



# Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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## NEWSLETTER 13

DATE 9 December 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week the children have been rehearsing for our Christmas Carol Concert which will be taking place on Wednesday 14 December at 3.30pm on the KS2 playground. This will also be our Christmas themed non-uniform, the children could wear Christmas jumpers, Christmas colours or a Christmas themed accessory.

We hope you can join us.

On behalf of myself, staff and the Governors we would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Dunlop for her time and dedication whilst being part the Ashtree Family. We wish her all the very best in her new role. Her last day with us will be Friday 16 December.

Ms Ruprai  
Deputy Head

### Order of events

Nursery & Reception – Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer

Year 1 & 2 – This Little Light of Mine

Year 1 & 2 - Animals in the Stable

Pause for Nursery & Reception to leave

Year 3 – Jingle Bells

Year 4 – Feliz Navidad

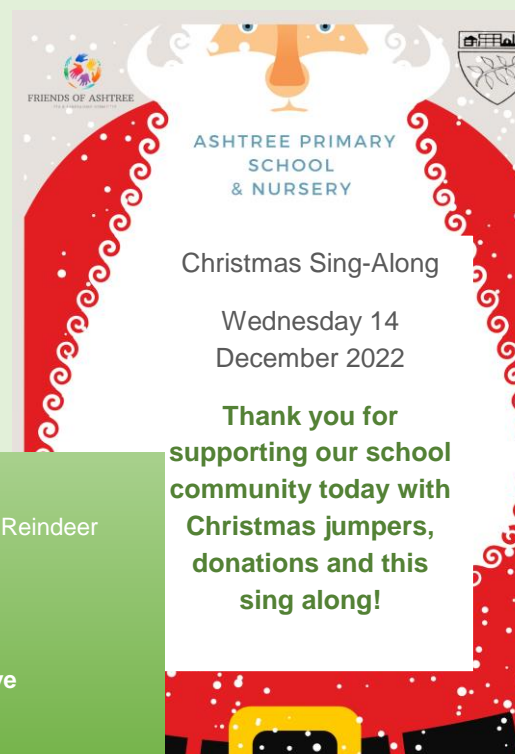
Year 5 – Must Be Santa

Year 6 – Wish it could be Christmas every day

KS2 Choir - Ring! Ring! Ring! The Bells & Christmas Alphabet

Whole School & Audience to join in – Winter Wonderland &

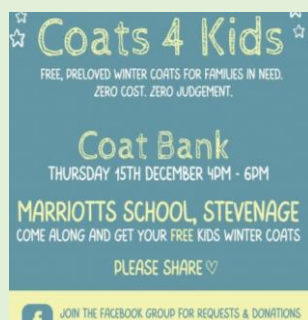
We Wish You a Merry Christmas



Christmas Sing-Along

Wednesday 14  
December 2022

**Thank you for  
supporting our school  
community today with  
Christmas jumpers,  
donations and this  
sing along!**



## FSM Christmas Holiday Vouchers:

**Please note: This is for those children already registered for benefit related FSM**

County Councillors have chosen to provide supermarket vouchers for every child in Hertfordshire that is entitled to benefit-related free school meals for the Christmas 2022 holiday period. Each entitled child will receive digital supermarket vouchers to the value of £50. These will be sent to your inbox directly on Monday 12 December from [noreply@edenred.co.uk](mailto:noreply@edenred.co.uk). Please check your junk mail for this. Pupils who are in Nursery that are entitled to these vouchers will receive them in a different format from the *Household Support Fund*.

More information about Free School Meal vouchers and the Household Support Fund, can be found at: <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>

Mr Yates  
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## School Start times:

<https://ashtree.herts.sch.uk/parents/school-hours/>

It is important that children are in school on time and we ask that you arrive between 8:45am and 8:50am. KS1 doors at 8:50am and EYFS doors at 8:45am. KS2 doors opening at 8:55am.

If children arrive before 8:45 they should be supervised as staff will not be on duty until this time.

School days are a very busy time and there is a lot of learning to enjoy. Please ensure that you arrive in good time for the school day, being 5 minute late one day a week will mean 3 hours and 15 minutes lost learning time over the year.

Thank you for your support in making every minute count in school from lessons to music opportunities to the social opportunities at break times.

## Class Council Representatives:

| Year | Names   |
|------|---------|
| Y6   | Lexi    |
|      | Kamran  |
| Y5   | Noah    |
|      | Niamh   |
| Y4   | Layla J |
|      | Lylah   |
| Y3   | Aaron   |
|      | Jacob L |
| Y2   | Parker  |
|      | Connor  |

| Monday 12 December | Tuesday 13 December | Wednesday 14 December   | Thursday 15 December | Friday 16 December                               |
|--------------------|---------------------|---|----------------------|--|
| Menu 1             |                     | Christmas Concert<br>Christmas Dinner<br>Christmas Jumper Day |                      | Netball Training<br>Years 5&6<br>(3.25pm-4.15pm) |
| Monday 19 December | Tuesday 20 December | Wednesday 21 December   |                      |  |
| Menu 2             |                     | School Finishes at<br>2.15pm                                  |                      |  |



## Dinner Behaviour Awards



The winners for this week are **Robins** (for playing nicely and being kind to each other at lunch) & **Hawks** (for good behaviour on the playground).



## Attendance Cup



The winner for this week is **Buzzards** with **95.4%**.

| Class     | % Attendance |
|-----------|--------------|
| Parrots   | 93.5%        |
| Harriers  | 91.2%        |
| Falcons   | 91.1%        |
| Robins    | 90.6%        |
| Owls      | 90.3%        |
| Red Kites | 88.7%        |
| Kestrels  | 85.3%        |
| Wrens     | 85.2%        |
| Swifts    | 85%          |
| Eagles    | 84.6%        |
| Magpies   | 81.3%        |

## Term Dates Academic Year 2022 / 2023

|                                     |   |  |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| 21 December 2022                    | - | Last day of term 2.15pm finish               |
| 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                            |
| <b>Monday 20 February 2023</b>      | - | <b>INSET Day 4 - school closed to pupils</b> |
| 3 April 2023 - 14 April 2023        | - | Easter holiday                               |
| <b>Friday 26 May 2023</b>           | - | <b>INSET Day 5 - school closed to pupils</b> |
| 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                               |