



Ashfield Junior School

Inspiring our children to dream big, be extraordinary and change the world

10th July 2026

Headteacher's Message

It has been a busy and very hot week at school, and I would like to thank all of our pupils for the way they have coped with the high temperatures. They have shown great resilience and maturity throughout the week. Also a big thank you to staff for all of your support this week. As with previous periods of hot weather, we have made several adjustments to ensure everyone remains as comfortable as possible. These have included changes to lunchtime arrangements and PE activities, as well as making use of our air-conditioned classrooms and sharing these spaces wherever possible. This week also provided an exciting opportunity for children to visit their new classrooms and meet their teachers for next year. It was wonderful to see the children approaching these visits with such enthusiasm and confidence. I know that many of them are already looking forward to the new academic year. I was particularly pleased to hear that our Year 6 pupils had an excellent day visiting their new secondary schools. Transition days are an important milestone, and it is reassuring to know that they enjoyed the experience and are feeling positive about the next stage of their education. Next week is our final full week at Ashfield before the summer break, and there are still plenty of exciting activities to look forward to. I hope many of you will be able to join us for our **Open Evening**, which takes place from **5:00pm to 6:30pm**. It is always a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the children's achievements and see the fantastic work that has taken place throughout the year. I hope you all have a lovely weekend and, of course, let's hope **England can beat Norway in the quarter-finals!** Mr Dourado

Attendance Matters!

Our attendance for this week is **95.3%** which is below the Government target of **96.1%**.

Congratulations to **4V** who led the way as our Attendance Champions with a fantastic attendance of **97.9%** Well done!

A big well done to **4C** who are our Punctuality Champions.

Please help us by ensuring your child's arrival is prompt. The school gates open at 8:35am and close at 8:50am. If possible, please schedule doctors or dentists appointments after school.



A very happy birthday to: Carter (5C)

Writer of the Week!

This week, the following children were awarded a certificate for being the Writer of the Week! Children in Year 6 are split into groups therefore will be given a certificate by either teacher.

Year 3: Kayla (3AC) and Luca (3M)

Year 4: All of 4C and Hugo B (4V)

Year 5: Hady (5C) and Charlotte (5D)

Year 6: Iya (6K) and Jayda (6H)

House Points

It is always lovely to see so many children be awarded individual house points for excellent work or effort, modelling the school values or going above and beyond in the classroom.

Attenborough	-	104
Blackman	-	101
Fiennes	-	98
Storey	-	92

Well done to Attenborough

Achievement Assembly

The following children were given special mention for wonderful work or behaviour by their teachers this week. Children in Year 6 are split into groups therefore will be given a certificate by either teacher.

Year 3: Mia and Haasini (3AC) and Rory (3M)

Year 4: All 4C and Liya (4V)

Year 5: Benji (5C) and Leah (5D)

Year 6: Anele (6K) and Ayla (6H)

Special Achievements

It is always a pleasure to hear about children's achievements outside of school.

Congratulations to **Armina (3M)** who has achieved her white and yellow belt in computing (Code Ninja) and she also achieved her Level 8 in Gymnastics. Well done!

Congratulations to **Scarlett (3AC)** who took part in a charity colour run and raised £180 and received a medal for her achievement. Well done!

Congratulations to **Isla (4C)** who was awarded swimmer of the month for June at Bushey Amateur Swimming Club. She also took part in races against other members of the club and came 4th for breast stroke, 2nd for free style (front crawl) and 1st for back stroke all in the 10 years and under category. Well done!

End of Year Reports

The reports are scheduled to be sent out between 3:30pm and 7:30pm On **Friday 10th July**. We have staggered the times so that it does not crash the system! If you do not receive your child's report, please contact the school office.

Due to the delay to the KS2 results this will delay sending out Year 6 End of Year Reports. We will aim to get these sent to you on 20 July.

In addition to the reports, Year 4 children will receive the scores for the MTC on **Saturday 11th July**.

DSPL9 Parent & Carer Newsletter

NEW

Welcome to the DSPL9 newsletter. This provides families with all recent and current local SEND information. The newsletter will be published fortnightly. Please click on the link below to be re-directed to the newsletter.

[Newsletter](#)

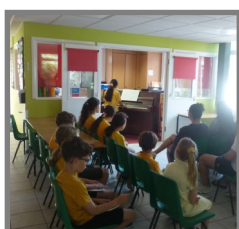
This can also be found on our [website](#)

Open Evening

Our end of year open evening will take place on **Tuesday 14th July** from **5:00pm** to **6:30pm**. This will give you an opportunity to visit your child's classroom and walk around the school to see the fantastic learning that the children have achieved throughout the year.

In the hall, there will be some musical performances from children that are learning musical instruments. You will also get the opportunity to meet teachers across the school.

Piano Recital



On Tuesday the children learning Piano with our fantastic Music Teacher, Mr Forcos showed off their skills and what they had learnt during the year to their parents in a Piano Recital performance.

Raring2Go

Please [CLICK HERE FOR THE LINK](#) to the Raring2Go Spring Magazine with lots of things for families to do!

Cater Link Art Competition



Congratulations to **Haasini (3AC)** on winning the Cater Link Art Competition, inspired by foodie landscapes! Her fantastic artwork is now proudly displayed in the dining room for everyone to enjoy. Well done!

