



**Safeguarding Hotspot
Allergy lanyards**

In order to keep our children safe we have implemented a new allergy lanyard system. This shows a photograph of the child so they can be easily identified.

**Photographic Images
of Children Consent
Form – GDPR
compliance**

You will have recently received the Photographic Images of Children Consent Form – if you haven't then please collect one from the school office.

We would be grateful if you could tick the appropriate boxes on the form and return it to the school office.

In order to comply with the upcoming GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations) if we do not receive a completed form by 25th May, your child's photograph will not be included in upcoming newsletters etc., To date Ashford Park has used a negative response form for photographs, but this will no longer be compliant.

We look forward to receiving the completed form.

**Leading Parent
Partnership Award**

Research shows that through increased parental engagement in school life, children have improved progress, attendance, punctuality and behaviour.

At Ashford Park we work hard to grow strong working relationships with our families. We were recently visited by a representative of the Leading Parent Partnership Award (LPPA) who praised the school for how much we do to engage with our parent community. We are now in the process of applying for the LPPA.

As always, we thank you for your continued support of the school and if you have any concerns or queries please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.



**Fabulous Year 1
Writing!**

Dorcie has clearly enjoyed her Dinosaur Planet learning, demonstrating her new knowledge in her fabulous writing all about palaeontologists!



**Fighting Fitness Judo
Award**

Lisa in year 5 was awarded the 'Fighting Fitness' Judo award after school club trophy. Well done Lisa!



School Trips / Events

Please see below for details of the forthcoming school trips. The trips are available for payment online – please see the office if you need an online payment code.

Kew Gardens, EYFS,
14th June, £13, payment
due 25th May

Shah Jahan Mosque,
Year 1, 18th – 20th June,
£9.50, payment due 8th
June

**Chiltern Open Air
Museum**, Year 3, 6th
June, £17.50, payment
due 25th May

Thorpe Park Year 5, 18th
May, £8 with pass / £23
without pass, payment
due 11th May

Celebrating May Day

We enjoyed sharing our thoughts about the origins of May Day Bank Holiday, especially after the very nippy weather that we have recently experienced! We were very fortunate to borrow Mr Seager's Morris costume, including his Kingston Morris crossed sashes (baldric), rosette, waist-coat and bell pads. Even Shakespeare wrote, "As fit as a Morris for May Day."



Mr Seager took part in a TV advert for the 2015 Rugby World Cup, wearing his Morris costume.



Morris costume, bell pads and baldric.



Holly, dressed as Flora, the Roman Goddess of flowers.

Swimming Gala Update

Thank you to all children and parents who contacted Miss A'Bear or bought in their swimming certificates.

Unfortunately, we do not have enough entrants this year to take part, so we have withdrawn from the competition. Fingers crossed, we will have more interest next year and be able to put together a full team.

Daisy H - Annie Audition

It was Saturday 29th April 2018, when I went to the Blue School in Isleworth to audition for the famous musical, Annie. This was the first audition I've ever been to and I was nervous, but mostly excited. When I arrived my heart was thumping and I became more nervous as my audition got nearer.

When I was in the building I had to put on my jazz shoes and wait until my group was called to go in. When I got told

to come in, I wasn't alone.

The room I auditioned in was a small class room, so it was quite a squished space (especially to dance in). The first thing I had to do was learn a dance that the Director had taught us. The dance was extremely easy, well at least for me because I have been dancing for 8 years now. The dance was about 30 seconds long so I picked it up really easily. After my group had done the dance it was now time to sing solo! Now I've got to admit, I'm not a great singer but I am a great dancer. We had to sing 4 lines of somewhere over the rainbow.

It was quite hard to catch the tune of the song but I got there in the end. I was quite proud of myself when I sang the 4 lines because the Director said that it was 'lovely' so I felt good and confident. After that we had to repeat the dance over again and then our parents came and collected us.

A Recall on 5th May

My Mum had received an email about a recall for the audition I had done on the 29th. I was feeling so proud of myself and I got ready to immediately go to Isleworth. This time I was in the big hall. This recall was about the Director seeing us all dance as a whole group. We learnt the first part of the song 'It's a hard knock life' we didn't have to sing

solo for this audition, we just had to sing as a group while dancing (to be honest, we weren't really dancing, it was like dancing on the floor). The Director was very strict because after all, she did have to teach 100 kids, so I don't blame her. At the end of the audition she announced that the whole of my group were in the show! I was so happy and my first rehearsal was on Wednesday 9th May.

By Daisy H, Year 6.

Congratulations to Daisy, what an amazing opportunity!

John Muir Award Day 2

Some of us completed our 2nd day towards our John Muir Award. This day was Explore Day. We learnt about habitats and what animals need to survive. We hunted in in 3 different habitats at Church Lamas, woodland, grassland and a lake.

We caught different insects, played a survival game and pond dipped, by Jeremy R

We did pond dipping and went on a hunt for mini beasts and saw lots of different wildlife animals, by Tanya K



Certificates

Well done to the following children who have received certificates this week:

Grace N, Mia S, Ernie H, Shahyan K, Archie C, Jacob G, Finley P, Lucie W and Joel J.



May

11th – Year 4 Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

14th – 18th Year 6 SATs week

22nd – Happy Shoesday – wear 'Happy' Shoes to school with £1 donation

22nd – Ultimate Adventure Parents Meeting in the hall at 5.30pm

25th – Owl Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

25th – Break up for half term at 3.15pm

28th – 1st June – Half term

June

4th – 8th – Year 5/6 Ultimate Adventure Trip

6th – Squirrel Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

6th – Year 3 trip to the Chiltern Open Air Museum

8th – Year 3 Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

9th – PTA Happy Circus at 2.00pm, doors open at 12.30pm

10th – PTA Happy Circus at 2.00pm, doors open at 12.30pm

11th – Phonics screening week

13th – Deer Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

14th – EYFS visit to Kew Gardens

18th – Mole Class Mosque trip

19th – Badger Class Mosque trip

20th – Fox Class Mosque trip

20th – Hedgehog Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

22nd – Swift Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

25th – 29th am – Bikeability Year 6 details to follow

26th – Internet and Child Safety Information Session for parents and children in years 4, 5 & 6 in the hall 3.30 – 5.00pm

27th – EYFS Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

July

5th – Sports Day

10th – EYFS Induction Meeting for new Parents in the hall 6.00pm

11th – Year 1 Rio Carnival to Parents at 2.30pm, Outdoor Learning Area

12th – Back up Sports Day

12th- PTA Leavers Disco 6.30pm – 8.00pm

17th – Year 6 Leavers Assembly to Parents at 2.15pm

19th – Year 6 Fete 1.00pm-3.00pm

20th – Break up for Summer at 2.00pm

23rd - INSET Day