



Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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Newsletter 10

Date: 24 November 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week governors visited on Wednesday and spoke to the children about behaviour and safeguarding.

They were particularly impressed with the standards of behaviour as the children move around the school and in lessons. The children were able to talk about how the new rewards and expected behaviours made them feel safe and helped them to make the right choices.

One of the things that we are introducing to further improve behaviour and learning behaviours around the school is to introduce some consistent expectations and practice around the school. This is one way that everyone can show a pride in belonging to Ashtree.

I have been speaking with children about how we move around the school. We will now be using the reminder **A B C, Always quiet, Be polite, Calm body and mind**. The children have been very keen to show me that they remember this and that they are putting into practice.

Something else which supports children's behaviour are consistent and predictable routines, 'rules' that they know will be the same whichever adult is with them in school.


These are some of the things that we are introducing.

1. We always line up in register order.
2. Every class will start the morning with an Early Morning Activity
3. Whoever reaches a door first, adult or children, will hold it open for the next person.
4. We will also be making sure that everyone is wearing school uniform correctly. If you are finding it difficult to afford any of the items please do contact the office, we have plenty of clean good quality second hand items.

I am also asking for your help at KS2. In the mornings you will see the adult for each class come out to the children who are standing in register order. If your child is anxious or nervous and needs to stand with you for a little longer than other children, can you please help by watching out for the adult and when they appear at the front of the class line, can you send your child over to join them please. This really helps us to set the tone for the day by getting the children to start by moving into school following the ABC.

Finally, I would like to say congratulations to Mrs Mohiuddin. She has been looking to widen her school experience and will be starting a new job in January working in a Year 5 class. We will miss her very much, she has been working with us since 2012. I will be posting the advert to our Facebook page, please help us out by sharing it.

Mrs Janes - Headteacher



Coffee Morning DSPL2

Please come along to our coffee morning.
It's a great way to meet other parents and get involved with DSPL2 events.

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided.
We hope to see you there.

Dates:
Friday 29th September 2023 9.30am-11.00am
Friday 24th November 2023 9.30-11am
Friday 22nd March 2024 9.30-11am
Friday 10th May 2024 9.30-11am
Friday 28th June 2024 9.30-11am

Location:
The Oak Suite,
Peartree Spring Primary School,
Hydeau way,
Stevenage,
SG2 9GG.

Click [here](#) to book via DSPL2 Eventbrite.
If you have any questions email: dspl2@peartreespring.herts.sch.uk

DSPL2 Delivering Special Provision Locally

Thursday 14 December



CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Sliced Turkey Breast with Chipolata Sausage

Sage and Onion Stuffing

Gravy

Or

Quorn Fillet (v)

Veggie Sausage (v)

Sage and Onion Stuffing

Gravy

Roast Potatoes

With a Choice of Seasonal Vegetables



Choice of Christmas Dessert





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SENDCo Drop In Sessions with Ms Ruprai

These sessions are to support you after you have spoken with your child's class teacher. You will be able to discuss:

- Information to share from home.
- Initial concerns about your child.

If you would like to book a drop-in session with myself, please contact the school office by either phoning or emailing

admin@ashtree.herts.sch.uk

| Slots available | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Monday 27 November 9am – 9.15am | | Thursday 30 November 9am – 9.15am |
| Monday 11 December 3pm – 3.15pm | Wednesday 13 December 9am – 9.15am | Thursday 14 December 9am – 9.15am |

House Points - Special Mention:

Lillia (Eagles) For showing resilience and perseverance in her maths learning about percentages. We broke the problem down into manageable steps and took one step at a time. Well done for not giving up! **Awarded by Ms Ruprai**

Pixie (Eagles) For showing resilience and perseverance in her maths learning about percentages. We broke the problem down into manageable steps and took one step at a time. Well done for not giving up! **Awarded by Ms Ruprai**

Oakley (Penguins) Always approaches learning with enthusiasm and more recently has used resilience when facing a challenge. Willing to have a go at answering questions and feeling immense pride when he achieves. Well done, Oakley. **Awarded by Mr Yates**

Riley (Harriers) For outstanding sporting attitude at the Futsal Tournament. **Awarded by Mr Yates**

Oscar (Harriers) For outstanding sporting attitude at the Futsal Tournament. **Awarded by Mr Yates**

Lloyd (Harriers) For outstanding sporting attitude at the Futsal Tournament. **Awarded by Mr Yates**

Eliseo (Eagles) For outstanding sporting attitude at the Futsal Tournament. **Awarded by Mr Yates**

Babatounse (Eagles) For outstanding sporting attitude at the Futsal Tournament. **Awarded by Mr Yates**

Ciaran (Eagles) For outstanding sporting attitude at the Futsal Tournament. **Awarded by Mr Yates**

Francesca (Buzzards) Awarded an on-the-spot house point this week for some excellent independent writing in English! **Awarded by Mr Allen**

Oscar (Buzzards) Awarded an on-the-spot house point this week for showing fantastic learning behaviours all week! **Awarded by Mr Allen**

This week's trophy winner is:

- Lillia KS2 - Resilience Trophy
- Pixie KS2 – Pride Trophy.



