

# ASHTREE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

WEBSITE: [www.ashtree.herts.sch.uk](http://www.ashtree.herts.sch.uk)

26 February 2016

## NEWSLETTER 21

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

### Dance Festival

Well done to all of the cheerleaders who represented the school on Friday 12 February at the Dance Festival held at the Stevenage Leisure Centre. The children did two outstanding performances and we are all extremely proud of them. I would like to thank Mrs Swallow, Mrs Groom, Mrs Mohiuddin and Mr Allen for supporting the children through the day and into the evening. I am pleased that so many parents were able to see their children at one of the performances.

### World Book Day – Thursday 3 March

We hope that as many children as possible will come to school next Thursday dressed as their favourite book character. I know the staff are looking forward to this opportunity too.

### Level 2 Cycle Training - week beginning Monday 7 March

Y5 & 6 pupils taking part in this training must leave their bicycles padlocked in the cycle shed first thing on Monday 7<sup>th</sup>.

### Up-coming dates

Parent consultation letters will be going out on 4 March (Parents evenings 21 and 22 March).

We will be holding our decorated egg competition on 18 March with egg rolling day being 21 March. (More information to follow!)

The children will be enjoying a production of "Alice in Wonderland" by M&M Theatre Productions on 31 March, this is being fully funded by the school.

### Considerate Parking

I have received a complaint from a parent about parent vehicles coming on to site for the morning arrival and evening departure sessions. **Unless you are in receipt of a green pass issued by the school office, your vehicles are not allowed on site. I will be personally monitoring the situation next week.**

### Stevenage Food Bank

We have received the following email from John Mead – Chair of Stevenage Community Food Bank:

"Please pass on our sincerest thanks from the trustees and volunteers to the pupils, staff and parents at your school for the donations given to the Stevenage and Knebworth Community Food Bank. We were overwhelmed by the amount donated and indeed are still trying to find sufficient space to store it all. We know how busy schools are. To devote such time and effort to an idea initiated by the pupils themselves for the benefit of those members of our community who are suffering from food poverty is very much appreciated."

### Dinner Money

There are an increasing number of people not paying their dinner money on time, resulting in the office staff having to spend a lot of time repeatedly chasing the debts. These should be paid for in advance and on a Monday, preferably.

### Sainsbury's Vouchers

Yes it's that time of year again. Don't forget to collect your vouchers and send them in to school please. This year, supermarkets will be printing all your vouchers on one small slip so please don't throw them away!!

### Ashtree School Moving Mums

Moving Mums is a perfect opportunity to make time for you in these free, informal and fun sessions, whilst getting fit and feeling great. Ashtree School Moving Mums have a Beginner Running session on Tuesday mornings at 9.15am. The session lasts for approximately half an hour and meets in the junior Playground.

### Dinnertime Behaviour Awards

The winners for this week are Rainbows and Class 14.

### Attendance Cup

The winner for this week is Class10 with 100%.

### Effort Cup

Congratulations to Denni-Louise D. from Year 5.

*E. Kirwan*