

Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter
21st October 2022
Inspiring a love for lifelong learning



Half term holiday

This first half term of the academic year has truly flown by, in a whirlwind of laughter, fun, excitement and of course lots of learning! Have a restful half term and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 31st October 2022, when the gates open at 08:30 (**Happy Halloween!**)

Harvest generosity

Please accept our thanks for your kindness and generosity with your harvest donations. The organisers who will be distributing your donations, had to return several times as their cars were jam packed with the food that you had donated.

Year 4 celebration of learning assemblies

THANK YOU again year 4 for celebrating your half term learning, with such confidence and knowledge. We are SO PROUD of EACH and EVERYONE of YOU!

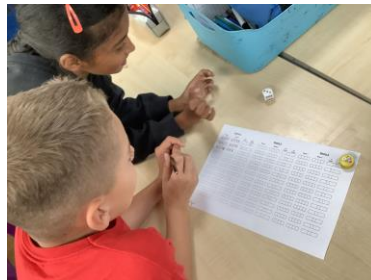
Is your child in year 6?

If so, you need to apply online for a secondary school place by **31st October 2022.**

If you live in Surrey, you can find out all you need to know about school admissions and apply online at

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/secondary/apply> or you can call on 0300 200 1004.

Maths investigations Year 5 Swallow Class:



"We took turns rolling some dice and the aim of the game was to get a higher 4-digit number than your opponent.



Whatever number you got, you place it in the same cell as your opponent if it is higher. If it is not, then you put it in a lower one." – Adwait



"You placed the highest number in the highest

column and the smallest number like 1 in the ones column." – Brooke

PTA Pumpkin Patch

A big thank you to Tesco Ashford for their donation of pumpkins for the PTA Pumpkin Patch.



The children enjoyed picking their own pumpkins and having their photo taken with our display.



Year 6 Football Match



On Friday 14th October, the Year 6 boys got their 2022/23 campaign off to a flying start with a 2-1

away win at St Ignatius Primary School. Jayden D, Logan T, Louie H, Simon J, Sam J, Ishaan S, William W and Tyler S (Capt) all put in spirited performances. Tyler opened up the scoring in the first half before William W put the boys in red two goals up. Solid defending by Logan and Louie, along with some dramatic saves from Jayden D, ensured a clean sheet up to the half time whistle. The hosts scored in the second half but Ashford Park held on to their lead until the end. Coach Josh, Miss Wall and Mr Casey (PE Lead) were bursting with pride and have chosen Louie as Man of the Match.

Easyfundraising

Ashford Park Primary School are now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment.

You can find our easyfundraising page at [https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ashford-](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ashford-park-primary-school/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_medium=email&utm_content=rm-gs-e1)

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Thank you for your support.

PTA Firework Display

The PTA popular annual Fireworks Display is back! Last year's event was dubbed 'Better than Kempton!' and this year we're going bigger and even better!

Join us from 4pm on 6th November to grab a burger or hotdog from our BBQ stall, and glass of fizz or Baileys hot chocolate from our new horsebox bar. There will also be games, yummy treats, glow toys, and neon face painting to keep the children entertained until blast off at 6pm.

Our professional fireworks display is provided by award winning Star Fireworks who have worked on numerous television shows including Big Brother, Children in Need, and This Morning.

Save time and money by purchasing your tickets online, and don't forget pre-schoolers go free!

<https://buytickets.at/ashfordparkprimaryschoolpta/780423>

Fireworks event volunteers needed!

The PTA will be hosting our popular annual Fireworks Display on Sunday 6th November.

These events can only take place with the support of the parents / carers and teachers of our school community. Please click on volunteer link

<https://volunteersignup.org/HWPLC> and consider volunteering an hour or two of your time to help ensure that this event is a huge success. If you have any questions please contact appspta@gmail.com
Thank you.

PTA Christmas cards – designed by children

You will today receive some information from the PTA regarding Christmas cards. The children are bringing them home to design over half term.

The PTA must have the pictures (with parents details on the reverse) **back in school by the 10th November** to give them time to collect and send back to the printing company by the 14th November.

PTA Pumpkin Competition

The PTA are running a Pumpkin Competition for Halloween and would love for all the children to join in. This event will be run through their Facebook Page. Please submit your photos under the correct Year Group post to be in with a chance to win. There will be one winner per year group. **The deadline is Monday 31st October.**

To find the Facebook page - Search 'Ashford Park Primary School PTA' on Facebook for the latest news and to get involved. (You will need to answer the questions to be accepted to the group).

Any questions, please contact the PTA directly by email appspta@gmail.com

Achievement

Maths Shed

Top class - Hedgehog & Skylark
Lexi LC and Monet P.

Spelling Shed

Top Class – Fox & Heron
Top spellers – Katie F and George S.

Pobble

The class Pobble authors for this week are:
Edward B, Catherine B, Ellie M, Zach H and Axel K.

Times Table Rockstars

Anish S, Ashwin S and Lily C.

MAC – Making Attendance Count
Whole School Attendance 96.5%

Congratulations to the Top Ted winners last week being Hedgehog Class with 99.3%.
Congratulations to the Top Dog winner being Swallow Class with 100%.
Fantastic!



INSET Days 2022/23

3rd January 2023
20th February 2023
3rd July 2023

Items in purple are recent additions to the calendar

October

21st – Last day of half term, children finish at normal time 3.15pm
24th – 28th Half term
31st – Children return to school

November

3rd – Individual photographs (no PE on this day)
4th – MUFTI Day for donation of chocolate for PTA chocolate tombola at Firework Display
6th – PTA Fireworks Display, gates open at 4.00pm, blast off at 6.00pm
7th – Inclusion / Attendance Officer school visit – register checks
8th – Year 4 Egyptian workshop
10th – Robin Class Assembly at 2.40pm (gates open at 2.30pm)
10th – New to EYFS Parent Tours 6.00-7.00pm
11th – Uniformed groups can wear their uniforms e.g. Cubs and Brownies
14th – Odd Socks Day
14th – Inclusion / Attendance Officer school visit, appointments with Parents of children who have low attendance
15th – Year 6 Height and Weight Checks

17th – Woodpecker Class Assembly at 2.40pm (gates open at 2.30pm)

17th – Year 2 & Year 6 SATs Information Evening in classrooms, 3.30 and 5.30pm

23rd – PTA AGM / Wine & Cheese at 6.00pm

24th – Owl Class Assembly at 2.40pm (gates open at 2.30pm)

24th & 25th Rec – Year 6 Nasal Flu Vaccinations

24th – Year 4 Stubbington residential trip (March 2023) provisional booking and parent meeting at 5.30pm in the hall

28th – 2nd Dec Scholastic Book Fair

28th – Year 3 Butser Farm trip

29th – Year 6 Lincolnsfield Centre trip

December

2nd – Acorn Celebration Morning, parents invited to share their children's learning

6th – PTA Xmas Parties: Reception 4.00-5.00pm, Year 1 5.15-6.15pm

7th – PTA Xmas Parties: Year 2 4.00-5.00pm, Year 3 5.15-6.15pm

7th – Reception Christmas songs for parents of children in Dormouse Class and first half of Otter Class with surnames starting with A – M at 9.45am

8th – Reception Christmas songs for parents of children in Rabbit Class and second half of Otter Class with surnames starting with N – Z at 9.45am

8th – PTA Xmas Parties: Year 4 4.00-5.00pm, Year 5 5.15-6.15pm, Year 6 6.30-7.30pm