



Ashfield Junior School

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

20th December 2023

Governor Message

Dear Ashfield School Community,

I would like to thank you all the staff for their hard work and support over the course of 2023. It has been a busy but good year and it was nice to see all the hard work over the course of the last 18 months be recognised by Ofsted's visit in June 2023. Thank you to all the parents for their support of the school. It has been lovely to see you at the Winter Fair and other school events. Finally, thank you to the pupils. The governor's love coming into the school and having the opportunity to talk to you about your interests and learning. I would like to thank all the governors for their support of the school and their commitment with moving the school forward. We currently have one vacancy for a parent governor role at Ashfield. If you are interested in this role, please speak to Mr Dourado. More information on this will be given in January. On behalf of the Governing Body, I wish you all a happy Christmas and a happy New Year.

Mr Holt (Chair of Governors)

Attendance Matters!

Our attendance for this week is **92.6%** which is below the Government target of **96.1%**.

Congratulations to **3L** who led the way as our Attendance Champions with a fantastic attendance of **97.6%** Well done!

A big well done to **6H** 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 **Alice and Charlotte (4V)** who moved to **Level 6** in their swimming lessons, well done!

Congratulations to the following children who successfully performed a series of skills and techniques to pass thier Taijitsu grading. They received the following belts.

Yellow - Freddie (3AC)

Orange - Tyaan (4V), Darien, (3L) Sonny (3L), Hady (3AC), Charlotte (3AC), Stanley (3AC) and Carter (3L)

Red - Zayn (3AC)



Special End of Term Certificates

Teachers have presented our special end of term certificates to children in their class when represented our school values of respect, kindness, resilience and cooperation this term.

Respect: River (3AC), Zaynab (3L), Charlotte (4M), Harriet (4V), Cecily (5A), Mason (5D), Dana (6H) and Antonia (6K)

Resilience: Benji (3AC), Carter (3L), Bardley (4M), Reyan (4V), Theo (5A), Alina (5D), Georgie (6H) and Ebou (6K)

Cooperation: Hannah (3AC), Grace (3L), Swayam (4M), Lunan (4V), Mia (5A), Hollie (5D), Shraeya (6H) and Aaron (6K)

Kindness: Kena (3AC), Jessica (3L), Millie (4M), Blue (4V), Cassian (5A), Shray (5D), Zach (6H) and Esmae (6K)



A very Happy Birthday to: Grace (3L), George (6K), Jacob (6K), Evelyn (5D), Crina (3L), Leo (5D), Ebou (6K), Zach (3AC), Florence (5D), Rayan (3AC), Eva (5A), Finley (6H), Ridley (4M) Ali (6H) and Hollie (5D).

After School Chess Club

Congratulations to the following children for the Autumn Term Chess Club.

Monday Chess Club

Champion	Sean (4V)
1st Runner Up	Reyan (4V)
2nd Runner Up	Oscar (5A)

Wednesday Chess Club

Champion	Marcus (6K)
1st Runner Up	Rowan (5D)
2nd Runner Up	Eli (5A)

Reading at home

At Ashfield, we place an extremely high value on the importance of reading. Our mission is to instill a love of reading and story-telling in our pupils. Please continue to encourage your child to read over the holidays to family and friends and record this on BoomReader.

The Elms After School Clubs

Congratulations to the following children for the Autumn Term Sports Clubs.

Netball Club: Player of the Term

Maya (4V)

Penny (3AC)

Football Club: Player of the Term

Michael (6K)

William (3L)

Top Goal Scorer:

Noah (6H)

David (4M)

Tennis Club: Player of the Term

Tristan (3AC)

Colette (6K)

Spring Term will start on

Monday 8th January 2024 at 8.50am

Christmas Celebrations



Carols at Oakmoor Lodge

Some of our Year 6 pupils were invited to Oakmoor Lodge Care Home to sing some carols for the residents. It was lovely to see our children perform and some of the residents joining in with the carols. The children were excellent ambassadors for Ashfield and it was great to see them talk to the residents afterwards.



Road Closure

Cadent Gas Network is due to resume work on the gas pipes from 2nd January for approximate 3 weeks. In order for this to be completed safely there will need to be a road closure from Sparrows Herne to Linnet Close. Please plan your journey to avoid any disruptions to drop off and pick up times.

4V Swimming

4V will return to swimming on **Monday 8th January 2024**. Please remember to send your child to school with their swimming kit.

Below the remaining dates:

08/01/24, 15/01/24, 22/01/24, 29/01/24, 05/02/24, 12/02/24 and 26/02/24

Manor Adventure 2024

The remaining balance for the School Journey is now available to pay on the School Gateway. You have until the payment deadline of **Friday 26th January 2024** to make this payment. You can make the payment in full or in gradual instalments. If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

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

Thank you

A huge thank you from all the staff at Ashfield for the lovely gifts and cards received, the staff room has been full of wonderful treats for us to enjoy.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas

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
RED	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Pasta Salad	Burger (Beef & Bean or Vegan) with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken, Stuffing Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese with Garlic Bread	Fish Fingers with Chips and Tomato Sauce
GREEN	Vegetable Couscous		Veg Wellington, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Veggie Bolognese with Garlic Bread	Cheesy Bean Pasty with Chips and Tomato Sauce
BLUE	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

All served with a selection of fresh vegetables, salad selection and desserts available daily.

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Upcoming Events

Thursday 4th January	Occasional Day
Friday 5th January	Inset Day
Monday 8th January	Spring Term Starts