



# Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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## NEWSLETTER 30

DATE 13 May 2022

### This half term our school value is Integrity

Dear Parents & Carers,

We are so very proud of our Y6 children they have shown resilience and perseverance in the run up to their SAT tests and during the tests this week. The staff have taken great care in balancing the learning, knowledge and skills with the children's wellbeing. This week both classes have behaved beautifully and kept smiling throughout. Staff from all over the school have been supporting the children as test readers and in one case having to write everything for one of our children with a broken arm. Well done Y6.

On Monday night the Governors held a full Governing Body meeting where they discussed coming into school over the next term to see progress we have made since the last inspection. They will be chatting to the children, looking at work and seeing the impact of the new curriculum.

My bungee jump is coming up soon on the 21 May. We are half way to our target having raised £560 so far! If you are able to sponsor me just a little then click on this link. [https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/sponsored-bungee-jump?utm\\_term=JNGMv8Kna](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/sponsored-bungee-jump?utm_term=JNGMv8Kna)

Staff are busy planning which books they would like to buy and the Friends and Ashtree have been finding local donors to support us, keep an eye out for details.

Our after school club have been busy getting creative, cooking and conducting experiments. We still have places available, please contact them with these details



**Brighter Days KIDS CLUB**

Term time only  
After School: 3:15PM to 6:00 PM  
Snack on arrival and light tea at 5

Nursery class to year 6  
Early session £4.75 until 4  
Middle session £9.50 until 5  
Late session £14.25 until 6  
Open to all pupils attending Ashtree School

- board games
- science experiments
- games console
- quiet area
- life skills
- construction
- cooking
- crafts
- outdoor games
- singing

1 FREE TASTER SESSION

Email: [enquiries@brighterdayskidsclub.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@brighterdayskidsclub.co.uk)  
Telephone: 07727092382

DBS CHECKED  
CHILDCARE VOUCHERS  
Ofsted Registered

**We serve a hot dinner every day at 5pm**

**Tel:** 07542199299

**Email:** [enquiries@brighterdayskidsclub.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@brighterdayskidsclub.co.uk)

**Website:** <https://www.brighterdays.org.uk/>

**Facebook:** <https://m.facebook.com/brighterdayskidsclub/>

**Twitter:** <https://mobile.twitter.com/BrighterClub>

Max's Dad kindly gave Class 3 a frame to make a bug house. We have filled it with things that we think would make a cosy home for bugs and have put the house in the Y1 outside area.

We are hoping for some visitors soon!



Mrs M. Janes  
Headteacher

## KS1 MSA

We have a full time vacancy in KS1 (7hrs 30mins per week 11.55am - 1.25pm). Please contact the School Office for a Job Description and Application Form. Closing date is Thursday 26 May 2022. Interviews to be arranged.



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## Ashtree v Knebworth Mixed League Match Report – Thursday 12 May



Ashtree captain, Evangeline, and today's netball team welcomed Knebworth this afternoon. It was exciting to play a different team and a slight change in our team gave a few different Ashtree players more match experience.

This game was quite evenly matched throughout, with equal possession and chances for both teams (although I did think that Ashtree were the slightly stronger team!), but unfortunately our shooting opportunities did not become goals, so we lost the match 1 – 4.

Player of the match, as chosen by the Knebworth team, was our captain for today, Evangeline, who is showing real skill as our Goal Attack. Our coach's player of the match was Laney, who was playing in her first match and showed real intuition and was an excellent Centre.

**Our next match is in two weeks, so netball training will be taking place next week on Friday 20 May at the usual time.**

## Outside Achievements



Dawson and Reo from Y6 played in their Stevenage Borough Juniors FC cup final on Saturday 7 May. 🏆



Bradley from Y3 received this medal for massively improving in football.

Niamh from Y4, who won Player of the Match for her amazing shooting in her competitive club Wodson Park in a netball match on Thursday 5 May. I am really looking forward to Niamh joining the Ashtree netball team.



Freddie from Y1 has been so proud about his mangetout since bringing it home, he has watered it every day and even told me that mangetout means 'eat it all'.

