



# Ashfield Junior School

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

14th June 2024

## Headteacher's Message

It has been a busy week at Ashfield. On Tuesday, we were visited by representatives of the King's Lieutenant who delivered an assembly about the monarchy and the Commonwealth Values. Our visitors led a workshop for Year 6 where they explored the Commonwealth Values in my detail. It was good to see children actively taking part and discussing the importance of values including: Democracy, Rule of Law, Gender Equality, Human Rights, Tolerance Respect and Understanding and Access to Health, Education and Shelter. It was good to see the children debating about the significance of these values. Also on Tuesday, Year 5 delivered an assembly showcasing what they have learnt from the Mini-Police Programme. They covered road safety, bullying, anti-social behaviour and internet safer. It was nice to see the children work cooperatively to deliver these themes. At the end of the assembly, PC Carter presented each child with a certificate for completing the Mini-Police Programme. [School Blog – Ashfield Junior School](#). It is the summer fair on Saturday and I look forward to seeing you all at Merry Hill Infants.

Mr Dourado

## Attendance Matters!

Our attendance for this week is **95.2%** which is below the Government target of **96.1%**.

Congratulations to **3AC** who led the way as our Attendance Champions with a fantastic attendance of **97.4%** Well done!

A big well done to **4M** 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.

## Special Achievements

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

Congratulations to **Yuna (5A)** who donated her hair to the Little Princess Trust. Her donation will make a real difference to children affected by hair loss. Well done!

Congratulations to **William (3L)** and **Finn (3L)** who won the under 8's West Herts Youth Cup Final for Bushey Rangers. Well done!

Congratulations to **Khushi (3L)** who has passed her Level 1 gymnastics. Well done!

Congratulations to **Jessica (3L)** who passed her Level 4 at gymnastics. Well done!

## 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	-	128
Blackman	-	142
<b>Fiennes</b>	-	<b>146</b>
Storey	-	129

**Well done to Fiennes**

## 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: River (3AC) and Matilda (3L)**

**Year 4: Ridley (4M) and Alex (4V)**

**Year 5: Hana and Yuna (5A) and Izzy (5D)**

**Year 6: Hamza (6H) and Benji (6K)**

## 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: Bella (3L) and Freddie (3AC)**

**Year 4: David (4M) and Tyaan (4V)**

**Year 5: Cecily and Theo (5A) and Bella (5D)**

**Year 6: Ebou (6K) and Molly (6H)**

## 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: 22nd July to 26th July**

**Week 2: 29th July to 2nd August**

**Week 3: 5th August to 9th August**

### Early Bird Deadline

Book and pay by the Early Bird deadline of **Friday 12th July 2024** to qualify for the reduced Early Bird price.

### Sibling Discount

1st child pays full price, subsequent siblings attending the same day(s), will receive a **20% discount** (telephone bookings only).

### NHS Discount

Please call The Elms to make your booking. Proof of your NHS ID will be required, to qualify for this discount.

**Booking Hotline:** 0208 8954 8787

**Book Online:** <https://www.theelms.co.uk/>  
<https://www.ashfield.herts.sch.uk/extra-curricular-activities/sports-clubs/>

## Year 4 French Café



On Thursday 7th and Friday 8th June, Year 4 had an opportunity to host their parents at a French Cafe. It was wonderful to hear the buzz among the parents as they ordered their drinks and pastries from the children. French was all around and the children were fully immersed in the culture. What an amazing set up by the Year 4 team with all the decorations to bring about the ambience!

## Sports Day

Our Sports Day will be held on the afternoon of **Thursday 20th June** on the school playing field. Parents are welcome to attend and the gates will open from 12.45pm. The events will start at 1:00pm. Should the weather be inclement that day we will make a decision to postpone by 11:00am and notify you via the school messaging system.

## ARE YOU A YOUNG CARER?



Do you care for a family member because.....

they have a mental or physical illness?

they struggle with alcohol?

they have a mental or physical disability?

they struggle with drugs?

Carers in Hertfordshire will help you by...



Listening



Supporting



Empowering



Building networks with other carers



Carers in Hertfordshire

Young Carers

Support for YOU



For more information, visit [www.carersinherts.org.uk/young-carers](http://www.carersinherts.org.uk/young-carers) or scan the QR code

"Having people listen and support me has got me through the hardest of times."

**SATURDAY 15TH JUNE 2024**  
**11AM - 2PM**

**Summer Fair**

**£1 ENTRY FOR ADULTS**

Bouncy Castle, Ice Cream Van, Firetruck, Live Brass Band, Raffle, Splat the Rat, Donut Competition, BBQ, Welly Wanging, Face Painting, Tattoos and much more!

**MERRY HILL INFANTS SCHOOL FIELD**

**ASHA** Friends of Merry Hill

Tokens on sale at the school gates week commencing 10th of June

## Year 5 Visit to The Tate Modern

As part of our Art curriculum, we have arranged an art appreciation visit to The Tate Modern on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June**. The children will have opportunity to explore the permanent collection displays and complete activities that encourage them to interact with different forms of art.

