



# Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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## NEWSLETTER: 26

DATE: 31 March 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

It was lovely to see you all at parents evening this week, I hope that you enjoyed looking at your children's work and finding out what they have been doing in class. We had a slightly unexpected event in the middle of the meetings when an air ambulance landed in our field. They were not here for any of us and I hope that the people they were supporting are ok. Everyone enjoyed watching it land, it really was very loud.



At the weekend Sunbeams preschool had the first of their open days, they will be offering places to children from the age of 2 and are already working with Ashtree to plan a variety of options for Nursery aged children attending for 30 hours. I look forward to a long relationship with Sunbeams, and extending our Ashtree family to them. If you are interested in finding out more they can be contacted on [info@sunbeams-preschool.com](mailto:info@sunbeams-preschool.com)



We ended the week with some lovely opportunities for parents to come in and watch their children singing and playing in an assembly. Miss Hembra has once again been working hard to encourage a love of music across the school.

As a school we have adopted a donkey in the name of Ms Long who had worked at Ashtree and I mentioned had died recently. Ms Long loved all animals but many of us remember the day that she brought a donkey into assembly, and we thought that this was a lovely way to remember Ms Long. The Donkey is called Ashley which was the closest that we could get to Ashtree.

I would like to thank Mrs Jones for all her help here at Ashtree - we will miss you. We wish you all the best in your new adventure.



I hope that you all have a lovely Easter break, that you get to enjoy some time with family, maybe a little chocolate and we will see you all safely back at school next term.

Mrs Janes – Headteacher

Ashtree School Council voted for their chosen charity – We are waiting for all schools to collate the information to decide the winner – we will keep you posted.



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## Science Week

For Science Week, Y4 were excited to welcome Mrs Steadman from the Thomas Alleyne Academy to show us some amazing science involving acids and alkalis. We all enjoyed it very much and are very grateful to Mrs Steadman for giving up her time to work with us.

## Bread Making

As a part of our Design Technology learning, Kestrel class designed and then made their own bread, with the help of parents. The bread smelled delicious and Kestrel class thoroughly enjoyed baking their own bread.



## Outside Achievements:



Darcie from Y4 passed her Level 7 Gymnastics Award on Monday – Well done Darcie!

Thomas from Y3 has moved up from Beavers and been invested into cubs – Well done Thomas!



Here is a selection of the lovely creations the pupils here at Ashtree have sent in for the Easter Art Competition. Thank you again to our PTA for organising.





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Monday 3 April	Tuesday 4 April	Wednesday 5 April	Thursday 6 April	Friday 7 April
				Good Friday BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 10 April	Tuesday 11 April	Wednesday 12 April	Thursday 13 April	Friday 14 April
Easter Monday BANK HOLIDAY				
Monday 17 April	Tuesday 18 April	Wednesday 19 April	Thursday 20 April	Friday 21 April
<b>Menu 1 (NEW Menu)</b> Art Club Y5/Y6 (lunchtimes) Y4 Violin Lessons KS1 Stop & Read 3pm	Origami Club (lunchtimes)		Crochet Club Y6 (lunchtimes)  Y5 School Trip Lee Valley	Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.25pm-4.15pm)



## Governor's Cup



The winner for this term is **Owls 94.1%**.

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.

## Term Dates Academic Year 2023

3 April 2023 - 14 April	-	Easter holiday
<b>Friday 26 May 2023</b>	-	<b>INSET Day 5-school closed to pupils</b>
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