### Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023 *Inspiring a love for lifelong learning*

**Safeguarding hotspot** We are still receiving complaints from local residents about parents / carers blocking their drives.

Please park considerately and do not block driveways.

Thank you for your support.

# School photograph deadline

The deadline for ordering school photographs is Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023. Details of how to order online are on the photograph pack.

### **Children in Need**

A huge thank you to the Ashford Park community for raising an amazing £1100 for Children In Need.



The children smashed the 'Bearpees' challenge, with achieving classes an 46511 awesome 'Bearpees'. During last Friday's assembly а number children of showcased their 'Bearpees', alongside with Mrs Stride-Noble and Mrs Hawkins.



We talked about how our support links to our APPS including: values the sense of BELONGING and the important part we play in helping others, COMPASSION - a desire to help someone and RESILIENCE – the ability to challenge with ourselves the 'Bearpee' exercises.

Bearpees Clallenge Results		
Year group	Class	
Reception	Dormouse	1438
Reception	Otter	1435
Reception	Rabbit	1621
Year 1	Badger	436
Year 1	Fox	452
Year 1	Mole	453
Year 2	Deer	1084
Year 2	Hedgehog	1052
Year 2	Squirrel	1105
Year 3	Owl	912
Year 3	Robin	1268
Year 3	Woodpecker	5335
Year 4	Heron	1690
Year 4	Kingfisher	1882
Year 4	Moorhen	1206
Year 5	Skylark	1981
Year 5	Swallow	2294
Year 5	Swift	4800
Year 6	Kestrel	5415
Year 6	Osprey	4697
Year 6	Red Kite	5955
	School total	46511

Our vision and values at Ashford Park, align with Children in Need – We believe that every child should have the chance to thrive and be the best they can be. Thank you all for your generosity, helping to make sure that children have the childhood they deserve.

### **Sports Crew**



We had to apply to become members of the Sports Crew. Some of us wrote letters of application, a couple of us recorded videos.



Others wrote newspaper reports and information leaflets about how to keep fit and healthy. Some of us created fact-files and posters to encourage others to live healthy lifestyles, to keep happy and healthy bodies and minds.





We were then selected to take part in the Sports Crew training run by Surrey Active at The Royal Holloway University - it was such an amazing building with incredible sports activities.



The training was great fun. We learnt how to lead activities with groups of pupils across the primary age range and discussed the values of trust and honesty, which fit really well with our APPS values.



We were awarded the Sports Crew Bronze Award and received Sports Crew t-shirts, badges certificates and which we wear with pride.



Following our training, we led assemblies to KS1 and KS2 explaining our role as a Sports Crew.

We are now leading lunchtime activities and we are planning how to achieve the Silver Award.

#### **Acorn Centre learning**



The children in the Acorn centre have been reading the book Rosie Revere Engineer and have created amazing booklets on how to make a plane.



The children looked at non-fiction books to learn about planes and then used this to make their booklet. They also designed and made their own planes using different materials.

### Year 5 fantastic home learning

Well done to Sophia C, Megan W and Jack E for their fantastic home learning linked to our Tudors project.









### MAC – Making Attendance Count Whole School Attendance 93.5%

Congratulations to the Top Ted winners last week being Squirrel Class with 96%. Congratulations to the Top Dog winner being Swallow Class with 98.3% Fantastic!

#### **Star writers**

Leo M and Logan L.



### **INSET Days 2023/24** 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024

19<sup>th</sup> February 2024

### November

24<sup>th</sup> – PTA Christmas Fair
5.00-8.00pm, in the hall
27<sup>th</sup> – Year 2 Great Fire of
London Theatre Production
28<sup>th</sup> - Year 6 LincoInsfield
trip

## **30<sup>th</sup>** – Year 1 walk to Salvation Army

#### December

**5<sup>th</sup>** – PTA Christmas Discos 2.00 - 3.00 Acorn, 3.30 – 4.30 Year 1, 4.45 - 5.45 Year 3, 6.00 – 7.00 Year 5 **6<sup>th</sup>** - PTA Christmas Discos 2.00 - 3.00 Reception, 3.30 – 4.30 Year 2, 4.45 - 5.45 Year 4, 6.00 – 7.00 Year 6 Year Reception to Year 2 can come to school dressed in their party clothes

6<sup>th</sup> – 9.45am Reception Christmas Sonas for children parents of in Dormouse and first half of Otter Class 7<sup>th</sup> – 9.45am Reception Christmas Songs for parents of children in Rabbit Class and second half of Otter Class **8<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas dinner day and Christmas jumper day - £1 donation for Save the Children appreciated **11<sup>th</sup>** – PTA Peter Pan in Pantomime trip

KS1 Nativity to parents at 9.45am: **13<sup>th</sup>** – Badger & Deer parents **14<sup>th</sup>** – Fox & Hedgehog parents **15<sup>th</sup>** – Mole & Squirrel parents

**14**<sup>th</sup> – KS2 Choir Concert at 3.30pm accompanied by refreshments. No additional KS2 performances. If any KS2 child chooses to perform, they can attend Choir Club which is free, on a Friday

**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 3rd - Children return to school 4<sup>th</sup> – Year 1 Chertsey Museum Toy Workshop **9<sup>th</sup>** - New to EYFS Parent Tours 9.30 -10.30am 18<sup>th</sup> - Moorhen Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm. 25<sup>th</sup> Heron -Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm. 30<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Stubbington 2024 (current Year 4 children) Information Evening 5.30pm in the hall

### February

1<sup>st</sup> - Kingfisher Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.
12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> Half term
19<sup>th</sup> - INSET Day
20<sup>th</sup> - Children return to school

### March

**7**<sup>th</sup> - Fox Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> –** Year 4 Bikeability

**14<sup>th</sup>** - Mole Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

**20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> –** Year 4 Stubbington residential trip **21<sup>st</sup>** - Badger Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

**28**<sup>th</sup> – Children break up at 2.00pm **29**<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday

### April

**1**<sup>st</sup> – Easter Monday **2nd** – **12**<sup>th</sup> April Easter holidays