



Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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NEWSLETTER: 21

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back, I hope that you all enjoyed your break. This week began with a training day for Teaching Staff. During the day Miss Sinnott, Mrs Cox, Mrs Garnham our Phonics Reading and Writing Leads worked with staff to further develop these areas of the curriculum. I was pleased to see how far the school has come in addressing the areas for involvement in our last Ofsted Report.

English has been a theme throughout this week, our Nursery and Reception classes held their first reading club, for children and parents. The club takes place every Wednesday at 11.30am for Morning Nursery and 3.20pm for Afternoon/30 hour Nursery and Reception.



On Tuesday, our school Council representatives from Y6 visited the Council chambers in Stevenage for the Schools Parliament, where they impressed us with their speaking and listening skills.

On Thursday, we held the first cookery session run by HCL, where parents and children enjoyed cooking and eating pizza.



On Wednesday 1 March, due to Strike Action we will need to restrict attendance. Currently Parrots and Robins, Magpies and Swifts, Owls and Buzzards, Red-kites and Kestrels, Falcons and Eagles will be closed to pupils. **Wrens, Harriers and Hawks will be opened as normal.** Unfortunately we do not have sufficient staffing to allow children of key workers to attend on this occasion. A letter will come out on Monday confirming this. Thank you for your understanding.

Mrs Janes - Headteacher

Class Proof Cards will be coming out today.

Deadline to order online with free delivery back to the school is: Sunday 5th March 2023.

Any orders after the set deadline will be subject to postage & packaging costs with delivery direct to the home address.



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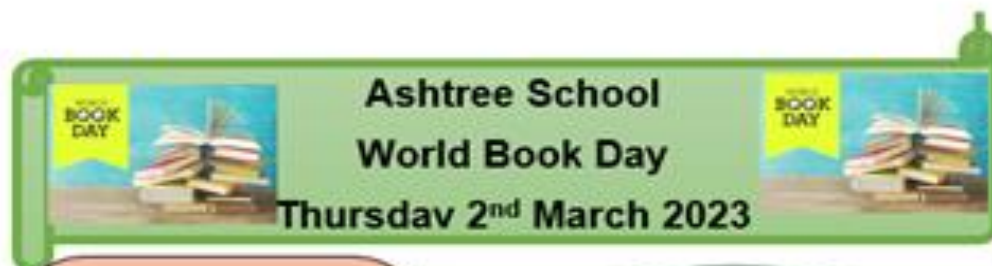
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Dress up as your favourite book character or author, come to school as a 'Muggle', or bring to school your favourite book to share.
(No donations required.)

Start your Day with a Story!

On Tuesday 28th February (Infant Hall) and Thursday 2nd March (Junior Hall), come into school at 8:40 to choose a book to share with

Share with the whole school, your favourite thing about books, by completing the Whole School Learning Activity, given out on Wednesday 22nd February.

Have your photograph taken in your costume or with your favourite book, by Studio 66 at the end of the school day in the KS1 Hall.

Visit the book fair, run by the FOA in the Key Stage 1 hall at the end of the day.



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Monday 27 February	Tuesday 28 February	Wednesday 1 March	Thursday 2 March	Friday 3 March
Menu 2 Art Club Y5/Y6 (lunchtimes) Y4 Violin Lessons KS1 Stop & Read 3pm	Origami Club (lunchtimes)	Teacher Strike Day	Crochet Club Y6 (lunchtimes) World Book Day	Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.25pm-4.15pm)
Monday 6 March	Tuesday 7 March	Wednesday 8 March	Thursday 9 March	Friday 10 March
Menu 3 Art Club Y5/Y6 (lunchtimes) Y4 Violin Lessons KS1 Stop & Read 3pm	Origami Club (lunchtimes)		Crochet Club Y6 (lunchtimes)	Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.25pm-4.15pm) Special Persons Gift Sale (permission slip returned by 3.15pm)
Monday 13 March	Tuesday 14 March	Wednesday 15 March	Thursday 16 March	Friday 17 March
Menu 1 Art Club Y5/Y6 (lunchtimes) Y4 Violin Lessons KS1 Stop & Read 3pm	Special Persons Gift Sale Origami Club (lunchtimes)	Teacher Strike Day	Teacher Strike Day	Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.25pm-4.15pm)



Dinner Behaviour Awards



The winners for this week are **Swifts** (for good lining up and good manners in the dining room) & **Kestrels** (for demonstrating responsible behaviour on the playground).



Attendance Cup



The winner for this week is **Buzzards**.

Term Dates Academic Year 2023

3 April 2023 - 14 April	-	Easter holiday
Friday 26 May 2023	-	INSET Day 5-school closed to pupils
29 May 2023 – 2 June	-	Half-term Holiday
Friday 21 July 2023	-	Last day of term
24 July 2023 - 31 August	-	Summer Holiday
Friday 1 September	-	INSET Day
Monday 4 September	-	Start of term
23 October – 27 October	-	Half-term Holiday

Class	Sessions Missed
Buzzards	0
Parrots	3
Wrens	3
Robins	7
Kestrels	10
Falcons	11
Hawks	13
Magpies	16
Owls	17
Red Kites	18
Swifts	23
Eagles	27
Harriers	30