

Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter  
21<sup>st</sup> July 2023  
*Inspiring a love for lifelong learning*



It truly doesn't seem possible that this academic year has now come to an end, and we send our very best wishes and thanks to our APPS community.

Thank you to our parents/carers for working in active partnership with us over the year and we wish you, your children and your family a lovely summer.

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

**Sending good wishes to...**

We send our warmest wishes to our truly wonderful year 6 children, as they transition to secondary school with all of the excitement and life experiences that this next stage of the learning journey will provide.

Children, you have been phenomenal role models and we thank you for all the positions of responsibility that you have held to support the children of APPS. This includes our Head Girls Sophia S and Inaaya K, Head Boys Jayden T and Adam F and our phenomenal Friendly Faces, Prefects, Sports Leaders and House Captains.



**Mrs Sarah Tarrant**

Our head teacher for the last 14 years, Mrs Tarrant, has been thoroughly spoilt by the staff, children and our school community and will be leaving APPS with a happy heart and wonderful memories of this great school.



At APPS we LOVE reading, and Mrs Tarrant has commissioned a beautiful mosaic to the SUPERSTARS of APPS!



**Welcome to our new staff**

In September we will be welcoming Mr Boulton, our new head teacher, Miss Rahman (teaching in year 2), Miss Hernandez (teaching in year 3), Miss Nugent (SEND Teacher & Life Skills Coordinator) and Mr Pandya (Site Manager). Miss Pop, Miss Tag, Miss Lester, Miss Cefai, Miss Noorzai, Miss Joshi, Miss Cullen, Mrs Burberry, Miss Lodge, Mrs Dunham and Miss Richardson will be our new LSAs for the autumn term. We will also be welcoming our new LSA Apprentices, Mr Manly, Mr Adaway and Miss Vanrell. We send our congratulations to Mrs Norman, who will be training to become a teacher in year 2.

We are sorry to say goodbye to several members of valued staff, as mentioned in the recent letter, but we wish them all the very best in their new ventures.

**The Elaine Brohoon Star of Hope Award**

We are delighted to announce the recipients of

the year's Elaine Brohoon Star of Hope Award. Both of these children have embraced our school values making them great models. Their resilience, aspirations and compassion truly shine through. Congratulations to Aiza C in KS1 and Sophie J in KS2. Well done to you both. You have both worked hard showing positivity and kindness.



### District Sports

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July, 42 children across KS2 represented Ashford Park at the District Sports event. Seven schools from across Spelthorne competed throughout the afternoon in a range of different events to earn points for their school. Overall, we came 4<sup>th</sup> in our league, with

Andriani winning her Year 3 throwing event. Well done to all the children that competed, we are extremely proud of you.



### Sky Up

On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July, a group of children across year 4 and 5 visited the Sky Studios in Osterley. We were taken on a tour of the studios, and experienced the new technology Sky is currently developing. We also wrote a script for our very own news report centred around being Environmental Champions. The final news report video will be on the school website shortly for all of you to watch. Well done – you demonstrated excellent confidence and creativity.

### Clubs for September

Details for the new clubs starting in September will be sent out over the next couple of weeks. Please keep an eye on your emails in order to book.

### Lost property

Please check the lost property box in the playground to claim any lost items.

Any items left unclaimed, will unfortunately need to be disposed of.

### MMR Vaccinations

Please find attached leaflet regarding the MMR vaccinations.

### Flu vaccinations

Flu vaccinations for the whole school are booked for 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> November. Please find attached flyer for more information.

### PTA

Thank you to the PTA for organising and running our Year 6 Leaver's Disco. Our children had a fun-filled evening due to the organisational commitment of our PTA. Thank you also to our staff for helping to make this evening full of fun!

## Achievement

### Maths Shed

Top class - Squirrel & Skylark  
Top mathematicians:  
Amelia A & Asa A

### Spelling Shed

Top Class – Mole & Swallow  
Top spellers – Rian P & Maya K

### MAC – Making Attendance Count

**Whole School Attendance**  
**94.5%**

Congratulations to the Top Ted winners last week being Otter Class with 96%.

Congratulations to the Top Dog winner being Red Kite Class with 99.6%. Fantastic!

### Dates to remember

### INSET Days 2023/24

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

### September

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