Tues 16th July

Volunteer Tea – 1.30pm Friday 19th July

Year 6 Leavers Assembly – 2.30pm – Friday 19th July

Water fight KS2 – After school Friday 19th July

Inset Days 2023- 2024 – 22nd July and 23rd July

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Term 1	
<i>Inset Days (school closed to all pupils)</i>	Monday 02/09/24 and Tuesday 3/9/24
Term Starts	Wednesday 04/09/24
Term ends on	Wednesday 23/10/24
<i>October holiday</i>	Thursday 24/10/24 – Friday 1/11/24
<i>Inset Days</i>	Thursday 24/10/24 and Friday 25/10/24
Term 2	
Term starts	Monday 4/11/2024
Term ends on	Friday 20/12/24
<i>Christmas holiday:</i>	Monday 23/12/24 – Friday 03/01/2025
Term 3	
Term starts	Monday 06/01/25
Term ends on	Friday 14/02/25
<i>February holiday:</i>	Monday 17/02/25 – Friday 21/02/25
Term 4	
Term starts	Monday 24/02/25
Term ends on	Friday 4/4/25
<i>Easter holiday:</i>	Monday 7/04/2025 – Monday 21/04/25
Term 5	
Term starts	Tuesday 22/5/25
Term ends on	Friday 23/5/25
<i>May holiday</i>	Monday 26/05/25 – Friday 30/05/25
Term 6	
Term starts	Monday 02/06/25
Term ends on	Friday 18/07/2025
<i>Inset Days</i>	Monday 21/07/2025 and Tuesday 22/07/2025