Attendance Cup: The winner for this week is **Robins** with **96.7%**

| Class | Authorised / Unauthorised Sessions Missed |
|-----------|---|
| Buzzards | 4.5 |
| Eagles | 9.9 |
| Falcons | 6.6 |
| Harriers | 12.5 |
| Hawks | 9.4 |
| Kestrels | 7.8 |
| Penguins | 8.3 |
| Red Kites | 0.6 |
| Swifts | 5.6 |
| Wrens | 5.9 |



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Sporting Achievements:

Y5/6 Boys Futsal Tournament – Reported by Mr Yates

Our players thoroughly enjoyed themselves whilst finishing 5th out of 12 teams.

The boys behaved impeccably as they represented the school and embodied our school values superbly. The results from the individual games are as follows:

Game 1

7-1 win

Ciaran ⚽⚽

Babatounse ⚽⚽

Lloyd ⚽

Eliseo ⚽⚽

Game 2

0-4 loss

Game 3

3-2 win

Lloyd ⚽⚽⚽



Game 4

5-1 win

Babatounse ⚽⚽

Riley ⚽

Eliseo ⚽

Lloyd ⚽

Game 5

5-5 draw

Eliseo ⚽⚽

Lloyd ⚽⚽⚽

Game 6

1-1 draw

Oscar ⚽

Player of the Tournament: Lloyd; for offering to be the goalkeeper for the last game, so that Oscar could try and score - which he did!

Y5/6 Boys Football – Reported by Mr Yates

Ashtree 0-5 Giles

Squad: Ben, Presley, Charley, Alfie, Marcel, Tommy, Mayson, Farhan, Bradley.

The players worked tirelessly in a tough match. They encouraged each other throughout the game and showed great resilience.

Player of the Match: Ben, for making some outstanding saves in goal.

Netball – Reported by Mrs Cox

Featherstone Wood v Ashtree Mixed League Match – 23.11.23

The Ashtree team, with their captain Erin, were pleased to visit Featherstone Wood on Thursday afternoon, for their second game of the season.

The whole match saw real energy and determined play from both sides, with excellent interceptions and good use of court space. The Featherstone Wood team had many talented players, and you would not have known that this was only their second time of playing a league game.

Ashtree won the match 0 – 6 and the Player of the Match, as chosen by the Featherstone Wood team was Sienna, our Goalkeeper, who defended our goal well, by keeping close to the Goal Shooter and intercepting Featherstone Wood passes.



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| Menu 2 Premier Education Gymnastics Club Rec – Y6 After School Club Choir Years 5-6 1-1.25pm (Lunchtime) 12.30-1pm Warriorz Street Dance Boys Football Training Y5 – Y6 (Mr Yates) Lunchtime 12.55pm-1.25pm | GoShin Karate Club Y2-Y After School Club 12.30-12.50pm Recorder Club, Miss Hembra | Basketball Y1 – Y6 After School Club KS2 Chess Club (Lunchtime) 1pm-1.25pm Reception Reading / Phonics Club 3.25 – 3.40pm | Girls Football Training Y5 – Y6 (Mr Allen) Afterschool LAST ONE THIS TERM SFC Football Rec- Y6 After School EYFS Cooking Club After School | FitKidz UK Fitness Club Rec – Y6 AM Club Dance Club (Sophie) Rec – Y6 After School Boys/Girls Netball Training Y5 – Y6 (Mrs Cox) After School 3:30 to 4:30pm SFC Multi-Sports - Rec, Y1, Y2 Lunchtime 12.30-1pm) |
| Monday 4 December | Tuesday 5 December | Wednesday 6 December | Thursday 7 December | Friday 8 December |
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School Dates 2023 / 2024

Christmas Holiday: 21 December 2023 - 3 January 2024

INSET Day 3 – Thursday 4 January 2024 (school closed to pupils)

Friday 5 January 2024 – First day of term (pupils return)

Half-term Holiday: Monday 19 February 2024 – Friday 23 February 2024

Easter Holiday: Monday 29 March 2024 – Friday 12 April 2024

INSET Day 4 – Friday 3 May 2024 (school closed to pupils)

Half-term Holiday: Monday 27 May 2024 – Friday 31 May 2024

INSET Day 5 – Monday 22 July 2024 (school closed to pupils)

Occasional Day – Tuesday 23 July 2024 (school closed to pupils)

Summer Holiday: 24 July 2024 - 1 September 2024