

Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter
21st September 2018
Inspiring a love for lifelong learning



Please accept our apologies

We send our apologies to our EYFS parents/carers, for not being completely clear with our communications on Thursday 20th September 2018. As we had conducted home visits, prior to the children starting with us, the EYFS staff were not present during the evening of 20/9/18, whilst the remaining teachers in years 1-6 were available for the initial meet the teacher events. We send our sincerest apologies for the confusion that this may have caused.

English workshops for EYFS and Year 1

We will be holding an EYFS and year 1 English workshop (phonics, reading & writing) on the 26th September in the year group classrooms, at 3.30pm and 5.30pm.

Safeguarding Hotspot

Please do not allow your children to ride on bicycles or scooters whilst on the school grounds. They can easily 'cut across' other people or bump into other children causing accidents. Thank you for your support.

Parking around school premises

We have had reports of cars blocking driveways. Please park considerately

and do not park across resident's driveways.

MAC – Making Attendance Count

Congratulations to the Top Ted winners last week being Badger Class with 100%.

Congratulations to the Top Dog winners being Robin Class with 98.9%. Fantastic!

Roald Dahl Dress Up Day



A big thank you to our fantastic school community for all your support during Roald Dahl week. The children had lots of fun dressing up as their

favourite book character as well as enjoying lots of creative learning experiences. These included writing biographies on Roald Dahl, composing their own 'Revolt Rhymes', analysing extracts from his books, drama workshops and lots more. We also managed to raise £266.72 for Roald Dahl's 'Marvellous Children's Charity' which is amazing news.



Here are just some of the quotes from the children during our fabulous first full week back...

"I like Roald Dahl day because I can dress up like Charlie Bucket AND I'm allowed to take a chocolate bar to school!" Eesa - Year 3

"We enjoyed reading the Minpins book and writing descriptive sentences. One of our favourite parts was when the swan flew the clouds with Little Billy."

Nathan - Year 3

"I love dressing up because I can act like Matilda for the day. She was brave."

Emily-Year 1

Try a School Lunch Day

On Thursday 4th October we are holding a 'Try a School Lunch Day' for the KS1 children.

The menu for the **whole school** on this day will be:

Organic Pork Meatballs & Tomato Ketchup

or

Quorn Sausage and Tomato Roll

Served with Potato Waffles & Sweetcorn followed by Vanilla Ice Cream

Your child is entitled to a Free School Meal if they are in Reception, Year 1 or 2.

On 4th October **ALL** children from these year groups will be able to try a school lunch, freshly prepared in our on-site kitchen. If your child usually brings a packed lunch they may still do so, but will also have the opportunity to sample our delicious school lunches.



INSET Days 2018/19

19th October 2018 – Alex Quigley, author of 'Closing the Vocabulary Gap'

15th February 2019 – SST joint school INSET

September

24th – Year 6 Junior Citizen Event

26th – EYFS & Year 1 Parent Workshop (phonics, reading & writing), in Year group classrooms 3.30pm & 5.30pm

26th – PTA Committee Meeting 6.00pm

26th – 28th Bushcraft Trip

October

3rd – Ultimate Adventure 2019 Parent Information Evening in the hall at 3.30pm

4th – Whole school coffee and cake morning in hall / sharing our learning

5th – Woodpecker Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

11th – New to EYFS 2019 Parent Tours at 9.30am and 6.00pm

11th – Flu vaccinations Reception – Year 4

12th – Robin Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

17th & 18th – Parents' Consultations

18th – Children break up at 3.15pm

19th – INSET Day

22nd – 26th Half term

29th – Children return to school

30th – School individual photos

November

2nd – Owl Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

4th – PTA Fireworks

W/b 5th – Book Fair 3.15 – 3.45pm

6th – New to EYFS 2019 Parent Tours at 9.30am and 6.00pm

8th – EYFS Coffee Morning in the hall / Celebration of Work

12th – Odd Socks Day (to support Anti-Bullying

Week) donations appreciated

14th – Squirrel Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

16th – Kestrel Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

19th – Production of 'Bully's Paradise for KS2

19th – Year 6 SATs Information Evening in classrooms 3.30pm and 5.30pm

21st – Deer Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

21st – PTA AGM 6.00pm

23rd – MUFTI Day for PTA chocolate tombola

23rd – Osprey Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

24th – PTA Christmas Fair 11.30pm – 3.30pm

28th – Hedgehog Class Assembly to Parents at 2.30pm

28th – Bushcraft Meeting for September 2019 for Years 3 & 4, time tbc

December

7th – Save the Children 'Christmas Jumper Day', donations appreciated

7th – Christmas Lunch Day

6th – PTA Disco 4.00 – 7.30pm

11th – Reception Nativity to Parents 9.45am and 1.45pm

12th – KS1 Nativity to Parents 9.45am and 1.45pm

13th – KS2 Carol Concert at 9.45am

14th – KS2 Carol Concert at 3.30pm and 6.00pm, preceded by School Choir at 5.30pm accompanied by refreshments

19th – Break up for Christmas at 2.00pm