

Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter
24th February 2017
Inspiring a love for lifelong learning



Year 5 Celebration of learning

Thank you to our wonderful year 5 learners, who demonstrated their new learning to their parents and carers just before half term. After writing their own assembly, they sang to the stars and took us back in time with the song 'Greensleeves', apparently written by Henry VIII, after the 'death' of Anne Boleyn, one of his many wives!

100% Attendance awards

Congratulations to our children who achieved 100% attendance over the first half of this academic year.

The winners were presented with their 'Kindle' by Mrs Allen – deputy head teacher and Mrs Humphries – pupil welfare administrator.



Absence in school term time

Please be advised that additional leave in term time will not be authorised and absence of 5 days and more will be subject to a Surrey CC fixed penalty notice. If your child is of school age (the term after their 5th birthday), you have a statutory obligation as the parent, to ensure that your child is in school. 95% and above is the expected national attendance rate for all children of statutory school age and holiday should only be taken during the 13 weeks of school closure. Thank you for working in partnership with the school for the benefit of your child/ren, despite the ongoing frustrations re the costs of holidays taken during the school holiday dates.

Pupil behaviour

We have always been SO proud of the play behaviour that our

Battle of the Books Winners!

Some of our Year 2 children went to Laleham Primary School for the Gifted and Talented 'Battle of the Books' and **won the competition out of 21 Spelthorne schools!** Well done, we are very proud of you all.



children demonstrate during lunch and break times with all of the incredible opportunities that the children are provided with e.g. 'Scrap Store', Junior Play leaders, lunch clubs, football, rugby AND the list goes on. Recently however, we are becoming increasingly concerned by the physical aggression that some children are choosing to use during their 'play'. PLEASE can you work with us, to support the children in making the right behaviour choices. We fully appreciate that our school is a place for learning and that includes learning to become a caring person, yet fighting and aggression is **NOT** acceptable and will **NOT** be tolerated. **THANK YOU** for working in partnership with us.

Creative fun and play with Scrap Store



The children enjoyed playing with the play pod and created a new member of Ashford Park Primary School!

Year 6 and Year 2 SATS Meetings

There will be Year 6 and Year 2 SATs Meetings on Tuesday 14th March at 3.30pm and 6.00pm. Year 6 will be held in Kestrel class and Year 2 will be held in Swift class. Information will be shared on how you can support your child during SATs week. We look forward to seeing you there.

France Trip 2018 Information Evening

There will be meetings held on the France 2018 trip on Tuesday 28th February at 3.30pm and 6.00pm. These will be held in the hall and are for the current Years 4 & 5 children.



Dates for your diary

February

24th Year 1 Assembly to parents at 2.45pm
28th France 2018 Information Evening (Years 4 & 5) 3.30pm & 6.00pm in the hall

March

2nd World Book Day, MUFTI, children to dress up in pyjamas
10th Year 2 Assembly to parents at 2.45pm
14th Year 2 SATs Meeting 3.30pm & 6.00pm in Swift class
14th Year 6 SATs Meeting 3.30pm & 6.00pm in Kestrel class
24th Year 2 RE Day
24th Year 3 Assembly to parents at 2.45pm
29th & 30th Parent Consultation Evenings
31st Break up for Easter at 2.00pm

April

18th Children return to school
27th Bikeability Level 1 (Year 5)
27th Class photographs
28th Pedals (Year 2)
28th PTA Toy and uniform sale pm, children to bring money into school

May

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