



# Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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## NEWSLETTER: 3

DATE: Friday 22 September 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week I have seen some interesting lessons in Y3 and Y4 and I have learnt a few facts myself.

The staff in Y3 and Y4 have been working hard to bring learning to life, I have been in and seen digestive systems modelled with bread, coke, and tights. They have been working with the children on their Art skills, looking at blending, shading and perspective.

I have been speaking to the children in Y3 and Y4 about their learning. Charlie, Freddie, and Emily had this to say -

"I have really enjoyed Art where we have been learning about shading and blending, I am much better at this than I was."

"I love Art, it helps me to learn how to draw and then I can use what I have learnt to be creative".

"I am really proud of my artwork."

I spoke to them about their Maths work and in Y3 they told me that they had been learning about cherry models. They showed me how to use these and said.

"They help me to think about adding numbers and breaking them up. I can find missing numbers now".

In Y4 they have been learning how to group numbers which helps them to "work out really tricky additions"

They also enjoyed the practical work in science and said that Mrs Cox showed them why they should close their mouth when eating and how your food is digested.

If you have a look on our Facebook page, you can see more about what the children are learning in class.

Last night we had our PTA AGM and I want to say thank you to everyone that came along I know that the PTA have great plans for projects, fundraising and events over the next year. We couldn't run many of these things without your support and you all coming together as a community to support the PTA so thank you. I know that there will be information coming out soon about working party 'spruce up' days in school and that anyone who has a love of DIY or gardening will be able to volunteer some of their time to make the school environment one that we are all even more proud of.

Mrs Janes  
Headteacher

### Harvest Singing Assembly

We will be celebrating harvest in KS1 by inviting you, to come and enjoy your children's wonderful singing! Please join us in the infant hall on the 18 October at 9.05am- 9:30am. Please enter the hall via the double doors to the right of the office. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mrs McQueen, Mrs Mohiuddin and Ms Hembra



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## Outside Achievements:



Riley from Y5 was Player of the Match on 16 September 2023 he also scored a hat trick. Well done Riley!



Lily from Y1 is very proud to have climbed Snowdon with her daddy last weekend. They set off in the middle of the night and reached the summit just in time to watch the sunrise! Wow what a lovely experience Lily – Well done!



## House Points - Special Mention:

- **Nella (Eagles)** has been awarded an immediate house point for being an exceptional role model. In particular for showing patience and for helping a friend. **Awarded by Ms Ruprai**
- **Jessica (Hawks)** took great pride in her behaviour and attitude, displayed resilience during some tricky maths and helped the whole class community by being an excellent role model throughout the day today. **Awarded by Miss Kiernan**
- I have been very impressed with **Lennon's (Kestrels)** attitude to learning this week and I know he is proud of his achievements. He has worked hard in all our lessons, including the subjects he finds challenging. Well done, Lennon. **Awarded by Mrs Cox**
- **Luke (Falcons)** produced a fantastic piece of written homework. Luke described an activity he had participated in over the school holidays and provided an accompanying certificate to share his achievements. However, what made the work all the better, was how Luke had described his initial feelings of hesitation prior to the activity and then his subsequent feelings of pride once he had completed the activity. Great work! **Awarded by Mr Yates**
- **Kaliyah (Eagles)** for giving up her free time to help in a KS1 computer lesson. Amazing! **Awarded by Mrs McQueen**
- **Alexandra (Eagles)** for giving up her free time to help in a KS1 computer lesson. Amazing! **Awarded by Mrs McQueen**
- **Benjamin (Falcons)** for giving up his free time to help in a KS1 computer lesson. Amazing! **Awarded by Mrs McQueen**

## Extra-Curricular Clubs:

We have had over 150 pupils attend our clubs so far this term which has been fantastic!

The following clubs still have spaces available:

Warriorz Street Dance - Years 3-6 - Free to all pupils, no booking required.

Recorder Club - Years 3-6 - letters available from Miss Hembra

GoShin Karate - Years 3 - 6 - Please contact: [admin@goshinkarateuk.com](mailto:admin@goshinkarateuk.com) for details and cost.

Girls Football - Years 5/6 - Free to all pupils - letters available from Mr Yates

SFC Multisports - Reception, Year 1 and Year - Please book online

via: <https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/stevenagefc/ashtree-lunch-club-ks1-multi-sports-september-october-2023.html>

Sophie's Dance - Reception - Year 6 - please contact: [sophiedance94@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sophiedance94@yahoo.co.uk) for details and cost

Netball Club - Years 5/6 - Free to all pupils - letters available from Mrs Cox

Please see the extra-curricular timetable below for club days.



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## SENDCo Drop-In Sessions with Ms Ruprai

These sessions are to support you after you have spoken with your child's class teacher. You will be able to discuss:

- Information to share from home.
- Initial concerns about your child.

If you would like to book a drop-in session with myself, please contact the school office by either phoning or emailing [admin@ashtree.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ashtree.herts.sch.uk)

Slots available		
Monday 2 October 9am – 9.15am	Wednesday 27 September 9am – 9.15am	Thursday 5 October 9am – 9.15am
Monday 2 October 3pm – 3.15pm	Wednesday 11 October 3pm – 3.15pm	Thursday 12 October 9am – 9.15am



**Attendance Cup:** The winner for this week is **Falcons 98.4%**

Monday 25 September	Tuesday 26 September	Wednesday 27 September	Thursday 28 September	Friday 29 September
<b>Menu 1</b> Premier Education Gymnastics Club Rec – Y6 After School Club <b>Choir</b> <b>Years 5-6</b> <b>1-1.25pm (Lunchtime)</b> 12.30-1pm Warriorz Street Dance	GoShin Karate Club Y2-Y After School Club 1-1.25pm Recorder Club, Miss Hembra	Basketball Y1 – Y6 After School Club <b>Flu Vaccinations Rec-Y6</b>	<b>SFC Football</b> Y3 – Y6 <b>Lunch Club</b> Boys/Girls Football Training Y5 – Y6 (Mr Yates/Mr Allen) After School <b>EYFS Cooking Club</b> After School	FitKidz UK Fitness Club Rec – Y6 AM Club SFC Multi Sports Rec – Y2 Lunch Club Dance Club (Sophie) Rec – Y6 After School Boys/Girls Netball Training Y5 – Y6 (Mrs Cox) After School <b>Y6 NCMP Questionnaire</b>
Monday 2 October	Tuesday 3 October	Wednesday 3 October	Thursday 4 October	Friday 5 October
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## Term Dates Academic Year 2023-2024

Thursday 19 October	-	Individual Photos
23 October – 27 October	-	Half-term Holiday
Friday 3 November	-	INSET Day 2