

Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter
8th December 2023
Inspiring a love for lifelong learning



We are an anti-idling school



We have had complaints about parents / carers parking in the local streets and leaving their cars idling for half an hour.

We are an anti-idling school, please do not leave your cars idling and help us to keep the air surrounding the school clean and healthy.

Thank you for your support.

Christmas cards

The Class Teachers are receiving requests for lists of children's names in order to write Christmas cards.

To facilitate this, we will provide a list when requested of **first names only**. If you are not happy for this to happen, please let the Class Teacher know and they will exclude your child's name from the list.

Website information

Please visit our website for information about what your child is learning and how to support them. The website is kept up-to-date with news and

calendar dates for your reference: <https://www.ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk/>

Year 6 Lincolnsfield experience



Year 6 had a great learning experience at the Lincolnsfield Centre.

They met a lady called Lesley who was an evacuee.

This was an incredible experience, Lesley was very kind and ought to be a teacher. Lesley was a WW2 evacuee, at the age of 8 she had separated from her family for 18 months. Lesley got sent to a family with a girl her age. Her father was an artist and her mother was a housewife. Lesley didn't really get to experience being in an anderson shelter but when she did she was there for a whole evening. Thank you Lesley. By Sohraab.

Clubs

The deadline for requesting a place in clubs is Thursday 14th December.

Places will be confirmed by Wednesday 20th December for school run clubs.

PTA Christmas Parties

This week the PTA hosted 8 Christmas Parties with Crazy Hazy! Due to a successful year of fundraising we were able to offer these parties free of charge. 500 children attended and had lots of fun! We would like to thank all of the wonderful Parent and Teacher volunteers for giving up their time, and the amazing office staff who support these events.

Ashford Park would like to send a huge thank you to the PTA for all their organising and hard work.

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 at the end of term – Friday 15th December.

Do you have any spare time to drive our mini-bus?

We are looking for volunteers to drive our mini-bus.

Full training will be given. Please contact the school office if you or someone else you know is interested.

Primary school admission applications

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020 they will be due to start school at either an infant or primary school in September 2024.

You can apply for a place at a primary, infant or junior school from 30 October 2023.

If your child was born after 31 August 2020, you should start considering which schools you want to apply for at the beginning of the school year in which your child turns four. **The annual closing date for applications is 15 January.**

For more information and to apply online, please visit:

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/primary-junior-and-infant/apply>

Achievement

MAC – Making Attendance Count
Whole School Attendance 92.5%

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

Congratulations to the Top Dog winner being Woodpecker Class with 97.7% Fantastic!

Star writers

Grace B



INSET Days 2023/24

2nd January 2024

19th February 2024

December

11th – PTA Peter Pan in Pantomime trip

KS1 Nativity to parents at 9.45am:

13th – Badger & Deer parents

14th – Fox & Hedgehog parents

15th – Mole & Squirrel parents

14th – 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

15th – Children break up at 2.00pm

18th – 1st Jan – Christmas holidays

January

2nd - INSET Day

3rd - Children return to school

4th – Year 1 Chertsey Museum Toy Workshop

9th - New to EYFS Parent Tours 9.30 -10.30am

9th – Year 5 Milestones Museum trip

16th – Reception Little Red Riding Hood Theatre Production

18th - Moorhen Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

25th - Heron Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

30th - Year 4 Stubbington 2024 (current Year 4 children) Information Evening 5.30pm in the hall

February

1st - Kingfisher Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

12th – 16th Half term

19th – INSET Day

20th - Children return to school

March

7th - Fox Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

7th & 8th – Year 4 Bikeability

14th - Mole Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

20th – 22nd – Year 4 Stubbington residential trip