



Ashtree Primary School & Nursery



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NEWSLETTER: 5

DATE: Friday 6 October 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week I have visited Nursery. Whilst I was in there the children asked me what my favourite food was and invited me to sit in the kitchen area so that they could make me a 'pancake'. They talked to me about flipping the pancake and we had a try, they were much better than me because mine ended up on the floor. Then they told me all about how you need to tidy up and wash the dishes to have a clean kitchen. It was lovely to see how the children's vocabulary has been developed and extended by the Nursery team, the children were confident to talk to me and enjoyed showing me their cookery skills.

Thursday was our census day, and we enjoyed a themed menu for lunch. I sat with the children and asked them the best thing about having school lunches (mine is definitely the Wednesday roast dinner). They told me that 'The dinners are tasty and there is always a healthy choice' 'I like having a hot meal at lunch time' 'I like the puddings best', they also told me that their favourite foods were Mac and Cheese, pizza, burger, fish fingers and roast dinner.

Did you know that you can access free meals for you Reception Year 1 and Year 2 children and can apply for free school meals here : <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>

On the theme of food, the Year 6 children were making flat bread as a part of their Ancient Greek work in History. You can see how much they enjoyed sharing the finished product with their families here <https://www.facebook.com/AshtreeSchool> on our Facebook page.

The reception children that have been attending the Herts Catering Ltd cookery club have been hard at work making lemon shortbread. If you think you might like to try this, and your child is in Reception then speak to Miss Sinnott to find out if there are any spaces.

Mrs M Janes

The children in **Early Years** have been super lucky and received lots of lovely new books courtesy of our PTA! These books are based on 'Personal, Social and Emotional Development'. In Nursery we will be using these books to support Little Wandle 'Foundations for Reading'. In Reception we have already been reading these books to support our understanding of all the different feelings we might have, and how we can learn to regulate our emotions.



Boys Football Autumn Tournament



The Y5/6 boys football team played 2 out of 5 matches on a wet Monday afternoon. Unfortunately, they were halted from completing their remaining 3 matches by the weather. The tournament has now been rescheduled for Thursday 12 October 2023.

World Mental Health Day on 10 October 2023

Wear yellow to school and donate £1 to young minds. <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>



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Outside Achievements:



Ollie attended his first Swimming Gala on Saturday and Sunday for his Swimming Club and received 2 bronze medals. Well done Ollie!



Ruby in Reception was awarded Star of the Week at her Saturday Ballet class! We are very proud of Ruby for her fantastic achievement!



House Points - Special Mention:

Gracie (Falcons) for showing outstanding effort and concentration in Maths on Monday. She was learning about multiples of given times tables and how to find common multiples. She was so proud of the work that she produced, that she then completed additional work independently. **Awarded by Mrs. Walsh**

Tobias (Harriers) an on-the-spot house point for his polite manner. He needed to interrupt a meeting that I was having and was so polite to both me and the visitor. She was very impressed. **Awarded by Mrs Janes**

Teddy (Penguins) has received an immediate house point for showing care for the school community. Upon returning to the classroom from lunchtime, Teddy held the door open for all of his friends without being asked to. **Awarded by Mrs Holtom**

David (Eagles) has been awarded a house point for being proactive during our D&T session. When he realised that water from the taps had spilled onto the floor, he started to clean this without being asked. **Awarded by Hannah Allen**

Freddie (Eagles) has been awarded a house point for being proactive during our D&T session. When he realised that water from the taps had spilled onto the floor, he started to clean this without being asked. **Awarded by Hannah Allen**

Vicky (Eagles) has been awarded a house point this week for the pride she has taken in the classroom. She has gone above and beyond to make sure that it has been tidy by putting books away, helping tidy after D&T and always making sure her area looks neat. **Awarded by Hannah Allen**

Emmanuel (Buzzards) has shown a kind, caring and supportive attitude towards others in class this week. He has offered to help people with their work and without being asked to, worked with other children who needed a talk partner during a lesson this week. He is consistently polite to all in class, including adults and he is an asset to Ashtree School. **Awarded by Mr Allen**

Niyah (Buzzards) for showing pride in her work during History this week. Niyah worked hard to create her name using hieroglyphs. She showed real care and attention to detail to produce an excellent piece of work! **Awarded by Mr Allen**



Attendance Cup: The winner for this week is **Hawks** with **96.3%**



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You're Invited!

Autism in Schools Coffee Morning

When?

Wednesday
11th October

Where?

Ashtree
School

Time?

9-10am

Parent Carers of autistic children (both diagnosed and undiagnosed) are welcome.

No need to book!

Why not come along and find out more about:

- What Herts Parent Carer Involvement (HPCI) does in the Autism in Schools project.
- What that means for you as a Parent Carer.
- How it will help your child.
- Meet other Parents of autistic children and young people.

If you would like further information, please email info@hertsparentcarers.org.uk

We would like to welcome you to our
Nursery, Reception, and Key Stage One
classrooms for our

Open EVENING

WEDNESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2023

15:30- 17:00

Ashtree Primary School and Nursery, Chertsey Rise,
Stevenage. <https://ashtree.herts.sch.uk/>

Nursery Spaces available now: apply directly
with the school
Reception: Applications open 01 Nov 2023
and close 15 Jan 2024. Applications for a
Reception place can be made through the
following website:
[https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/school-admissions-and-transport.aspx](https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/school-admissions/school-admissions-and-transport.aspx)

Monday 9 October	Tuesday 10 October	Wednesday 11 October	Thursday 12 October	Friday 13 October
Menu 3 Premier Education Gymnastics Club Rec – Y6 After School Club Choir Years 5-6 1-1.25pm (Lunchtime) 12.30-1pm Warriorz Street Dance	GoShin Karate Club Y2-Y After School Club 1-1.25pm Recorder Club, Miss Hembra World Mental Health Day	Basketball Y1 – Y6 After School Club	SFC Football Y3 – Y6 Lunch Club Boys/Girls Football Training Y5 – Y6 (Mr Yates/Mr Allen) After School EYFS Cooking Club 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 3:30 to 4:30pm
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Monday 23 October	Tuesday 24 October	Wednesday 25 October	Thursday 26 October	Friday 27 October
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