

Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter  
27<sup>th</sup> January 2023  
*Inspiring a love for lifelong learning*



**Safeguarding hotspot**

Please find as part of this newsletter photographs to remind you as to who are our Designated Safeguarding and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads at APPS – Thank you.

**We are a nut and sesame free school**

Just a reminder that we are a nut free school, as we have children who have life threatening nut allergies.

Please do not send children in with packed lunches containing **sesame seeds**. Although sesame seeds are classified as seeds and not nuts, the proteins in sesame seeds may resemble proteins in certain nuts and **may trigger an allergic reaction in children who have a nut allergy**.

Thank you for your support.

**Parents Consultation Evenings – change of date**

The Parent Consultation Evening dates have been changed and are now being held on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February**, except Rabbit Class which will be on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

**Year 5 Learning**



The children carried out an investigation into the effects of air resistance on different objects.



They compared how flat paper and crumpled up paper fell to the ground.



The children discovered that an object that has a larger surface area will have more air resistance acting upon it, therefore, this will slow the object down on its descent towards Earth.



**Pupil sporting success**



We send our congratulations to Kalem T who was competing in a qualifying event for the British School Judo Championships, where he received a silver medal and a priority entry for the championship on 11-12<sup>th</sup> of March 2023!

**School run club bookings are changing**

Bookings for Ashford Park clubs will now be made

through Scopay on a first come first served basis, using your usual login. External clubs will not be affected e.g. Maw Cheer Dance and Chelsea Football Club.

Bookings for after half term will open at 5.00pm on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February and close on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 5.00pm or earlier if the club is full. Please note that payment needs to be made at the time of booking.

### Calpol

If you feel that your child needs Calpol during the school day, please bring a bottle into the office and complete a Pupil Medication Form, which is available on our website under News and Events / Forms.

### Scooters on the school site

Just a reminder that children **should not** ride scooters and bikes on the school site. This will ensure that children do not accidentally run into other children or adults. Thank you for our support.

### Maths Shed

Top class - Skylark  
Top Mathematicians:  
Monet P

### Spelling Shed

Top Class – Kingfisher  
Top spellers – Oliver G

### Pobble

The class Pobble authors for this week are:

Alicia J, Zach H, Azra B, Aarohi S, Samuel T, Inaaya K, Laura G, Olivia L, Maya K, Monet P, Bella F and Isla H.

### MAC – Making Attendance Count Whole School Attendance 95.3%

Congratulations to the Top Ted winners last week being Fox Class with 98%.  
Congratulations to the Top Dog winner being Swallow Class with 98.6%. Fantastic!



### INSET Days 2022/23

20<sup>th</sup> February 2023  
3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023

Items in purple are newly added or amended in calendar

### February

**2<sup>nd</sup>** – Squirrel Class Assembly at 2.40pm (gates open at 2.30pm)

**2<sup>nd</sup>** - EYFS Sharing our Learning at 2.30pm. Parents enter through Station Crescent gate.

**6<sup>th</sup>** – Year 1 trip to Bocketts Farm

**6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>** – Parents Consultations in classrooms

**6<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>** – Rabbit Class Parent Consultations

**8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>** – Year 5 trip to Farnham Museum

**8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>** – Year 4 residential trip to Stubbington

**10<sup>th</sup>** – Last day of half term, children finish at normal time 3.15pm

**13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>** Half term

**20<sup>th</sup>** – INSET Day

### March

**1<sup>st</sup>** – Reception trip to the Lookout Centre

**2<sup>nd</sup>** – World Book Day

**2<sup>nd</sup>** – Year 4 trip to Watts Gallery Moorhen Class

**3<sup>rd</sup>** – Year 2 trip to Windsor Castle

**7<sup>th</sup>** – Year 5 & 6 workshops, The Railway Children by M & M Productions

**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>** – Reception height and weight checks

**10<sup>th</sup>** – KS2 Sharing our Learning at 2.45pm. Parents to enter via Station Crescent gate

**15<sup>th</sup>** – Year 4 trip to Watts Gallery Heron Class

**16<sup>th</sup>** – Year 4 trip to Watts Gallery Kingfisher Class

**16<sup>th</sup>** – Fox Class Assembly at 2.40pm (gates open at 2.30pm)

**20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>** Scholastic Book Fair in the school hall, 3.15-4.15pm

**23<sup>rd</sup>** – Mole Class Assembly at 2.40pm (gates open at 2.30pm)

**23<sup>rd</sup>** - Year 2 & Year 6 SATs Information Evening in classrooms, 3.30 and 5.30pm

**24<sup>th</sup>** – Acorn Celebration Morning, parents invited to share their children's learning 9.00-10.15am

**30<sup>th</sup>** – Badger Class Assembly at 2.40pm (gates open at 2.30pm)