



ASHTREE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY



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Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome to this week's newsletter. It was lovely to see so many parents at the 'Stay and Play' in Reception on Thursday our theme was 'Nutrition and Keeping your Family Well'.



Schools' Parliament



On Monday the Stevenage Schools' Parliament met again in the council chambers. The meeting was attended by our two Schools' Parliament representatives Akosua B. and Ted D. from Year 6. They met with the Mayor, Stevenage councillors and children from other local primary and secondary schools. Issues for discussion were the 'Keep Stevenage Tidy Campaign' and the upkeep and refurbishment of the play areas in Stevenage. The Parliament also judged the Litter Superhero Poster Competition. Each school had sent two winners for a final. The winners from Ashtree were Phoebe C. from Class 13 and Lucian D. from Class 8. The overall winner chosen by the Parliament was by a pupil from St. Nicholas School. The winning poster will hopefully be appearing on litter bins around Stevenage.



Science Ambassadors



My thanks to Mrs Cox who has organised a new group of pupils for us called the Science Ambassadors. Pupils in KS2 were invited to apply for this post which involves :

1. Promoting Science amongst their peers.
2. Providing a pupil voice for the science learning that is taking place in the classes.
3. Sharing their learning in assembly.
4. Supporting Science Week.
5. Nominating peers for Science Awards.

I am pleased to say that the following children have been appointed:

Y3 – Armadouwoury B and Thomas B.

Y4 – Katie-Anne G. and Melissa G.

Y5 – Freddie D and Eloise F.

Y6 – Ayla S. and Leighton L.



Level 3 Cycle Training – Y6



We have secured an opportunity to train children who already have their Level 2 certificate, up to Level 3 standard. The course will run from Monday 27 March to Wednesday 29 March. This is a 14 place course and my records from last year show 20 pupils are eligible. I am sending home a direct invitation to those 20 pupils today, and again it will be the first 14 responses received by the office that will secure a place, with a waiting list then being drawn up.

Sporting Achievements



Football



Well done to the boys' football team who played away on Tuesday against Camps Hill. The boys' played well in difficult conditions. The lead changed hands several times with Ashtree securing a fully deserved 4-3 victory in the last 5 minutes of play. Player of the match goes to Josh H for his defensive positioning and composure on the ball.



Class Photographs



I would like to remind you that the class photos will be taking place on Thursday 9 February. I am sure that the children will look as smart as they normally do on this occasion.

Curriculum Information

The new Spring Term Curriculum Information has come out with this newsletter as a separate document.

Chertsey Rise Road Works on Monday

We have just been informed today that mains water supply works on Chertsey Rise will be taking place on Monday which could cause some traffic disruption. More information will be sent through Schoolcomms.

Finally, just to remind you that half-term is from Monday 13 February to Friday 17 February. Pupils start back at school on Tuesday 21 February as Monday 20 February is an Inset day and is closed to pupils.



Attendance Cup

The winner for this week is Class 8 with 98%



Dinnertime Behaviour Awards

The winners for this week are 6 & 14 Class



Effort Cup

Congratulations to Corey M. from Year 5

E. Kirwan