



Ashfield Junior School

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

5th July 2024

Headteacher's Message

I've received a complaint from one of our neighbours who lives on Police Station Lane about anti-social behaviour of some of our children when leaving school. The complainant knew that the children attend Ashfield by their school uniform and complained about the following: loitering around, noise level, litter and knocking on random doors and running away. Please can you speak to your child about walking home sensibly and to respecting our neighbours.

We do not have long before the end of the school year. On **Wednesday 10th July**, we have our annual open evening from 5:00pm to 6:30pm. You are all welcome into school to see your child's work, meet teachers and visit your child's new classroom. I look forward to seeing you all next week. Have a lovely weekend. Mr Dourado



A very happy birthday to: Theo (5A), Kena (3AC), Joseph (4V) and Vithuran (6K)

Attendance Matters!

Our attendance for this week is **94.8%** which is below the Government target of **96.1%**.

Congratulations to Year **3L** who led the way as our Attendance Champions with a fantastic attendance of **97.8%** Well done!

A big well done to Year **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.

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: Isaac (3AC) and Rose (3L)

Year 4: Leah, Amelia K, Maya & Alice (4V) and Farzam (4M)

Year 5: Ibrahim (5A) and Kai (5D)

Year 6: Ebou (6K) and Shraeya and Georgie (6H)

Special Achievements

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

Congratulations to **Chloe (5A)** who has passed her Grade 5 piano exam with distinction. Well done!

Congratulations to **Yuna (5A)** who has passed her Grade 4 piano exam with a merit. Well done!

Congratulations to **Khushi and Bella (3L)** who showed great community spirit by helping the environment and litter picking on their way home. Well done girls!

Congratulations to **Benji (3AC)** who was selected as the U8 player of the season by all of the coaches at Watford Advanced Player Development Centre. 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	-	112
Blackman	-	128
Fiennes	-	115
Storey	-	147

Well done to Storey

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: Zahra (3L) and Stanley and Kyle (3AC)

Year 4: Elijah (4M) and Alex (4V)

Year 5: Billie (5A) and Charlotte (5D)

Year 6: Virina (6H) and Mrs Hardy's Group

Class Photos

School Photographs are ready to view using the QR code on your proof card.

If you have already scanned the QR code on the proof card and registered you will receive an auto email notification. If you have not done it yet, you can still view by scanning the QR code on your proof card and following the instructions. If your proof card has been lost you can call Vancols Parent Line on 01206 273711, for class photos you will need the school number.

The website for to purchase class photos is

www.getphotos.co.uk

The online cut-off date for orders to be placed for free postage back to the school is **8th July 2024.**

DSPL9 Parent & Carer Newsletter

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/1NH71bj-dcH8Rn5ct1v46HcYOSpg3zbd0/view>

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

After School Club

After school clubs will finish on the following days for the Summer Term:-

Chess - Monday 15th and Wednesday 17th July

Art - Year 3 & 4 Wednesday 17th July and Year 5 & 6 Thursday 18th July

Jam Coding - Friday 12th July

Mock Transfer - (Year 5) - Thursday 11th July

The Elms:

Netball - Monday 15th July

Football - Tuesday 16th July

Tennis - Wednesday 17th July

Cricket - Thursday 18th July

Year 6 Events

Wednesday 10th July – Hoodies will be given out. Children can wear these in school alongside their school uniform from Thursday 11th July.

Monday 15th July – Year 6 BBQ and Disco from **4:30pm to 6:30pm**

Friday 19th July – Year 6 Leaver's Picnic. Please bring a packed lunch on this day so that all Year 6 children can enjoy their final lunch together.

Friday 19th July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly at **9.15am.**

4V Cornet Performance

This year, Class 4V have been learning the cornet with our fantastic music teacher, Ms Oliver. They would like to show off their skills and hold a performance for parents on **Tuesday 9th July at 11.00am.** The performance will be about 30 minutes long. If you are interested in attending, please enter the school at the lower gate from 10.50am where you will be escorted to the performance.

