

Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter  
 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019  
*Inspiring a love for lifelong learning*



**MARVELLOUS ME**

At Ashford Park, we know that the most effective way to make sure your children are happy and successful is by working closely with you. One of the ways we try to keep communication open and positive is by sending Marvellous Me messages directly to your phone to inform you of your child's learning and successes. It is great for teachers to see that you have received the message - so please reply with a quick 'Hi-5' to let them know you have seen it. As always, if you have any concerns please speak to your class teacher as soon as possible so that we can all work together to support your child. Likewise, if you have any positive feedback, we are of course happy to receive that too.



**Children in Need**

Well done Ashford Park, we raised an amazing **£468.24** for **Children in Need!** Thank you for your generosity in raising money for this fantastic charity.

**Nower Wood Trip**

*"On Monday we went to the best wood ever called*

*Nower Wood. It was extremely muddy but still amazing fun."*

*By Jessica, Jayden and Amelia*



*"My favourite part was climbing across a giant hole, I had to think of a way to get across without touching the ground.*

*There were two strings from one side of the hole to the other side, so I put both legs around one string and my arms were*

*holding onto the other string. Then I pulled myself across. I was hanging upside down!"*

*By Amelia*

*"My favourite part was toasting the marshmallows, they were crusty on the outside and melty on the inside. They were tasty and fantastic. We used a wooden stick to put the marshmallow on the fire."*

*By Jayden T*

*"I liked making the necklace medal out of wood and string. I used a green pen to write J for Jessica on my medal. I enjoyed working with my partner Reuben and we started a fire. I loved choosing things which began with the first letter of my name for J I found a jumpet, for L I found a leaf, and for H I found a hammock."*

*By Jessica*

**A message from the Immunisation Team at Ashford Clinic**

If you are planning to attend one of our drop-in clinics for your child to have the nasal flu immunisation, please note this is now a bookable clinic only.

If you would like to book an appointment at Ashford clinic, please could you telephone

Tracey Smith on 020 8394 8153.

### **New bushes outside Year 1 area**

New bushes have been planted outside the length of the outdoor area by Year 1.

Please do not walk on this area, or allow your children to walk through this area, as the new bushes are being damaged. Thank you for your support.

### **Ashford Park are in the Surrey Nature Autumn Magazine!**



After winning Gold in Surrey Wildlife Gardens Award we were thrilled to find out that Ashford Park Primary School were in the Surrey Nature Autumn magazine which is produced by Surrey Wildlife Trust. Amazing!

### **Reading News - New Reading Books**

We have been extremely fortunate this year, as we have been able to

purchase new reading books for our reading scheme. We are very excited by our new reading books which should significantly help our early readers to become confident, fluent readers with excellent comprehension. We sincerely hope your children enjoy reading them to you and you enjoy discussing and sharing these new books with your children. We would respectfully ask that the children look after these books at home by treating their reading books carefully and sensibly in order that other children may read and learn from them in years to come.

### **Well done to Dean!**



Dean won a Judo competition and received a gold medal. Congratulations to Dean.

### **Bushcraft Parent Meeting for September 2020**

On the 27<sup>th</sup> November, the Bushcraft Parent Meeting for current Years 2 & 3 will be held in the spare Year 6 classroom at 3.30pm & 5.30pm.

### **School Disco Tickets**

School disco tickets for Years 1 - 6 will be on sale after school every day next week (25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> Nov) outside the Year 6 classrooms. Tickets are priced at £3 each.

### **A message from MarvellousMe**

MarvellousMe have upgraded their Parent app this week. This new version delivers a 30-day News Centre (the number one feature parents have been asking for!), fixes notification bugs and includes other improvements.

You may have already seen an email from MarvellousMe however, if you haven't already done so, it is **essential** that you follow the instructions below:

Check your device is running the latest operating software.

1. Update the MarvellousMe app via the App Store or Google Play.

-To do this, type 'MarvellousMe' into the search bar, click on the 'MarvellousMe for Parents' icon and select 'update'.

-Your phone may have already updated MarvellousMe automatically in which case it will just have an 'open' button.

3. Open the MarvellousMe Parent app then

-Tap 'Settings'

-Toggle the 'Get device notifications' switch off and back on again. Even if it shows as 'On', **you must switch it 'Off' and 'On' once. This step is particularly important** to ensure you receive MarvellousMe notifications going forward and benefit from the upgrade.

Please refer to the guide attached or contact MarvellousMe directly through the 'User Guide & Help' section in the app if you need any support.

Thank you for using MarvellousMe.

### **Reading News - Book Bus Visit**

We are very excited to announce that The Book People 'Book Bus' will be visiting the school on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> of December and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> of December. The Book Bus visit is a fantastic way of encouraging children to enter the magical world of reading, whilst also helping the school to earn lots of free books for their classrooms and library. It is also a brilliant opportunity to purchase books as Christmas presents and for the

children to purchase a book to read over the Christmas holidays.

The books for sale are always up to 70% off RRP and there are over 250 books to choose from. As a school, we receive 15% of all commission made from sales, which really helps us to buy new books for the children. Each class will have the opportunity to visit the Book Bus, it will also be available after school on both days for parents/carers to visit until 3.55pm. If you would like your child to purchase a book, they will have the opportunity to do so on the days allocated below. We recommend the children bring in £5 in a named envelope on the day for the children to buy their book/s.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> - Deer, Swift, Skylark, Woodpecker, Moorhen, Heron, Kingfisher, Osprey, Mole & Kestrel

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> - Otter, Dormouse, Rabbit, Badger, Squirrel, Fox, Robin, Hedgehog & Owl

## **Achievement**

**Interesting word of the week: BUTTRESS**  
**= *make stronger or defensible; reinforce with a buttress.***

### **Maths Shed**

Top class - Owl, Heron & Mole

Top Mathematicians:

Marley - Kestrel

Dylan - Kestrel

Edward – Squirrel

### **Pobble**

The class Pobble authors for this week are:

Maisie H, Kyra R, Sienna L, Charles H, Delilah S, Denzen P & Camilla A.

### **Spelling Shed**

Top class – Osprey, Owl & Kestrel

Top spellers:

Steven - Kestrel

Laura - Osprey

Ruby - Kestrel

**MAC – Making Attendance Count**  
**Whole School Attendance 96.2%**

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

Congratulations to the Top Dog winner being Kestrel Class with 99%. Fantastic!

### **Certificates**

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

Sonny C, Ellie C, Isla H, Isla R, Joseph B, Alfie G-M, Jasmine C, Ashleen C, Jesse W, Denzen P, Katie S, Ryan T, Anika A, Zoe F, Macey B, Adrian S, Rhys S, Daniella A-F & Sian B.