



# Ashford Hill Primary School Newsletter

March 21st 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

March is just flying by and there are only a few weeks of the term left. This week has been yet another busy one.

Parents' evenings have gone really well and it is always lovely for teachers to discuss your child's achievements with you. If you did not manage to meet with your teacher this week then please do contact the school office and they can arrange an appointment for you. This is the ideal time to understand your child's progress and find out about their learning. On the last day of term, you are invited in for your child to share their hard work with you and I know they are looking forward to showing you all the things they are proud of! This will be followed by the Egg Hunt; please make sure that you have booked your tickets.

Today brought Red Nose Day!! The children and staff were challenged to wear something silly and oh did they do this justice. It was an absolute joy to see them around school enjoying and sharing their costumes with each other. Special mention must go to our year 6s and their dedication to the event! We had a class of very hard-working minions. The bake sale was a huge success and there are also cakes on sale after school today. Well, done to everyone for such fabulous costumes! A very funny day! We will update you with the total amount raised next week!





Due to circumstances out of our control this week, I was unable to take our World Book Day winners on their visit to the book shop. This will now be taking place next Thursday afternoon.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend and hope that the sun stays shining upon us all; we will see you on the gate on Monday morning.

Kirsty Kingham  
Principal

### Attendance

Attendance % (whole school target 97%)							
Whole School	YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
97.7	97.5	100	100	97.2	95	100	92.7
Well done Y1, Y2 and Y5 on 100% attendance this week							

### Safeguarding - Online Awareness – Adolescence on Netflix

This week, my family and I watched the new Netflix series Adolescence. Our children are 15, 16, 17 and 18 and I am extremely pleased that we watched this together as the message was one of huge importance for all of us in different ways. I would not suggest that children under 15 watch this series however, the impact that it has had on us as parents (and as an educator) has been profound. It really has made me question what our roles in this as parents and as members of a community are. It is not an easy watch, but I believe an important one. It is an excellent series with some incredible acting.

"Adolescence," a four-part British crime drama on Netflix, follows the arrest of 13-year-old Jamie Miller for the murder of a classmate, exploring the impact on his family and the investigation into the crime, with each episode filmed in a single take.

Here's a more detailed synopsis:

- **Premise:**

The series opens with police arresting Jamie Miller, a 13-year-old boy, on suspicion of murdering his classmate, Katie Leonard, in a northern English town.



- **Investigation:**

The police investigate Jamie's school, and a forensic psychologist question him, revealing that Jamie has been deeply disturbed by school bullying and incel subculture online.

- **Family Impact:**

The drama explores the emotional turmoil faced by Jamie's family as they navigate the aftermath of the allegations.

- **Themes:**

The series delves into themes of toxic online spaces, the dangers of social media, and society's expectations of masculinity.

- **Filming Style:**

Each episode is filmed in a single, continuous shot, immersing viewers in the intense search for answers about what really happened to Katie.

- **Cast:**

The series stars Stephen Graham as Jamie's father, Eddie Miller, and Owen Cooper as Jamie Miller.

- **Other Cast Members:**

Ashley Walters plays Detective Inspector Luke Bascombe, with Erin Doherty as Briony Ariston, the clinical psychologist assigned to Jamie's case.

- **Inspiration:**

The series is inspired by real-life reports of young boys involved in knife crimes, but it is not based on a single incident.

Fundamentally, the writers have spoken about how a village raises a child and that so many of us have a responsibility to ensure our young people are safe and educated about just how dangerous online content can be. Supervision of devices and the content that our children have access to is also a big thinking point after the series.

### **Moment to Share and Egg Hunt Event – 4<sup>th</sup> April from 2.45pm**

On a lighter note, there will be the termly curriculum showcase/moment to share at 2.45pm on the last day of term. This will be followed by the famous PTA Egg Hunt. There will be more information on how to buy tickets nearer the time.

### **PE – Jason Ewell**

We have Jason Ewell in school on Tuesday helping develop the teaching and learning in PE, so all classes will have PE on Tuesday this week. KS1 please wear normal school uniform on Monday and PE kit on Tuesday instead. The other PE days will remain as Thursday and Friday as normal. Thank you!

## Changes to our menu W/C 24<sup>th</sup> March

Our menu will be changing for week 3 commencing the 24<sup>th</sup> March

We will be offering the following: -

### **Wednesday Week 3**

**Vegetable Burrito or  
Cheese & Tomato Pizza**




### **Friday Week 3**

**Veg Burger & Chips or  
Fish & Chips**

## **Safeguarding:**

Safeguarding is our number one priority. Together we want to ensure that all children are safe, happy and secure at all times. If you have any concerns about another child or your own, please do not hesitate to contact one of our Safeguarding Leads.

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are as follows:

		
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**

4<sup>th</sup> April – Moment to Share and PTA Egg Hunt

20<sup>th</sup> June- Sports' Day

Summer Fayre and Car Show – 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025

3<sup>rd</sup> July – Performance at the Haymarket Theatre (year 2-6)



**There will be a Church Service at St Paul's Church on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March to Celebrate Mother's Day.**

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### Message from GOL Elite Coaching:

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To register your child for one of our after school football clubs, please follow the link below and complete the form.

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