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Parent / Carer Motor Development Information Sessions

Places are now available to book on our Summer – Autumn Term 2024 information sessions for parents and carers

Supporting your child's motor skills development

When do children develop particular motor skills, such as riding a bicycle or using a pen? How can you help your child to develop these skills? What can you do if your child is struggling with a skill?

This session is for parents or carers of children aged between 4-8 years old who would like to understand more about their child's motor development and how to support this. The session will share information about the typical ages when children develop different motor skills. It will explain how to breakdown an activity such as pulling on a jumper into simple steps to help your child complete this independently. You will also get advice on activities and simple things you can do at home to support your child's motor development.

BOOK YOUR PLACE:

Mon 08th July 10:00 – 11:00 <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/772940986297>

Thurs 1st August 11:00 – 12:00 <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/772952661247>

Wed 11th September 10:00 – 11:00 <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/772962590917>

Tues 15th October 10:00 – 11:00 <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/772964165627>

Mon 25th November 11:00 – 12:00 <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/772967836607>

Thurs 5th December 10:00 – 11:00 <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/772973112387>

We are also offering parent information sessions on understanding sensory preferences and supporting self-regulation. To find out dates of these and other training opportunities please visit our CYP Therapies – Occupational Therapy Service webpage <https://www.hct.nhs.uk/our-services/childrens-occupational-therapy/>

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www.hct.nhs.uk

Innovative

Caring

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Children & Young People's Therapies Service

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Twitter: @CypHCT



Summer Reading Challenge 2024

From 1 July, children can visit a library to sign up for the free Summer Reading Challenge. The theme of this year's challenge is Marvellous Makers, which is all about creativity. It aims to fire up children's imaginations, unleash storytelling and inspire their own creativity through the power of reading.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Open Evening

Our end of year open evening will take place on **Wednesday 10th 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. We will also be joined by Caterlink who will have a few samples of food for you to try and will be on hand to answer any questions about school dinners. You will also get the opportunity to meet teachers across the school.

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

Booking Hotline: 0208 8954 8787

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

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**.

4M Swimming

Please note that **Monday 8th July** will be the last swimming session for 4M.

What we will be learning next week

Year 3

Maths: We will continue our unit on adding and subtracting amounts of money.

English: We will continue reading the story 'The Finger Eater'.

DT: We are busy making Maths Games to share with you at Open Evening!

Year 4

English: We are going to practise creative writing based on a picture using our Year 4 writing skills.

Maths: We are going to explore negative numbers.

RE: We will learn about how people show commitment in different religions.

Year 5

English: We will be linking our writing to our Ancient Egyptians topic and will write a set of instructions for the mummification process.

Maths: We will be learning about percentages of amounts and percentage/fraction/decimal equivalence.

Art: We will be using oil and chalk pastels to create a viewfinder picture of the solar system.

Year 6

Maths: Mrs. Kothary's group will look at 3D shape properties and explore some key vocabulary. Mr Hardy's group are continuing to explore real life problems.

English: Mrs. Kothary's group will reflect on their time at Ashfield school and start to plan a poem entitled 'Down Ashfield Memories Lane'. Mr Hardy's group will be continuing to write a field guide about trolls inspired by Spiderwich.

French: We will start exploring the traditions and cultural activities associated with Bastille Day

Geography: Year 6 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
RED	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
GREEN	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
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.					

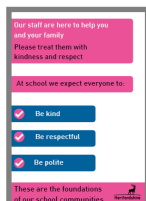
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<https://ashfield.herts.sch.uk/news-dates/school-blog/>



Upcoming Events

Monday 8th July	Years 3, 4 & 5 Meet New Teacher
Tuesday 9th July	4V Cornet Performance
Wednesday 10th July	Open Evening (5:00pm to 6:30pm)
Wednesday 10th July	Year 6 to receive leavers hoodies
Thursday 11th July	Year 6 Transition Day
Friday 12th July	Reports to go home
Monday 15th July	Year 6 BBQ & Disco (4:30pm to 6:30pm)
Friday 19th July	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly (9:15am)
Friday 19th July	Year 6 Leaver's Picnic
Friday 19th July	End of Term (1:30pm)