We will be leaving school promptly at 9.00am. Please ensure the children arrive by 8.35am. The children need to wear their PE uniform and trainers (no fashion hoodies and trainers please). They will need to bring a backpack with a packed lunch, a healthy snack and water.

## DSPL9 Parent and 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.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JT9Jo2LzZELjOBKd-voq9JOVXGZYeYk2/view>

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

## Class Photographs

We will be holding Class Photographs at Ashfield Junior School on **Wednesday 19th June**.

If your child has PE on a **Wednesday**, please send them into school in their school uniform with their PE kits in named bags on this occasion only.

## Caterlink School Meal Survey

Caterlink would love to hear your views on the catering service they provide at school. Your responses will help Caterlink to improve their service to provide quality, healthy and nutritious meals. The survey will close on 31st July.

Click the link or scan the QR code



<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CN9XYWJ>

## Year 6 Uniform - September 2024

Please note that the Year 6 uniform will be the same as the rest of School apart from a Year 6 tie which will be provided by ASHA at the Year 6 Tie Assembly in September.

## End of Term

Just a polite reminder that school will finish at **1:30pm** on **Friday 19th July** for the Summer Holidays. Children return to school for the Autumn term on **Tuesday 3rd September**.

## Caterlink School Meals - Price Increase

The School have just been informed that the cost of the school lunch will be increasing to £3.00 for each pupil meal from September 2024.

The reasons for the increase include an increase in food price over the last 12 months, food price inflation continuing to remain above the average rate of inflation and an increase to labour costs.

If you have any questions or queries on this, you will need to contact Caterlink directly

## Summer Dates:

There are lots of important dates and events happening in the Summer Term.

Saturday 15th June	-	Merry Hill & Ashfield Summer Fair (at Merry Hill)
Wednesday 19th June	-	Class Photos
Thursday 20th June	-	Sports Day (PM)
Monday 8th July	-	Years 3, 4 & 5 meet new teacher
Wednesday 10th July	-	Open Evening (5.00pm to 6.30pm)
Wednesday 10th July	-	Year 6 given leaver's hoodies and can start to wear on 11th July
Thursday 11th July	-	Year 6 Transition Day - Secondary School
Friday 12th July	-	Reports go home
Friday 12th July	-	Year 3 to visit Merry Hill Infants to watch the Year 2 performance
Monday 15th July	-	Year 6 BBQ and Disco (4.30pm—6.30pm)
Friday 19th July	-	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly for parents at 9.15am
Friday 19th July	-	Year 6 Leaver's Picnic (all children to bring packed lunch)
Friday 19th July	-	End of Term at 1.30pm

## Year 6 Visit to Bentley Priory Museum

Year 6 visited Bentley Priory Museum, the Headquarters of RAF Fighter Command during the Battle of Britain. They learnt how the Battle of Britain was fought and won, explored how radar was used to plot enemy raids and how RAF and WRAF personnel masterminded the defence of Britain.



## What we will be learning next week

### Year 3

**English:** We will continue our local study of Bushey.

**Maths:** We will continue working on division. Practising at home by reversing times tables (eg I know that 24 divided by 3 is 8 as I know that 8 x 3 is 24) would be very helpful.

**Science:** We will be exploring leaves in our plant topic.

### Year 4

**English:** We are going to start planning our persuasive writing, advertising the chosen destination.

**Maths:** We will continue working on long and short division.

**Geography:** We will be looking at the Earth's structure and the diagram of a volcano.

### Year 5

**English:** We are going to begin doing our reading and punctuation and grammar assessments.

**Maths:** We are going to be doing our arithmetic and 2 reasoning assessments.

**History:** We are going to be looking at Egyptian Gods and Goddesses

### Year 6

**English:** Mrs. Kothary's group will continue drafting and editing their non-chronological report, with a focus on formal language. Mr Hardy's Group will be continuing to write our reports on Sprites inspired by Spiderwick.

**Maths:** Mrs. Kothary's group will use their 2D shape knowledge to learn 3d shape properties. Mr Hardy's group will be continuing to explore a series of real life mathematical investigations.

**RE:** We will learn about the 4 Noble truths of Buddhism.

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

**Geography:** We will be creating maps of the school grounds.

## 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 £2.80 each day and dinner money is payable in advance.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>RED</b>	All Day Vegetarian Breakfast	Chicken Paella with Potato Bravas	Roast Gammon, New Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken Fajita with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips and Tomato Sauce
<b>GREEN</b>	Vegan Chilli with Rice	Veggie Meatballs with Potato Bravas	Parsnip and Sweet Potato Loaf with New Potatoes	Macaroni Cheese	Cheese and Bean Pasty with Chips and Tomato Sauce
<b>BLUE</b>	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings
<b>All served with a selection of fresh vegetables, salad selection and desserts available daily.</b>					

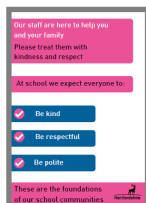
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## Upcoming Events

<b>Saturday 15th June</b>	<b>Summer Fair</b>
<b>Wednesday 19th June</b>	<b>Class Photographs</b>
<b>Wednesday 26th June</b>	<b>Year 5 Trip to The Tate Modern</b>