



Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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NEWSLETTER 36

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Next half term our school value is **Celebrating Success**

Dear Parents & Carers,

I am writing the newsletter a day early this week because we are all going to be very busy preparing for the Summer Fair on Friday. There are going to be lots of activities if the piles of goodies that the PTA are bringing in is anything to go by. We will have things to eat, play, win and try out. Mayor of Stevenage, Councillor Mrs Margaret Notley will be opening the fair at 3:00pm and then Vincenzo will be performing to close the fair. In between all of that you may get to throw wet sponges at a teacher, TA or Headteacher!

This week I have met with a few local sports groups that are looking to hire out the school. This is definitely something that I would like to develop moving forward so if your group or club is looking for somewhere to meet please do get in contact.

The open evening next week already has a number of support groups and local opportunities and activities coming along. We have Citizens Advice, St Johns Ambulance, Beezee Bodies, Feed Up Warm Up, Brighter Days After School Clubs and the Library to mention just a few. There will also be the ever popular Hertfordshire Catering Ltd's tasters, where you can have a small taste of some of the lovely food that they cook for school dinners. So please do come and look around, current and potential future families all welcome.

This half term the value is 'Celebrating Success' and in assembly last week I spoke about the different kinds of success. That may be winning first place, getting the highest score, beating your own personal best or overcoming a fear or challenge that represents a success for you. With sports day coming up there are a lot of opportunities for sporting successes of all types. I am particularly pleased to see that you are still sending in your children's achievements from out of school to add to our newsletter and celebrate their successes.

This week we received our Platinum Jubilee books from the DfE. The books will be coming home this week, the DfE sent books for Reception through to Y6 but we had a few spare books and so those Nursery children that do not have a sibling in the school will also be receiving a book. Keep them safe and treasure them, I still have my coin that I was given for the Silver Jubilee when I was at school.

I hope that you all enjoy the fair on Friday and that the weather is good to us.

More than 240 children from 19 schools took part in Commonwealth Games Day at Stevenage's Fairlands Valley Park last Friday. This was an event organised by the Stevenage Sporting Futures Team. Children took part in a range of sports including aerobics, athletics, cycling, martial arts, football, golf, frisbee and water sports. Ashtree took a group of children who all behaved beautifully and enjoyed the day.

Maria Janes
Headteacher



Sports Day will take place on **Tuesday 12 July** between **12pm-3pm**. This is for pupils in Reception - Y6. Should there be inclement weather on this day, we have allocated Tuesday 19 July as a back-up date. Further details will be sent out regarding Sports Day after the May half-term.



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Outside Achievements:



Belle from Y3 has gained her 50 metres certificate this week and is now working hard on getting her 100 metres. Well done Belle.



Elouise from Y1 has achieved a gymnastics medal and 2 badges for her determination and for never giving up. Well done Elouise.

E-safety Update:

This is to make you aware of a couple of things that children are looking at online which have some inappropriate and at times frightening content. One of these is called Huggy Wuggy.

The link below contains information regarding one of the games that is being mentioned by some of the children. The game is called Poppy Playtime.

<https://oursaferschools.co.uk/2021/12/03/poppy-playtime-online-safety-review/>

Further e-safety information for parents can be found at:

<https://www.internetmatters.org>

Monday 4 July	Tuesday 5 July	Wednesday 6 July	Thursday 7 July	Friday 8 July
Menu 2		Cheerleading 3.15pm-4.15pm		Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.30pm-4.15pm)
Monday 11 July	Tuesday 12 July	Wednesday 13 July	Thursday 14 July	Friday 15 July
Menu 3	Sports Day 12pm-3pm	Nursery Sports Day 9.30am Cheerleading 3.15pm-4.15pm		Netball Training Years 5&6 (3.30pm-4.15pm) KS1 / KS2 Disco
Monday 18 July	Tuesday 19 July	Wednesday 20 July	Thursday 21 July	Friday 22 July
Menu 1				Last Day of Term 2.15pm Finish



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Term Dates Academic Year 2022 / 2023



Summer Term 2022



Friday 22 July

- Last day of term – **finish at 2.15pm**



Autumn Term 2022/2023



Thursday 1 September 2022

- **INSET Day 1** - school closed to children

Friday 2 September 2022

- **INSET Day 2** - school closed to children

Monday 5 September 2022

- First day of term for pupils

24 October 2022 - 28 October 2022

- Half term holiday

Friday 25 November 2022

- **INSET Day 3** - school closed to children

Monday 28 November 2022

- Occasional Day - school closed to children

21 December 2022

- Last day of term

22 December 2022 - 4 January 2023

- Christmas holiday

Thursday 5 January 2023

- First day of term for pupils

13 February 2023 - 17 February 2023

- Half term holiday

Monday 20 February 2023

- **INSET Day 4** - school closed to children

3 April 2023 - 14 April 2023

- Easter holiday

Friday 26 May 2023

- **INSET Day 5** - school closed to children

29 May 2023 – 2 June 2023

- Half term holiday

Friday 21 July 2023

- Last day of term

24 July 2023 - 31 August 2023

- Summer holiday