

ASHTREE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

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NEWSLETTER 4

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

Schools' Parliament

I was extremely proud of Alex C. and Elizabeth Y. from Y6, who attended the first Schools' Parliament at the local Council Chambers on Monday. The Parliament is comprised of pupils from Y6 and KS3 across Stevenage and is supported by the Mayor and the Leader of the Council. The aim of the Parliament is to give our young people a voice and to work on a project that would benefit young people in the town. Alex and Lizzie gave a good account of themselves and were not frightened to speak up – I know that Mr Tatton was also very proud of them. Some of the ideas discussed were how school kitchens could support a fresh food bank, whether a website for children, advertising childrens' events could be created and what changes and improvements need to be made in the local parks and recreation areas to make them better for young people. The Schools' Parliament will meet twice a term and a project will have been completed at the end of the year. I will ask Lizzie and Alex to report back to you on how things are going.

Record Breakers and 500 word Diary/Story Challenge.

I was very pleased to reward these children with their 'Headteacher Award' stickers so very well done to the following children:

Reception: Alice P. Elva N. Ikenna O.
Class 7: Bella O. Megan C. Harry W.
Class 9: Owen T. Jake N. Kieron A. Ella S.
Class 10: Ronnie G.
Class 13: Phoebe C.
Class 14: Lewis B.
More names next week.

School Dress Code

This policy can be found on our website. I would just like to remind everyone of the following "thick or thin tights can be worn in bottle green, white, black or grey and socks can be: ankle length, short or long in bottle green, white, black or grey".

Can you please make sure your child has their name on their uniform, PE kit, water bottles etc. as it is impossible to return them if we do not know who they belong to. We already have a large number of items in lost property this term with no names on. Thank you!

Friends of Ashtree Sponsored Wellie Walk

Please note that this event is being planned for 2 - 3pm on Thursday 8 October. Friends will be sending out more information via a separate letter. Parents will be welcome to come and walk with the children. We are hoping to raise money towards an interactive whiteboard for the Junior hall.

Sports Results

Our season has finally got underway with a girls' home match tonight versus The Giles School and a boys' home match next Tuesday versus Martinswood. I look forward to reporting outcomes next week.

Finally, well done to our Y6 children who attended Crucial Crew this morning. The children were praised for their excellent behaviour and they all learnt a lot about personal safety and being good citizens. We would like to thank those of you who are already using Schoolcomms and would encourage all other parents to register. If you would like any help with this, please contact the School Office.

Dinnertime Behaviour Awards

The winners for this week are Classes 4 and 8.

Attendance Cup

The winner for this week is Class 7 with 100%.

Effort Cup

Congratulations to Brian S-F from Year 1.

E. Kirwan