Summer Reading Challenge 2026



This year's Summer Reading Challenge theme, Read to the Beat, the challenge celebrates the connection between storytelling and music, encouraging children to explore books about musicians, sound and musical journeys.

The Challenge launches at all Hertfordshire Libraries on Saturday 4th July, and runs until Saturday 5th September.

[Summer Reading Challenge 2026](#)

End of Term

Just a polite reminder that school will finish at **1:30pm** on **Tuesday 21st July** for the Summer Holidays. Children return to school for the Autumn term on **Wednesday 2nd September 2026**.

Absence Reporting

In order to maintain accurate attendance records please can we remind parents and carers that for Safeguarding reasons, absences from school should be reported **daily** to the school office with a reason for absence, **we unable to accept unwell as an acceptable reason.**

This can be done by ringing the school number 02089502350, choosing option 2 or your can email the school office by **9.10am everyday of your child is absent.**

admin@ashfield.herts.sch.uk

Water Bottles

As the weather gets warmer, please remember to send a water bottle (clearly labelled with your child's name) to school each day. Children will have the opportunity to refill if they need to and staff will be reminding them about the importance of remaining hydrated.

Please also make sure that the children have a hat for break and lunchtime in warm weather and sun cream is applied before school.

Playtime Trainers

Please make sure that your child comes into school with a pair of trainers that they can get changed into at playtime and lunchtime. If your child does not have a pair of trainers, they will not be allowed to go onto the school field or equipment.



The Elms Summer Holiday Camps

The Elms will be running a holiday camp during the Summer Holidays at Ashfield Junior School. For more information and to book a place please click on the link below.

Week 1: 27th July to 31st July

Week 2: 3rd August to 7th August

Week 3: 10th August to 14th August

Booking Hotline: 0208 954 8787

Book Online: <https://www.theelms.co.uk/>

Cater Link Accounts

If your child has school dinners please make sure you clear the arrears on their accounts as soon as possible.

If your child is in Year 6 and has a balance left on the Cater Link account this can be refunded or passed to a sibling in the same school. You will need to complete the online form ([CaterLink Ltd parent refund form](#)), so they have the necessary details to process the refund. If you do not have a Google account or want to sign into Google to submit this form, you can use [CaterLink Ltd parent refund form - No Upload](#). These will be processed as requested and refunded by BACS or transferred to a siblings account.

11+ After School Club - MTT

From September 2026, Year 5 children will be able to attend an after-school club run by MTT which provides tuition for Maths and Verbal Reasoning for the 11+ assessments. Further information and how to join this after school club can be found on our website

<https://ashfield.herts.sch.uk/parents/after-school-clubs/>

Further information about MTT can be found on their website

<https://www.mocktransfertest.co.uk/>

Handwriting Pens

Handwriting pens can be purchased from the school office at a cost of 3 for £1.00.

School Library and Class Reading Books

Could you please have a look at home to see if you have any of the school library or class reading books. If so, could you send them in to school when return in September.

Year 6 - 2026 Manor Adventure

The remaining balance is now available to pay on the School Gateway You have until the payment deadline of **29th January 2027** to make this payment. You can make the payment in full or gradual instalments.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

<https://login.schoolgateway.com/0/auth/login>.

What we will be learning next week

Year 3

English: We will be looking at calligrams and writing our own based on fruits and animals.

Maths: We will be continuing written multiplying with regrouping in the ones and the tens.

We will be improving our understanding of our timetables.

DT: We will be finishing sewing our cushions.

Year 4

English: We will be completing some quick writes.

Maths: We will look at co-ordinates and revisit quadrilaterals and triangles.

Science: We are finishing our work on circuits.

Year 5

English: We will be publishing our double-page non-chronological reports this week, and we will be incorporating our 'World In a Bottle' art work.

Maths: We will be calculating missing angles on a straight line and around a point.

Art: We will be creating a mini diorama based on our book 'The Boy in the Tower' as we learn about how to design and create a set in Art.

Year 6

English: Mr Hardy's Group will be writing poems reflecting on our time at Ashfield.

Mrs Kothary's Group will be writing their own fiction stories.

Maths: Mr Hardy's Group will be exploring real life Maths situations and calculations.

Mrs Kothary's Group will be translating 2D shapes in all 4 quadrants.

History: We will be exploring the role of women in WW2.

Art: We will be finishing our shadow puppets and performing our plays.

School Meals

Please see below the dinner menu for the week ahead. Please ensure that you keep your Caterlink account in credit. As a reminder; meals cost £3.41 each day and dinner money is payable in advance.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
RED	Macaroni Cheese	Phat Past Pork Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognaise	FishFingers with Chips and Tomato Sauce
GREEN	Chickpea Curry with Rice	Mild Mexican Chilli with Rice	Roasted Quorn, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Smokey Bean Burger with Potato Wedges and Tomato Sauce	Cheese and Bean Pasty with Chips and Tomato Sauce
BLUE	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling
All served with a selection of fresh vegetables, salad selection and desserts available daily.					

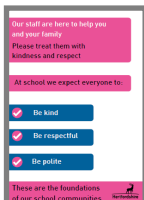
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[Amazon Wishlist](#)



Upcoming Events

Friday 10th July	Reports go home
Friday 17th July	Year 6 Picnic
Monday 20th July	Year 6 BBQ and Disco (4:30pm—6:30pm)
Tuesday 21st July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly (9:00am)
Tuesday 21st July	End of Term 1:30pm