



Newsletter



This half term, instead of Smart School Council Assemblies, our pupils are working hard on rehearsing in preparation to participate in Sing Up Day 2026!

This is the first time we have taken part and we are very excited to become part of a world-wide digichoir!

The children have been learning about how our emotions can be expressed through different art forms, have a look at this [video](#) if your child would like to make some art at home.

This year's song is about resilience - which is one of our Ashford Park Values - because every challenge helps us grow stronger, wiser and shine a little brighter.

If you would like to help your child to learn the song lyrics or signs, please follow either of the links below and look out for the final video!

[We get up again lyrics](#)



[We get up again lyrics with sign language](#)



Help your child stay safe online



With so many apps, games, and websites out there, it's easy to feel overwhelmed. But the good news is you're not alone.

The UK government has launched the 'Kids Online Safety' campaign to help parents and carers support their children to navigate the digital world safely and confidently.

The campaign brings together practical, trusted guidance on how to start meaningful conversations about online life, understand the types of content children may encounter, and build critical thinking skills so young people can question what they see and make safer choices.

It also offers advice on using tools such as parental controls, recognising potential risks, and knowing where to seek help or report concerns. The overall aim is to make online safety an ongoing, open dialogue within families rather than a one-off conversation, helping children feel supported as they explore apps, games and social media.

You can find the resources here:

<https://kidsonlinesafety.campaign.gov.uk/>


Thank you to Jes from 7th Heaven Bakery who dropped in a range of delicious cakes for staff to celebrate International Women's Day this week. 7th Heaven Bakery and Viva Namaste are two new local businesses in Ashford High Street so pop along to for some freshly cooked Indian dishes or freshly baked sweet treats.



Viva Namaste
 Authentic Indian Restaurant & Takeaway (TW15)
 Discover Viva Namaste, Ashford's best Indian restaurant serving home-style curries, biryanis, wraps, and Indian...
 Viva Namaste Ashford



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Reception's Superhero Day

Reception recently enjoyed the story Super Milly and the Super School Day. In the book, Milly dresses up as a superhero but worries she can't be a real one because she doesn't have any special powers. When things begin to go wrong on Superhero Day at school, Milly soon discovers that she doesn't need extraordinary powers after all, her bravery, kindness, humour, intelligence and friendship are what truly makes her a hero.

Inspired by the story, Reception held their very own Superhero Day last half term. As part of their home learning, the children designed and created their own superhero costumes and proudly wore them to school. You may have spotted some of their fantastic creations on the way to school!

During the day, we practised our best superhero poses during a fashion show and, just like Milly, discovered that we all have special superpowers. We have always known that Reception is full of superheroes, this day just proved it!



Year 1



Year 1 have been learning about measurement in maths. We learnt what non-standard units of measure are and had fun exploring how to measure using non-standard units of measure such as cubes. Badger Class loved measuring Mrs Salley, who was 78 cubes long! The table in Fox Class was 118 cubes long!



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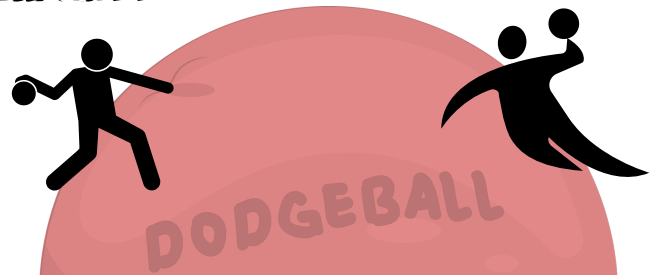


Some APPS children have recently been busy competing across 3 different Cross-Country Events. A team of Year 5 and Year 6 children travelled to Bedfont Lakes where they all pushed themselves to their maximum and ran extremely well. Jack and Henley had a great run and also a special mention to our Year 6 girls team who won the competition over all with some brilliant performances.

Children across Years 3-6 competed at Hazelwood this week in the Spelthorne Borough Cross Country Event. Yet again all children ran superbly showing great effort and determination. A special mention to our Year 5 and 6 girls team who won the competition again with Georgia finishing 1st place, Ruby in 2nd and Aaliyah finishing 3rd... the first time this has happened from one school! Also, a special mention to Archie from Year 4 who picked up a medal for finishing 7th in his first ever Cross-Country run!

A team of Year 4-6 children also attended St James School for a Cross Country event. Despite a very difficult course, all children showed fantastic attitude and commitment including Kenzie and Jack. Congratulations to Georgia for picking up another gold in the Year 6 girls race and to Ruby for picking up bronze in the Year 5 girls race.

Children who participated across the 3 events were: Olive, Leo, Pearl, Georgie, Angelina, Rita, Ollie, Archie, Ethan, Ruby, Sofia, Zoe, Amreet, Ella, Jack, Logan, Hayden, Cameron, Kenzie, Georgia, Aaliyah-Mae, Tilly, Cara, Dina, Reggie, James, Henly, Semi and Charlie



APPS Dodgeball Success

Our teams played against Cherry Lane and West Drayton.

Apps red team came 3rd, all children showed fantastic APPS values



YEAR 3



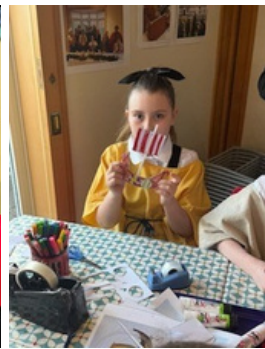
Owl Class can be seen above investigating how shadows form and how their size increases or decreases depending on the proximity of a torch in their Science lessons.

Here they are showing their practical maths skills, where they were dividing two-digit numbers by one-digit numbers. They used dienes to help exchange tens for ones. Amazing work, Owls!

