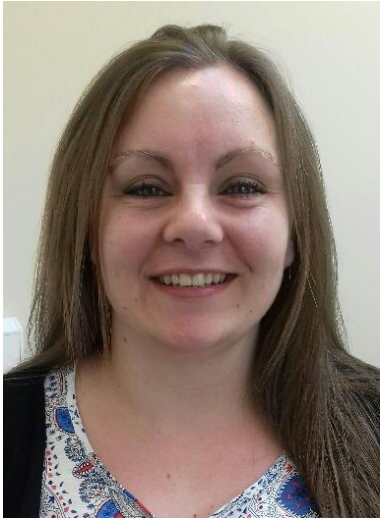
Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter
21st April 2017
Inspiring a love for lifelong learning

Welcome
We welcome Mrs Lauren Bullen to Ashford Park. Please call by and say 'Hello' as Lauren settles in to the busy life of our school office.



Mr David Rochester
We warmly welcome Mr David Rochester who will be joining APPS as the class teacher of Skylark Class. Mr Rochester is a very experienced teacher who will be working at our school throughout the summer term.

Mr Bloomer
We send a heartfelt thank you to Mr Bloomer, who will be leaving Ashford Park in a few weeks, to work in different educational settings around his home area. Thank you Mr Bloomer for all that you have achieved and in the words of one former pupil, 'Mr Bloomer, you inspired me.'

Mr Michael Johnson
We recently received notification from a legal company to advise us that a former head teacher of Hengrove Primary School, now known as Ashford Park, had kindly left a monetary legacy of £5,000.00. The gentleman concerned was Mr Michael Johnson. We greatly wish that Mr Johnson was still with us to thank him for this kind and generous gift, but it is so lovely that our school made such a positive and lasting impression with this former colleague, who was the head teacher between 1970 and 1978.

Toys
Please be aware that children should not bring any small toys into school e.g. spinners, lego and magnets etc., Thank you for your support.

Celebration assembly, ducklings and Marvellous Me!
Our children were introduced to two of our ducklings during our celebration assembly, to reflect upon all things MARVELLOUS! We hope that you are enjoying receiving your Marvellous Me messages, used to deliver only wonderful things about the children. Please remember to register, as it would be FANTASTIC for all of our parents/carers and grandparents to receive great news about learning, behaviour and values!

Science & Computing Inter-house Competition

Thank you for coming to support the Science and Computing Inter-house Competition, your support was greatly appreciated. For your information, Water won the competition, well done to Water house!

SST Music Festival

The Spelthorne Schools Together annual music festival took place just before half term. As usual, the children from APPS sang like angels and were wonderful role models for all.

Value of the month

Our value of the month for April is Self-Belief, as clearly demonstrated by Eggburt, our smallest of the duck family.

Elaine Brohoon Award Winners

Congratulations to Erin G and Millie C who won the Elaine Brohoon Award for this term.

Netball Match

On Wednesday 29th March the Netball team went to Matthew Arnold to compete in a range of netball tournaments. We were split into two groups – Team A and Team B. Team A came 5th and Team B came 9th out of 9 teams. Some of the best were Springfield and Laleham. Team A won three out of five matches and Team B won no matches sadly. We needed to be in fourth place, to go to the semis and second to get into the finals. Team A came fifth, we were one away from the semis. Even though we did not get through, we were still happy for the other teams for doing well. We were all sad that we have to leave netball this year. We are hoping that we can go to many more matches.

Annelise and Callum Year 6

It was my pleasure to take the Year 5 & 6's to the netball tournament. They really enjoyed it and their sportsmanship and behaviour was impeccable. I am very proud. We even had Charlotte and Tate step in and they had never played before!

Mrs Bailey

Street Dance Medals
Well done to Faye W for achieving two medals for Street Dance.

In March the children of Ashford Park Primary School have earned 364 badges for coming to school in a healthy way. The successful children have been given their badges in class and have been able to see how well they did on their classes Travel Tracker.
These are the Top 5 and we now have a Trophy to award the top class.

1st Owl
2nd Mole
3rd Kingfisher, Skylark and Kestrel
4th Fox and Osprey
5th Badger, Hedgehog, Woodpecker and Swift
The children need to arrive in school once a week in a healthy way and log this information in class to earn themselves a badge. Come on children we can beat that during March and earn a new badge!

Certificates
Well done to the following children who have received certificates this week:
Bethany H-D, Ryan C, Macy W, Oliver B, William B, Molly T, Millie B, Isabella D, Milly C and Charlie S.

Dates to Remember

April
27th Class photographs
27th Bikeability Level 1 (Year 5)
28th Pedals (Year 2)
28th PTA Toy and uniform sale pm, children to bring money into school

May
1st May Day Bank Holiday
5th Year 4 Assembly to parents
8th – 12th Year 6 SATs week
16th France 2017 Information Evening 3.30pm, in the hall or Kestrel class
22nd Year 6 RE Day
25th Acorn Centre Sleepover
26th PTA Inflatables Mufti Day (for Tombola)
26th Image Theatre
29th – 2nd June Half term

June
10th PTA Inflatable Day
12th – 16th Year 1 Phonics Screening
12th – 16th France Trip
20th, 22nd & 23rd Induction and story time for new EYFS
29th Sports Day
30th INSET Day