

Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter

8th March 2024

Inspiring a love for lifelong learning



OFSTED Inspection

Updates from Mr Boulton

We are delighted to have received the final report following our recent 2-day graded OFSTED Inspection.

The report is a milestone in our school's journey. We are thrilled to share the comprehensive report that highlights many of our Ashford Park strengths.

It highlights the exceptional work and quality of education that we all go to in supporting the children that attend Ashford Park.

The report also acknowledges the strong relationships, high standards and enriching curriculum offered at Ashford Park.

We want everyone to be proud of the school's continuous improvement that has led to this success! I too am incredibly proud of everything we have achieved already this year.

We have remarkable children, families, staff and governors here at APPS.

Thank you for your continued support, as we now move on to the next phase to ensure that Ashford Park is the best school it can possibly be, so our wonderful young people fulfil our ambition of:

Achieve
Potential
Producing
Success

And we 'Inspire a love for lifelong learning'

Coming soon - books for Reception & KS1!

Added by

Miss Cordery - Early Reading and Phonics Lead

We have recently purchased lots of Little Wandle Letters and Sounds books so that we are able to send these home as part of our phonics and early reading teaching. These books have been a large investment of £16,000 and as we are sure you can understand, we are unable to purchase physical copies of every book for every child. We will however be doing all we can to ensure we can get as many physical books home with your child to read where possible. There will be more information on this to follow soon!

Lion King Theatre Tickets

The PTA have reserved 150 tickets to see The Lion King at London Lyceum Theatre on Thursday 26th September!

More details will follow, however priority ticket allocation will be given to those who volunteer at PTA events. The PTA are currently looking for volunteers to help at the Circus on 1st May, if you are able please sign up here: <https://volunteersignup.org/CMC9P>

Maths learning



Bumblebee Class have been learning about measurement during our maths learning. We have made 'Metre Monsters'. We have learned about millimetres, centimetres and metres to help us understand how to measure length and height. We are enjoying doing lots of practical maths activities to help us learn and have fun too!

Author book signing

Charlotte D met the author Harriet Muncaster and brought her signed book to school to show Moorhen class. What a lovely experience for Charlotte.



[Click here to view the OFSTED report](#)



Mrs. Wootton planned a brilliant book week at APPS this week. A huge thank you to all the staff, children and their families for supporting all elements, finishing the week with our APPS World Book Day Parades, where the staff and children dressed came to school as a character or in their comfy clothes. Mrs. Wootton was sadly missed today as she was unwell, but we look forward to her returning next week, when she will collate and share more of our amazing book week.



Spanish Word of the week: Libro

Translation: Book

Etymology: from the Latin word liber also meaning book (which is also the root word for Library)

Mi libro favorito es 'El león, la bruja y el armario'

A message from Surrey County Council

Our March Community Connector newsletter is out now!

In this month's newsletter we have included sections on childcare, internet safety and spotlighted some useful local services:

www.surreycc.gov.uk/children/support-and-advice/families/support-and-advice/community-connector

[Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity](#)

We are always keen to know the good work of school community. Our Parent Governor, Mrs Lisa Smith is a Roald Dahl Nurse.

Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity provides specialist nurses and support for seriously ill children. There are currently over 120 Road Dahl Nurses caring for more than 33,000 seriously ill children.

Click on the link to get an insight in to her wonderful work and register your vote: <https://smileycharityfilmawa>

[rds.com/films/suzannah-and-maxs-story](https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/rds.com/films/suzannah-and-maxs-story)

Expansion of Funded Early Education and Childcare

Please see link below for information regarding the expansion of funded early education:

<https://surreyeducationservices.surreycc.gov.uk/Article/154804?source=Newsletter&uid=0C64A2DB-0749-4526-AC86-837EAA191168>

Achievement

Pobble Published

Authors

Lewis C

Spelling Shed

Top spellers: Lola W & Yaash G

Top Class: Moorhen & Osprey

Maths Shed

Top Mathstronauts:

Emma G & Antoni T

MAC – Making Attendance Count Whole School Attendance 95.3%

Congratulations to the KS1 winner last week being Fox Class with 99.3%%

Congratulations to the KS2 winner being Woodpecker Class with 97.7%. Fantastic!



INSET Days 2024/25

2nd & 3rd September 2024

14th February 2025

21st & 22nd July 2025

March

12th – Alice in Wonderland production, M & M Productions

12th – Year 2 trip to the Salvation Army, am.

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

19th – 22nd – Book Fair in hall after school

20th – Acorn Celebration morning

20th – Year 6 SATs Evening in classrooms

20th – 22nd – Year 4 Stubbington residential trip

21st - Badger Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

22nd – EYFS Martial Arts workshop in hall

25th - Year 5 ZooLab onsite workshop

27th – KS2 Choir Spring Celebrations at 4.00pm. Parents to enter via the Gruffalo gate at 3.45pm

28th – MUFTI Day for PTA Rainbow Raffle donation

28th – Children break up at 2.00pm

29th – Good Friday

April

1st – Easter Monday

2nd – 12th April Easter holidays

15th – Children return to school

16th & 17th – EYFS Height & Weight Checks

18th – Choir invited to attend Surrey Primary Music Festival in the evening

19th – Year 2 Windsor trip

22nd – Whole school class photos

24th – Year 5 Junior / STEM workshop

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

May

KS1 SATs throughout May

1st – PTA Happy Circus

1st – MUFTI Day for PTA Bottle Tombola for pre circus event

2nd – Year 3 History off the page in school TBC

2nd - Hedgehog Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

3rd – MUFTI Day for school funds

6th – Bank holiday

9th - Squirrel Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

9th – EYFS Planetarium Experience in the hall

13th – 16th KS2 SATs

16th - Robin Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

16th –Year 6 Hooke Court residential trip meeting for parents in the hall at 5.30pm

17th – Year 1 trip to Milestones

17th – Year 6 trip to Thorpe Park

23rd - Woodpecker Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm.

24th – Whole school APPS RE/Cultural Diversity Celebration afternoon. 2.30pm

24th – Last day of half term, children finish at normal time 3.15pm

27th – 31st Half term