



Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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NEWSLETTER: 24

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Dear Parents & Carers,

This week I have had a lot of visitors, children have been working really hard this week and have been very proud of the progress that they are making.

I have seen paintings, listened to raps, seen some beautiful handwriting and presentation but the best thing about my visitors this week is to see their growing confidence in themselves and how proud they are to show others what they have achieved. School is not just about learning knowledge and skills but also developing confidence, learning the skills of debate and being able to make friendships.

This week Mrs McQueen met with the School Council. We received this from the Stevenage education trust this week;

I am delighted to say that the SET trustees were very impressed with the ideas suggested parliamentarians and we are now in a position to start moving things along. We will be creating a timeline of events throughout the year and our first event as suggested by the students will be a bake sale in aid of a local homeless charity in the summer term.

In the meantime, the school councillors at Ashtree will be running a vote within their year groups in which the children will be choosing the homeless charity of their choice. This will be from three local recommended charities that work very closely with the homeless.

The Friends of Ashtree held a very successful Special Person Sale, I am sure that the children will love seeing you open your gifts. Thank you to the PTA for their hard work. You may have noticed a box in the entrance to the school collecting ink cartridges, this is a new venture by the PTA which will help raise funds and is also an easy way to recycle. Did you know that 800,000 ink cartridges will be thrown in UK landfill this week. I am pleased that we are able to our bit to reduce this amount.



Look out next week for some photos and information about how we celebrated Red Nose Day and a report from our netball team who have a match today.

Mrs Janes – Headteacher

From 1 April Meal prices for KS2 will be increasing from £2.60 to £3.20. This is to cover HCC process increase due to costs.





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Outside Achievements:



Grace from Y1 went to Wembley Arena and watched Disney on Ice. She had a brilliant day. She made her own princess Jasmine flag and wore her Jasmine outfit.



As part of national Science week, Y4 had a Science lesson with a difference. The Thomas Alleyne Academy came in to Ashtree to show the different effects of Acids and Alkalis. The pupils loved seeing the changes in colour when dry ice was dropped into the glass cylinders.





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**Spaces available for Nursery
and Reception for September
2023.**



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Monday 20 March <i>Menu 2</i> Art Club Y5/Y6 (lunchtimes) Y4 Violin Lessons KS1 Stop & Read 3pm	Tuesday 21 March <i>Origami Club</i> (lunchtimes)	Wednesday 22 March	Thursday 23 March Crochet Club Y6 (lunchtimes)	Friday 24 March Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.25pm-4.15pm)
Monday 27 March <i>Menu 3</i> Art Club Y5/Y6 (lunchtimes) Y4 Violin Lessons KS1 Stop & Read 3pm Parents Evening	Tuesday 28 March <i>Origami Club</i> (lunchtimes) Parents Evening	Wednesday 29 March	Thursday 30 March Crochet Club Y6 (lunchtimes)	Friday 31 March Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.25pm-4.15pm)
Monday 3 April	Tuesday 4 April	Wednesday 5 April	Thursday 6 April	Friday 7 April Good Friday BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 10 April Easter Monday BANK HOLIDAY	Tuesday 11 April	Wednesday 12 April	Thursday 13 April	Friday 14 April



Dinner Behaviour Awards



The winners for this week are **Robins** (for good listening skills and sharing) & **Red Kites** (for excellent 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	4
Kestrels	6
Swifts	7
Parrots	10
Magpies	13
Red Kites	14
Falcons	14
Harriers	15
Owls	16
Robins	24
Hawks	28
Eagles	28
Wrens	30