



Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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NEWSLETTER 10

DATE 18 November 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you to all of the parents that came in this week to look at the Remembrance Day display. The feedback from parents was very positive and the children loved being able to show the work that they had done. I know that there will be more opportunities coming up for you to come into school soon.

Are you aware that from Reception to Y2 your child is entitled to free school meals. I buy a school meal every day and I can tell you from experience that they are really lovely. One of my favourites has always been Wednesday's roast dinner. At the moment we have pork, chicken and beef on a rotation. There are always vegetarian options, a cold packed lunch and jacket potato. As the cost of food and the cost of the fuel to cook it rises, this is the perfect way to help out your finances and add to your child's balanced diet. You can find a link to the menu on our website <https://ashtree.herts.sch.uk/parents/meals/>

I have been talking to some of the children that attend the after school club. They have talked about the activities that they do, there is a chance to do sporting activities and quieter games and crafts. The children that I spoke to highly recommend the club and said that they think that other children should try it out. Rising Stars, the company that are running the club are experienced and have a number of other afterschool clubs. I really hope that we make good use of this and that it is financially viable, and they can stay with us. You can contact them at school or through their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/RisingStarsWrapAroundClubsLtd>

We also have our new to Nursery and Reception open evening on Wednesday 23 November, please do share the post on our Facebook page. There will also be an opportunity to talk to the afterschool club and the new preschool on that day.

Finally a reminder that school will be closed to pupils on Friday 25 November and Monday 28 November, a message came out this week to say that the kitchen will be moving the battered fish and pizza to Thursday.



Mrs Janes
Headteacher

Children in Need
Money Raised
£253.26p



Upcoming Events

23 November 2022

Nursery & Reception open Afternoon
3.30-4.30pm

25 November & 28 November 2022
School Closed to pupils

9 December 2022

Nasal Flu – 2nd Round

14 December 2022

Christmas Concert
Christmas Dinner
Christmas Jumper Day



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We are holding a **Nursery and Reception (EYFS)**

Open Afternoon on

Wednesday 23rd November

3.30-4.30

Everyone is welcome to visit
our lovely classrooms and meet the staff!

What do parents say about Ashtree Early Years?

'The teachers create a happy, caring and nurturing environment.'

'It is so reassuring knowing your child is going to school every day confident and happy.'

'My child has settled into the school with so much ease, the enthusiasm and excitement is infectious.'



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**Friends of Ashtree, HCL, Rising Stars
and Preschool will be here too.**

**Free pudding samples will be available
from HCL and an activity from the
Friends of Ashtree.**

**As from Monday 21 November the
driveway gate will be locked from
8.30am. If you have a pass you will
need to call the office to open the
gate. Thank you**



Ashtree v Shephalbury Park Year 5 Girls League Match – 11 November 2022

Our Year 5 squad were excited to welcome the Shephalbury Park team to Ashtree for their second game of the season.

We found this game more challenging than our previous one and the girls had to think carefully about what they had been taught in our training sessions. We were pleased with our 2 – 2 draw and we have learned a lot by playing a different team with different skills and abilities.

Our captain for this game was Annabella and the Player of the Match, as chosen by the Shephalbury Park team, was Emmanuella. Emmanuella is such an energetic and forward-thinking player and in her role as Centre, she helped Ashtree to regain possession of the ball and created opportunities to channel the ball down the court.

Our next game is a Mixed League game on Tuesday 22 November, away at Bedwell and this will be the last match played this term. However, training will still be taking place on Fridays after school.



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Just Talk week 21-25 November 2022

To celebrate Just Talk, week we will be looking at the five different ways we can ensure healthy wellbeing.

This link brings you straight to an interactive page that paces you through discussions and activities.

<https://www.justtalkherts.org/parents/advice-for-parents.aspx>

Outside Achievements:

Jack had an awesome day yesterday being 'Mini Manager' at Stevenage Borough for the day. He met all of the first team, joined in with their team talk in the changing rooms and chatted with Steve and helped pick the team. He also got to sit in the dugout, be interviewed at half time where everyone in the ground could hear him and he got the win he wanted.



Monday 21 November	Tuesday 22 November	Wednesday 23 November	Thursday 24 November	Friday 25 November
Menu 1	Mixed League Netball match (away Bedwell)	Nursery & Reception Open Afternoon 3.30-4.30pm	Menu Change: Fridays Menu	INSET Day 3 School closed to children
Monday 28 November	Tuesday 29 November	Wednesday 30 November	Thursday 1 December	Friday 2 December
OCCASIONAL DAY School closed to children	Menu 2			Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.25pm-4.15pm)



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Dinner Behaviour Awards



The winners for this week are **Parrots** (for good behaviour on the playground) & **Falcons** (for making good choices and good behaviour during in-door play).



Attendance Cup



The winner for this week is **Kestrels** with **98.9%**.

Falcons	=	97.8%
Robins	=	95.3%
Red Kites	=	95.2%
Eagles	=	94.3%
Hawks	=	94%
Wrens	=	93.8%
Harriers	=	92.3%
Magpies	=	91.2%
Swifts	=	91%
Owls	=	91%
Parrots	=	90.8%
Buzzards	=	85.4%

Term Dates Academic Year 2022 / 2023

Friday 25 November 2022	-	INSET Day 3	- school closed to children
Monday 28 November 2022	-	Occasional Day	- school closed to children
21 December 2022	-	Last day of term	
22 December 2022 - 4 January 2023	-	Christmas holiday	
Thursday 5 January 2023	-	First day of term for pupils	
13 February 2023 - 17 February 2023	-	Half term holiday	
Monday 20 February 2023	-	INSET Day 4	- school closed to children
3 April 2023 - 14 April 2023	-	Easter holiday	
Friday 26 May 2023	-	INSET Day 5	- school closed to children
29 May 2023 – 2 June 2023	-	Half term holiday	
Friday 21 July 2023	-	Last day of term	
24 July 2023 - 31 August 2023	-	Summer holiday	