

# Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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NEWSLETTER 27 DATE: 22 April 2022

## **Next half term our school value is Integrity**

Dear Parents & Carers.

It is lovely to be back in school this week, with the bluebells out and making daisy chains with KS1. The children really enjoyed being allowed to spread out onto the field. We were visited on Thursday by an advisor from Herts for Learning looking at how we can further develop our lunchtimes. We know that, particularly for the younger children, they will have missed out during the lockdowns, on learning to play games with larger groups. Just to prove the point, as we walked around, there were a number of children that came up to us to say they didn't know what to do or play. The Midday Supervisors have been training and working hard to change our lunchtimes and to begin to run structured games and activities that the children can learn. One thing that we do need is more play equipment and so we will be looking at ways to fund this.

We welcomed Miss Sinnott and Mr Yates back after a beautiful wedding day, I'm sure that most of you have seen this photo on our Facebook page.

Ms Ruprai has spent a happy few hours sorting out the new resources for our phonics scheme Little Wandle which will start being used very soon.

There were not too many work projects happening this holiday, the programme of renewing and updating fuse boards and electrical works started and a leak repaired. Mr Street also came in and painted various areas around the school, with help from Mrs Dunlop's daughter. We are still looking for tins of magnolia paint if you have any half-finished tins that you are looking to rehome.

This term we are looking forward to a gradual return to whole school assemblies in the hall, Jubilee themed meals in the dining room, sports days, open evenings and my bungee jump. If you are able to sponsor me just a little then click on this link. <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/sponsored-bungee-jump?utm\_term=JNGMv8Kna">https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/sponsored-bungee-jump?utm\_term=JNGMv8Kna</a>

This term the children will be learning about and practicing integrity as our half term's value. We will be focussing on why we do 'the right thing' and how important it is to do this even when no one is watching. You can follow this theme up at home by creating 'what would you do if...' cards and discuss the dilemmas as a family. What would you do if you found out where your parents keep your Christmas presents?

Mrs M. Janes Headteacher

Reminder from the PTA

Last day for purchasing a School Disco ticket is Wednesday 27 April







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#### Reminders:

- If you child is going to be picked up by someone else, please inform the office. Thank you.
- When on school property, please make sure that you and your children walk scooters and bikes through the grounds.
- It is important to us that we are able to address parent/carer concerns, please ensure that you bring these to the class teacher or the office and do not approach children directly.
- Please be considerate of local residents and follow the Highway Code by not parking on yellow lines outside of the school and across people's drives.



## Dinner Behaviour Awards



The winners for this week are Class 4 (good behaviour in the dining room and lining up) & Class 9 (for showing good companionship).



The winner for this week is Class 3 with 100%.

**REMINDER**: Just to let you know that the HCC Meals for the Juniors (KS2) will be changing from 1 April 2022 to £2.80

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
25 April	26 April	27 April	28 April	29 April
Menu 2		Cheerleading 3.15pm-4.15pm Last day for buying Disco tickets	Y6 Cricket Club 3.20pm – 4.20pm	Netball Training
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 May	3 May	4 May	5 May	6 May
BANK HOLIDAY	Menu 3	Cheerleading 3.15pm-4.15pm	Y6 Cricket Club 3.20pm – 4.20pm	Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.30pm-4.15pm)
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9 May	10 May	11 May	12 May	13 May
Menu 1		Cheerleading 3.15pm-4.15pm	Y6 Cricket Club 3.20pm – 4.20pm	Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.30pm-4.15pm)
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
16 May	17 May	18 May	19 May	20 May
Menu 2		Cheerleading 3.15pm-4.15pm		Y6 Swimming Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.30pm-4.15pm)



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### Term Dates Academic Year 2022 / 2023



Wednesday 20 April Monday 2 May Friday 27 May

Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June

Monday 6 June Friday 22 July First day of term for pupilsMay Day Bank Holiday

- INSET Day 5 - school closed to children

- Half Term (including the Spring Bank Holiday and additional Bank Holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

First day of term for pupils

- 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.

### Academic Year 2022 / 2023

24 October 2022 - 28 October 2022 22 December 2022 - 4 January 2023 13 February 2023 - 17 February 2023

3 April 2023 - 14 April 2023 29 May 2023 - 2 June 2023 24 July 2023 - 31 August 2023

Thursday 1 September 2022 Friday 2 September 2022 Friday 25 November 2022 Monday 28 November 2022 Monday 20 February 2023 Friday 26 May 2023 Half term holidayChristmas holiday

Half term holidayEaster holiday

Half term holidaySummer holiday

INSET Day 1 - school closed to children
 INSET Day 2 - school closed to children
 INSET Day 3 - school closed to children
 Occasional Day - school closed to children
 INSET Day 4 - school closed to children

INSET Day 5 - school closed to children