



ASHTREE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY



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NEWSLETTER 34

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to this week's newsletter

Nursery Admissions

Applying for a school Nursery place for 2019-2020 (For children born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016).

Admissions for Nursery are now dealt with by the school.

For all enquiries relating to children being admitted into our Nursery, please contact the school office 01438 351090.

Our Admissions Application Form for children starting Nursery in September 2019 can be downloaded from our website.

Our Nursery Admissions Policy is also on our website.

Applications for Nursery are now open – offers are made on a first come, first served basis. We offer 30 hours provision in Nursery as well as 15 hours. **We only have 7 places (afternoons) remaining for September 2019.**

Reception Places – September 2019

We have a few spaces available for Reception 2019 starters. Please let family or friends know and they can contact the school office on 01438 351090 or admin@ashtree.herts.sch.uk if they are interested.



Y1 Phonics Screening

Y1 children have made us all very proud of them this week and I know you will enjoy getting their results with the end of year reports. My thanks to Y1 staff for carrying out the screening professionally and making it stress free for the children.



Y5 Parents Kingswood Meeting for 2020

Parents of pupils currently in Y5 are invited to our 2019 Kingswood trip meeting which will be held at **6.00pm on Wednesday 26 June** in the Junior Hall. We have provisionally booked our **2020 visit from 7 - 12 June.**



Free School Meals for Children in Year 3 or older



Your child could get a free school meal if you receive any of the following:

- **Income Support**
- **Income-based Jobseekers Allowance**
- **Income-related Employment and Support Allowance**
- **Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999**
- **The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit**
- **Child Tax Credit** (as long as you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and you don't get more than **£16,190** a year)
- **Working Tax Credit run-on** (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- **Universal Credit** (with annual earned income of no more than **£7,400** after tax and not including any benefits you get).

Apply today if you receive any of these benefits. It takes **5 Minutes** and in most cases we can tell you straightaway if your child can get free meals at school.

Have your National Insurance number or Home Office number to hand when you apply.

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll remain eligible until 2022, or until they finish their current phase of schooling (primary or secondary), if that's after 2022.

If you are already registered for free school meals you will not need to reapply. Please refer to the separate sheet that has come out with this week's Newsletter.

KS2 MSA Vacancy

We have a full time vacancy in KS2 (6hrs 15mins per week 11.55am-1.10pm daily) term time only. Please contact the School Office for a Job Description and Application Form. Closing date is Monday 17 June 2019 with interviews to be held on the afternoon of Thursday 20 June 2019.

Open Evening – 4.00pm – 6.30pm - 1 July

As you know, our Open Evening is not just an opportunity to look around the school and see some of the work that has been taking place, but also to meet some of the support groups that are available to you as parents or the activities available to the children.

During our Open Evening we are holding our New to Year Group meetings. Therefore, between 4.00pm - 4.30pm and 6.00pm - 6.30pm please visit your child's new class to find out information about next year. I will be sending class information out in a separate letter on Tuesday 25 June. Please note for current Nursery parents we will be informing you of your Reception class teacher in the New to reception Meeting on Thursday 27 June at 3.30pm, if you are unable to attend this meeting we will post information to you.

Please note for New Nursery Parents/Carers and current Nursery moving to Reception, your chance to meet the teachers will be on Thursday 27 June, 3.30pm for Reception and 5.00pm for Nursery.



Friends of Ashtree Summer Fair – 28 June, 3.15pm-5.00pm



Please keep this afternoon in your diary. We will be having a non-uniform day for the pupils on the 28 June in return for an item for the tombola stall. The following stalls: tombola, Inflatable Slide & Castle, Raffle, Festival Glitter, Animal Encounter, Hook a Bag, Go Karts, Cakes, Usborne Books, Games and much more will be running.

Breakfast Club

An excellent asset to our school opening at 07.55am term time. Providing a nutritious, varied breakfast with table toys and supervised outside play. Pupils transferred to classrooms at 8.55am. **From September 2019 the cost per session will be £3.75 per child or £3.25 for siblings.**

There are several options with vouchers schemes for working parents or Child Tax Credits may be available to help with costs –please contact the School Office. Payment for Breakfast Club is in advance or pay on day. Please inform Breakfast Club if your child is booked in to a session but will not be attending or you may still be charged for the session.



Dinner Behaviour Awards



The winners for this week are Rainbows & Class 27.



Attendance Cup



The winner for this week is Class 14 with 100%



Effort Cup



Congratulations to Harrison from Year 3.

E. Kirwan

Academic Year 2018/2019



Diary Dates for Summer Term



Summer Term 2019:

Wednesday 19 June	-	Y3 Trip to St Albans Museum
Thursday 27 June	-	New to Reception/Nursery Parents/Carers Evenings
Friday 28 June	-	Summer Fayre 3.15-5.00pm
Monday 1 July	-	Open Evening
Thursday 4 July	-	EYFS / KS1 Visit to Whipsnade
Friday 5 July	-	Annual pupil reports to parents
Thursday 11 July	-	Y6 Transition Day
Friday 12 July	-	Family/Picnic & Lunchtime followed by afternoon Sports Day
Friday 19 July	-	Last day of term - finish at 2.15pm
Monday 22 July	-	INSET Day 4 - school closed to children
Tuesday 23 July	-	INSET Day 5 - school closed to children
Wednesday 24 July	-	Occasional Day - school closed to children

Academic Year 2019/2020 (next year)

Autumn Term 2019:

Monday 2 September	-	INSET Day 1 - school closed to children
Tuesday 3 September	-	INSET Day 2 - school closed to children
Wednesday 4 September	-	First day of term
Friday 25 October	-	INSET Day 3 - school closed to children
Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November	-	Half Term
Friday 20 December	-	Last day of term - finish at 2.15pm

Spring Term 2020:

Monday 6 January	-	First day of term
Monday 17 February – Friday 21 February	-	Half Term
Monday 24 February	-	INSET Day 4 - school closed to children
Friday 3 April	-	Last day of term - finish at 2.15pm
Monday 6 April – Friday 17 April	-	Half Term

Summer Term 2020:

Monday 20 April	-	First day of term
Friday 8 May	-	BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May	-	Half Term
Friday 17 July	-	Last day of term - finish at 2.15pm
Monday 20 July	-	INSET Day 5 - school closed to children
Tuesday 21 July	-	Occasional Day - school closed to children

Please ensure you do not book any family holidays during test times as they will be unauthorised.