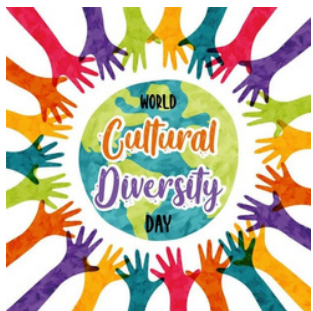


Year 4

HISTORY



Moorhen class had a lovely time visiting Chertsey museum to support our learning about the Vikings. We saw a real Viking sword, got to dress up in clothes like Vikings wore and explored the remains of Chertsey Abbey, raided three times by Viking Invaders!



Cultural Diversity Day – Monday 18th May 2026

We are delighted to announce that Monday 18th May will be celebrated as Cultural Diversity Day at Ashford Park Primary School.

To help us mark this special occasion, we warmly encourage all children to come to school dressed in traditional, religious, or cultural attire that represents their heritage, nationality, or faith. This is a wonderful opportunity for pupils to share and celebrate the rich diversity within our school community.

We would also like to invite parents and carers into school at 2:45pm to join their child's class and celebrate their Religious Education (RE) learning.



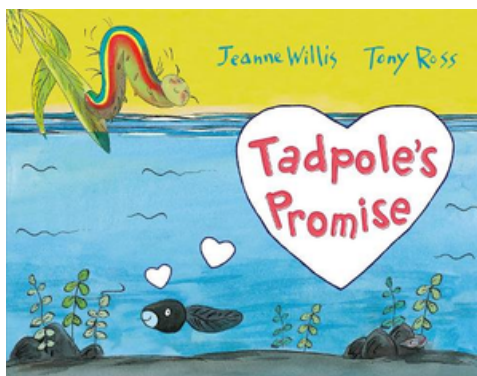
A Musical Journey with Chris Winslet

We were delighted to welcome musician Chris Winslet, a friend of our very own Mrs. Kemish to the school.

Chris shared his deep passion for music, speaking movingly about how it helps him express his feelings and find joy.

The children were fascinated to hear the story of how Chris first began his musical journey and were treated to a live demonstration of his talents on the guitar, banjo and the enchanting Kalimba.

The highlight of the visit was a special performance where the children enjoyed listening to Mrs. Kemish sing a beautiful song composed by Chris himself. It was a truly inspiring session that left us all humming a tune!



YEAR 2

In Year 2, we have begun our new story Tadpole's Promise.

The children will be learning about love, promises and change.

As part of the introduction to our new book, we discussed what these key words mean and the children wrote their own promise onto a lily pad.

We then shared our promises around the pond in front of a duck audience!



Ashford Park Primary School PTA

Smarties Challenge

The PTA would like to give each child a yummy treat, so we're sending home a tube of Smarties* to eat!

Smarties in a tube so bright,
Empty them out (enjoy a bite!)
Do good deeds, be kind each day,
Ask for a coin to help your PTA!

Return your filled tube to your teacher by
Wednesday 15th April

**THE CLASS THAT RAISES THE MOST MONEY
WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL TREAT!**

*Substitutes will be given to those with allergies



SAVE THE DATE
ASHFORD PARK PTA

SUMMER FAIR

SATURDAY

13th June 2026

• INFLATABLES • GAMES • BAR & FOOD STALLS •
• ICE CREAM • RAFFLES •
• AND MORE •

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UPCOMING EVENTS



MAR

SMARTIES CHALLENGE

27 EASTER HALF TERM

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28 / 29

MAY

SUMMER FAIR

13 1 - 4 PM

JUN

Y6 LEAVERS DISCO

9 6 - 8 PM

JUL

FIREWORKS NIGHT

8 4 - 7 PM

AUG

THEATRE - MATILDA

19 7PM

SEP

PANTO - GOLDBLOCKS

16 7PM

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

INSET Days 2026
22nd May 2026
22nd July 2026

March 2026	
Tuesday 24th	The Secret Garden M & M production Year 3 visit to St Hildas Church Year 6 watching Wizard of Oz performance at Thomas Knyvett
Wednesday 25th	Kingfisher trip to Chertsey Museum Acorn Share Our Learning Morning
Friday 27th	Non uniform day for school funds, £1 donation would be appreciated Children break up at 2pm
Easter Holidays: Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April	
April 2026	
Monday 13th	Children return to school
Thursday 23rd	Hedgehog class assembly in hall at 2:40pm, front gate open at 2:30pm
Tuesday 28th	PTA Spring Discos £2 per child, payable on Arbor. This includes sweets and squash. Acorn 2.00pm - 3.00pm Year 1 3:30pm - 4:30pm Year 3 4.45pm - 5.45pm Year 5 6.00pm - 7.00pm
Wednesday 29th	PTA Spring Discos £2 per child, payable on Arbor. This includes sweets and squash. Reception 2.00pm - 3.00pm Year 2 3:30pm - 4:30pm Year 4 4.45pm - 5.45pm Year 6 6.00pm - 7.00pm
Thursday 30th	Squirrel class assembly in hall at 2:40pm, front gate open at 2:30pm
May 2026	
Monday 4th	Bank Holiday - School Closed
Wednesday 6th	Year 1-6 PSHE meeting for parents at 3:30pm in the hall
Thursday 7th	Robin class assembly in hall at 2:40pm, front gate open at 2:30pm
Friday 8th	Year 1 Milestones Museum Trip
Monday 11th - Thursday 14th	Year 6 SATs
Friday 15th	Year 6 Trip to Thorpe Park

98% of our school community are now signed up to Arbor - thank you.

If you haven't already accessed Arbor this year, please sign up ASAP:

<https://login.arbor.sc/>

