# Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023

### Inspiring a love for lifelong learning



#### **Safeguarding hotspot**

Safeguarding at Ashford Park Primary School is paramount. For advice and guidance on how to keep your child safe, including online safety and advice on how to children who support may have experienced Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), please visit our school Ashford Park website Primary School - Keeping your children safe (ashfordpark.surrey.sch.uk)

### **KOOSA Kids Ofsted** report

We send our congratulations to the KOOSA Kids team for the outcome of their recent Ofsted inspection in April 2023:

'Children immediately engage in conversation with staff, who actively listen and show an interest in what they have to say.'

'The site supervisor and his staff team genuinely care for all children who attend the club. They ensure children have meaningful social experiences every day.' 'Children have plenty of opportunities to be active. They delight in using climbing apparatus on the school grounds,

and enjoy outdoor sports and games.'

### Year 4 Art Project – Forest Retreat



The children in Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed our art project — 'Rainforest Retreat' that we carried out over a number of weeks.



Our children worked with practising artists from 'Paintbox' and their class teachers to explore a range of art materials and techniques.



This built the children's creative confidence, resilience and well-being. This also improved their

visual arts knowledge and skills to enrich their learning.



Our corridors were transformed into a wonderful **Amazon** Rainforest: full of dragonflies, beetles, bumblebees, birds and The display leaves. everyone's attracted attention and certainly spread joy across our year groups.

Friends and families were invited to а private viewing of our in-school exhibition, which was a well-deserved celebration of the whole project. The turnout was absolutely sensational and that made us all very proud. The corridor and masterpieces still are available for those who would like to pay a visit.

*"Be unique, be you."* Laila C

"It's never too late to turn it around." Oliver G

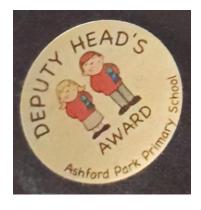
"Mistakes can sometimes lead to greatest masterpieces." Anika J

### Hard work from Matilda-Jo!

Matilda-Jo A has been nominated by her class teacher, Miss Zahorska, to receive a special reward from Mrs Allen.



This is for Matilda's fantastic behaviour for learning in all subjects and for her extremely hard work in all areas.



Well done Matilda, for being an excellent ambassador of our school!

## **Celebrating Collaboration**

Please find a newly uploaded video which

celebrates our APPS collaboration over time:

<u>Ashford Park Primary School - Excellence Through Collaboration (ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk)</u>

#### **Medical appointments**

Please provide medical evidence for dentist and doctors appointments.

Please arrange appointments outside of school hours whenever possible.

### School meal cost increase

Please note that with effect from September the price of a school meal will increase to £13.50 a week / 2.70 a day.

#### Pyjamas / MUFTI Day

Children are invited to wear their pyjamas on the 21st July, although clothes normal MUFTI can also be worn. If pyjamas are please ensure that they are 'decent' and robust enough for the school day. Please do not buy **Pyjamas** as normal MUFTI can be worn.

## Free Online Guides for Families in Surrey

Bringing up children is a lot of fun but can also have its challenges and understanding your child's emotional development can help to support your relationship

and your child's behaviour.

Families living in Surrey can get access to FREE online guides that include top tips from childcare, education and NHS health experts.

- Understanding your pregnancy, labour, birth and your baby
- Understanding your baby
- Understanding your child 0-19 years
- Understanding your teenager's brain
- Understanding your brain (for teenagers only!)
- Understanding your child with additional needs

The guides are available in other languages including Urdu, Chinese and Polish.

Register for free using the code 'ACORN' by visiting the Children and Family Health Surrey website: www.childrensh ealthsurrey.nhs.uk/servic es/free-online-guidesfamilies

#### **Smoking and vaping**

We are a no smoking site - please note that this applies to vaping too. Thank you for your support.



#### **Maths Shed**

Top class - Squirrel & Skylark
Top Mathematicians: Saharsh Y & Thomas W

#### **Spelling Shed**

Top Class – Hedgehog & Skylark
Top spellers – Colin C & Vihaan S

#### **Pobble**

The class Pobble authors for this week are:
Jacob E, Lamiah N,
Anisha S, Isobel C,
Loughlin H, Keeva H,
Kayode O, Andriani K &
Albie E.

#### **Star Writers KS1**

Lilah R, Olivia D, Nimardeep K, Amra Z, Venpa N & Jack G.

#### MAC – Making Attendance Count

### Whole School Attendance 93.1%

Congratulations to the Top Ted winners last week being Fox Class with 96%.
Congratulations to the Top Dog winner being Moorhen Class with 98.1%. Fantastic!



#### **INSET Days 2023/24**

1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Items in purple are newly added to the calendar

#### July

**11**<sup>th</sup> – Meet the teacher / Move up morning for children (exc Year 5)

### 14<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Performances to Parents:

9.30am (gate opens 9.15am) Kestrel Class and Red Kite children with surnames A-L.

1.45pm (gate opens 1.30am) Osprey Class and Red Kite children with surnames M-Z.

**14**<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Leavers Disco, 4.30 – 6.00pm, on the field, weather permitting

**17**<sup>th</sup> – End of Reception Celebration Assembly in the hall at 2.30pm. Children can leave with parents, siblings to be collected at the usual time / gates

**19<sup>th</sup>** – Celebration Afternoon in classrooms 4.30 – 6.00pm

**19**<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Cake Sale after school

**21**<sup>st</sup> – Pyjamas MUFTI Day, £1 or donation of new pyjamas appreciated **21**<sup>st</sup> – Children break up at 2.00pm

**24**<sup>th</sup> – **31**<sup>st</sup> **Aug** Summer holidays

#### September

**1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> -** INSET Days **5<sup>th</sup>** – Children return to school

**5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>** New to EYFS classroom visits

**12**<sup>th</sup> – New to EYFS summer born children start

**13<sup>th</sup>** – New to EYFS spring born children start **14<sup>th</sup>** – New to EYFS autumn born children start

#### **October**

6<sup>th</sup> – PTA Quiz Night 20<sup>th</sup> – Last day of half term, children finish at normal time 3.15pm 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> Half term 30<sup>th</sup> - INSET Day 31<sup>st</sup> - Children return to school

#### November

9<sup>th</sup> — Year 4 Mr Egypt workshop in the hall 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> — Whole school flu vaccinations 16<sup>th</sup> — Parents Information Evening for 2024 Stubbington residential trip 3.30 & 5.30pm 15<sup>th</sup> — 17<sup>th</sup> — Year 3 First Feet Training (Road Safety) — optional for

#### **December**

parents to sign up

**15**<sup>th</sup> – Children break up at 2.00pm **18**<sup>th</sup> – **1**<sup>st</sup> **Jan** – Christmas holidays

#### January

**2<sup>nd</sup>** - INSET Day **3<sup>rd</sup>** - Children return to school