



ASHTREE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY



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NEWSLETTER 30

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

Opportunities for children to join Ashtree Primary School from September

We **currently** have the following spaces in our year groups for September 2017 - please let friends and family know.

Yr 6 – 2	Yr 5 – 2	Yr 4 – 1	Yr 3 – 0
Yr 2 – 0	Yr 1 – 0	Reception – 7	Nursery – 15

If anyone is interested please let us know as soon as possible in order to secure your place – visits to the school are welcome.



Guide Dog Society Report from Gemma W – Yr 6

On Monday we had Ms Clarke from the Guide Dog Society and Marston the guide dog come to visit us. We learnt lots of new things, including asking the owner first before stroking a guide dog. Ashtree would like to say a massive thank you for coming to visit us. We all really enjoyed the visit.

Y5 Parents Kingswood Meeting for 2018

Parents of pupils currently in Y5 are invited to our 2018 Kingswood trip meeting which will be held at **5.30pm** on **Wednesday 28 June** in the Junior Hall. We have provisionally booked our **2018 visit from 10 – 15 June**.



Dinner Money – Summer Term

£2.40 per day **£12.00 per week**

1st half term £67.20 2nd half term £81.60

Please note the prices have changed.

We have a number of people who continue to take dinners without payment. Please be reminded that dinners must be paid for in advance. Where a letter/text has been issued notifying that no further meals will be provided please ensure that you send your child in with a home packed lunch each day until the debt is cleared. We are no longer able to build up any dinner money debt due to Government changes. Any debt is taken out of the school budget, which has a detrimental effect on the education of our pupils. Please do not put us in the position of not paying for a meal but still expecting us to provide one. Please ensure all outstanding balances are cleared by the end of half-term. We will be forwarding any outstanding payments to Herts Catering Ltd who will then invoice you directly. Thank you for your understanding



Year 2 – Tower of London Trip



Please can any outstanding payments for this trip be paid before Friday 26 May. Thank you.

Y5 & 6 Sex Education

Our Y5 & 6 Sex Education Programme will take place during the week beginning 19 June. There will be a **Y5 & 6 parents meeting on Wednesday 7 June at 6pm in Class 14** with regards to this programme. Please use the Junior Playground doors when you arrive.

Renewal of Free School Meals application (for September 2017)

As with last year, this summer we will automatically renew free school meals for children who currently receive a meal at our school. This means in most cases, children that attend our school from September 2017 will continue to get a meal and parents need not contact us or re-apply.

- Parents/carers do not need to reapply for a school meal for September 2017.
- Any child receiving a free meal as well as 100% music remission will be renewed for both.
- Letters will only be sent to families whose children are no longer entitled to receive a meal
- Anyone currently receiving 50% music remission will still need to reapply at: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals from the 7 June 2017.

Sporting Achievements



Mr Yates reported: The boys' played Bedwell last Friday. The boys played their best football of the season to overturn a 2-0 half-time deficit. The school's philosophy of possession football paid dividends as Ashtree totally dominated the game. A fantastic end to a good season! The game finished Ashtree 3-2 Bedwell. Player of the match goes to Owen T. for his tireless running, determined defending and menacing runs down the wing.



Mr Allen reported: The girls played Woolenwick on Tuesday. The girls played a fantastic game, the match finished Ashtree 1-0 Woolenwick. Player of the match goes to Ivy-Rose M. for her fantastic goal and work ethic.

Dates for this Year

29 May – 2 June

Tuesday 6 June

11 – 16 June

12 - 16 June

Wednesday 14 June

Thursday 29 June

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Friday 30 June

Monday 3 July

Thursday 6 July

Friday 7 July

Thursday 13 July

Friday 14 July

Thursday 20 July

Friday 21 July (2.15pm)

HALF TERM

Y2 School Trip: Tower of London

Kingswood Residential Week (Y6)

Y1 Phonics Test Week (**No holiday will be authorised during this week**)

Y3 School Trip: St Albans Museum

September 2017 – Reception Parents Meeting - 3.30pm

September 2017 – Nursery Parents Meeting - 5.00pm

Friends of Ashtree Summer Fair 3.15pm – 5.00pm

Open Evening

End of Year Reports

INSET Day 5 (School closed to pupils)

Secondary Transfer Day

Family picnic at lunch time followed by an afternoon Sports Day

Y6 Leavers Assembly (pupils only)

End of School Year

Please note – preparation and completion of Y2 SATs work will take place during May (No holiday will be authorised during this time).

Term Dates for academic year 2017 - 2018

Dates for 2017/18

Autumn Term 2017:

Occasional Days	-	Wednesday 30 August – 31 August - school closed to children
INSET Day 1	-	Friday 1 September - school closed to children
INSET Day 2	-	Monday 4 September - school closed to children
First day of term	-	Tuesday 5 September
Half-term	-	Monday 23 October - Friday 27 October
INSET Day 3	-	Monday 30 October - school closed to children
Last day of term	-	Tuesday 19 December at 2.15pm

Spring Term 2018:

First day of term	-	Wednesday 3 January
Half-term	-	Monday 12 February - Friday 16 February
Last day of term	-	Thursday 29 March at 2.15pm

Summer Term 2018:

First day of term	-	Monday 16 April
May Day	-	Monday 7 May - school closed to children
14 – 18 May		KS2 SATS week (No holiday will be authorised during this week)
Half-term	-	Monday 28 May - Friday 1 June
11 - 15 June		Y1 Phonics Test Week (No holiday will be authorised during this week)
INSET Day 4	-	Friday 6 July – school closed to children
Last day of term	-	Friday 20 July at 2.15pm
INSET Day 5	-	Monday 23 July – school closed to children
Occasional Days	-	Tuesday 24 July – Friday 27 July - school closed to children.

Finally, EYFS and KS1 thoroughly enjoyed their percussion workshop lead by Hertfordshire Music Team. Some of our Y6 also had an excellent practise session for the upcoming Dragon Boating.

Attendance Cup

The winner for this week is Class 10 with 99%

Dinnertime Behaviour Awards

The winners for this week are Classes 4 & 9

Effort Cup

Congratulations to Eleanor B. from Year 5

E. Kirwan