Since bringing home a sunflower this evening we have re potted them into bigger pots, Freddie wanted to show these pictures to you. He's very proud and can't wait to watch them both grow big.





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## Dinner Behaviour Awards



The winners for this week are **Rainbows** (for behaving well when we had indoor play – good listening and tidying up) & **Class 12** (for playing together nicely and supporting each other).



## Attendance Cup



The winner for this week is **Class 3** with **98%**.

Monday 16 May	Tuesday 17 May	Wednesday 18 May	Thursday 19 May	Friday 20 May
<b>Menu 2</b>		Cheerleading 3.15pm-4.15pm		<b>Y6 Swimming Starts</b>  Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.30pm-4.15pm)
Monday 23 May	Tuesday 24 May	Wednesday 25 May	Thursday 26 May	Friday 27 May
<b>Queens Jubilee Menu</b>	<b>Menu 3</b>	Cheerleading 3.15pm-4.15pm	Non Uniform Day (Red, White & Blue) Netball Mixed League Home Match v Knebworth 3:45pm - 4:45	<b>INSET DAY</b> (School closed to pupils)
<div style="text-align: center;"> <span style="font-size: 1.2em; color: blue; font-weight: bold;">Queen's Jubilee Week</span> </div>				
Monday 30 May	Tuesday 31 May	Wednesday 1 June	Thursday 2 June	Friday 3 June
←		HALF-TERM		→

As part of the Queens Jubilee we are planning many activities for a week of celebration. This is a big historical event and a celebration which will most likely never happen again in your child's lifetime.

As part of the celebration we are hoping to decorate the school and its surrounding fields in red, white and blue bunting. But we need some help. If you have any clean OLD/ TATTY light coloured clothing or material that you are happy to give to us that would be great.

We are going to recycle the material and make bunting from it. This is a school wide project. Please just pass the material to your class teacher ASAP so we can cut it ready for the children to use in few weeks' time.



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## Stevenage Day Sunday 12 June 2022

Friends of Ashtree will be running a stall on Stevenage Day to represent our wonderful school and to raise some money by holding a tombola. It should be a fantastic day full of music, games and other interesting stalls.

On Thursday 26 May, there will be a non-uniform day in school as part of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations where the children can come to school wearing red, white and blue. We would like to ask the children to bring in something for the tombola. It can be anything, for example, some bubble bath, a tin of soup, sweets or a bottle of lemonade. We do ask that any food items are in date and that they are non-perishable. We are unable to take any alcoholic items. If any parents are able to contribute further, please do get in contact with me

## Stevenage Day Sunday 12 June - Please can you help....

We are in need of the loan of some table top display boards. If anyone could possibly lend us some, we would be most grateful. Please contact Mrs Livings in Y2 if you are able to help. Thank you.



## Term Dates Academic Year 2022 / 2023



### Summer Term 2022



- |                               |   |   |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| Friday 27 May                 | - | <b>INSET Day 5</b> - school closed to children  |
| Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June | - | Half Term <i>(including the Spring Bank Holiday and additional Bank Holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee)</i> |
| Monday 6 June                 | - | First day of term for pupils  |
| Friday 22 July                | - | 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

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|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| 24 October 2022 - 28 October 2022   | - | Half term holiday                              |
| 22 December 2022 - 4 January 2023   | - | Christmas holiday                              |
| 13 February 2023 - 17 February 2023 | - | Half term holiday                              |
| 3 April 2023 - 14 April 2023        | - | Easter holiday                                 |
| 29 May 2023 – 2 June 2023           | - | Half term holiday                              |
| 24 July 2023 - 31 August 2023       | - | Summer holiday                                 |
| Thursday 1 September 2022           | - | <b>INSET Day 1</b> - school closed to children |
| Friday 2 September 2022             | - | <b>INSET Day 2</b> - school closed to children |
| Friday 25 November 2022             | - | <b>INSET Day 3</b> - school closed to children |
| Monday 28 November 2022             | - | Occasional Day - school closed to children     |
| Monday 20 February 2023             | - | <b>INSET Day 4</b> - school closed to children |
| Friday 26 May 2023                  | - | <b>INSET Day 5</b> - school closed to children |