



# Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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## NEWSLETTER 16

DATE: 14 January 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week despite the fact that we continue to keep bubbles within school, are not returning to face to face assemblies and keeping rooms ventilated along with other measures, our numbers are unfortunately rising. Staff are working extremely hard to balance the need to keep children safe and to give the children the experiences that are so important in school. After a long discussion with Public Health we have sadly been advised to limit attendance in clubs again to just one year group at a time, this has meant that many of our clubs are unable to run. I know how disappointing this is to children, parents and staff, but the safety and health of everyone at Ashtree has to be a priority. We will keep you all updated as things change.

In our staff meeting this week Jessica Kauffour our School Family Worker, gave us the first of two very interesting training sessions about autism. Some of you will have worked with Jessica before, in school she can either support children or parents. In addition to this she also works at Grace's Space, Grace's Space is an organisation which supports:- Children aged 3-14 years old, diagnosed with ASD and their families. If you think that this might be something that you would be interested in then have a look at their Facebook page.

In class the children are talking about and working on their resilience. Building resilience in children is something that has always been important but never more so than over the last two years. Resilience is being able to cope with challenges, trauma or adversity that life brings and bounce back from it and as parents and carers your support is really important in building resilient children. Family Lives is an organisation that can help and offer advice in a number of situations this is a link to children's resilience. [www.familylives.org.uk](http://www.familylives.org.uk)

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with Covid-19 (the day of the first positive test is 0) will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#).

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

I hope that the outbreak of Covid-19 will begin to slow down soon and that we can begin to start back up with our clubs and other activities. In the meantime, stay well and safe and have a lovely weekend.

**Mrs Janes** – Headteacher



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## Reminder:

- If your child is going to be picked up by someone else, **please inform the office**. Thank you.
- Nursery are looking for boy's socks. Also Year 1 are looking for girl's underwear. If you are able to donate anything new we would be very grateful.
- One of the measures to reduce Covid-19 transition is to increase ventilation in class rooms. Please make sure your child comes in with a jumper/cardigan and an extra t-shirt if needed.
- We would love to hear about your children's achievements outside school so we can include them in the weekly newsletter.



**Brighter Days  
KIDS CLUB**

Term time only  
After School: 3:15PM to 6:00 PM  
Snack on arrival and light tea at 5

Nursery class to year 6  
Early session £4.75 until 4  
Middle session £9.50 until 5  
Late session £14.25 until 6

Open to all pupils attending Ashtree School

1  
FREE TASTER  
SESSION

- board games
- science experiments
- games console
- quiet area
- life skills
- construction
- cooking
- crafts
- outdoor games
- sewing

Email: [enquiries@brighterdayskidsclub.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@brighterdayskidsclub.co.uk)  
Telephone: 07727092382

  

We serve a hot dinner every day at 5pm

Tel: 07542199299

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Website: <https://www.brighterdays.org.uk/>

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## Dinner Behaviour Awards



The winners for this week are **Class 4** (*Good behaviour and lining up well*) & **Class 10** (*Good team work*).



## Attendance Cup



The winner for this week is **Class 10** with **98.6%**.

Monday 17 January	Tuesday 18 January	Wednesday 19 January	Thursday 20 January	Friday 21 January
Menu 3			Y6 Online Health Questionnaire	
Monday 24 January	Tuesday 25 January	Wednesday 26 January	Thursday 27 January	Friday 28 January
Menu 1				
Monday 31 January	Tuesday 1 February	Wednesday 2 February	Thursday 3 February	Friday 4 February
Menu 2				
Monday 7 February	Tuesday 8 February	Wednesday 9 February	Thursday 10 February	Friday 11 February
Menu 3				Class Group Photos
Monday 14 February	Tuesday 15 February	Wednesday 16 February	Thursday 17 February	Friday 18 February
<b>Half - term</b>				



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## Term Dates Academic Year 2022



### Spring Term 2022



Monday 14 February – Friday 18 February	-	Half-term
Monday 21 February	-	<b>INSET Day 4 - school closed to children</b>
Tuesday 22 February	-	First day of term for pupils
Friday 1 April	-	End of term – finish at 2.15pm
Monday 4 April – Monday 18 April	-	Half-term - Easter Break
Monday 18 April	-	<b>Bank Holiday</b>



### Summer Term 2022



<b>Tuesday 19 April</b>	-	<b>Holiday</b> - school closed to children
Wednesday 20 April	-	First day of term for pupils
Friday 27 May	-	INSET Day 5 - school closed to children
Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June	-	Half Term ( <i>including the Spring Bank Holiday and additional Bank Holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.</i> )
Monday 6 June	-	First day of term for pupils
Friday 22 July	-	Last day of term – finish at 2.15pm

## Academic Year 2022

**KS1 – Y2 Testing window is the whole month of May 2022.**

**KS1 – Y1 Phonics is 6 – 17 June 2022.**

**KS2 – Y4 Multiplication Test is 6 – 24 June 2022.**

**KS2 – Y6 9 – 12 May 2022.**

**Please ensure you do not book any family holidays during test times as they will be unauthorised.**