

Ashford Park Primary School Newsletter
11th February 2022
Inspiring a love for lifelong learning



Happy half term

Here's hoping that the sun will start to shine and the days grow longer, as we all look forward to a restful February half term. The start to this new year has been exceptionally challenging, with record numbers of children and staff absent due to the dreaded Covid - 19. Thankyou for your kindness, compassion and extremely valued supportive letters, texts and emails during this extraordinary start to 2022. Such kindness has kept us all positive during these dark and cold January days.

Mrs Kerrie Maxfield

We send our love and best wishes to Mrs Kerrie Maxfield, who is moving on to new and exciting adventures. Mrs Maxfield will be greatly missed for being a truly fantastic teacher and we wish her every happiness and success.

Year 1 are helping the school environment!



Over the last few weeks in our Thrive sessions, some fortunate children have been helping our school environment.



The children have made some pinecone bird feeders which they have hung up in the trees, designed a flower garden for their outside learning area and have been helping to keep our school tidy by picking up litter, and learning why it's so important to put our rubbish in the bin, not on the floor.



Our children would like to remind our school community that there are lots of litterbins and compost bins around the school for you to put your rubbish and fruit and vegetable leftovers in!

Well done to Henry H!

Henry H has written an extremely emotive poem about slavery, inspired by

'Freedom bird', written by Jerdine Nolen and illustrated by James Ransome.



Living Streets WOW Travel Tracker



Congratulations Badger Class for being top of the leader board for the Living Streets WOW Travel Tracker. You earned the most badges in Ashford Park Primary School during January. Come on children let's try and beat them by walking,

scooting, cycling or park & striding to school.

Punctuality

We have a significant amount of children being continually late at the start of the day. This is both embarrassing for the children who are late, and also means that they miss significant chunks of start of the day learning opportunities. Please remember that the gates open at 8.30am and close at 8.50am. Punctuality is a skill for life, therefore please support us in teaching your children this important life skill.

World Thinking Day 22nd February 2022

Girlguiding and Scouting groups are invited to wear their uniforms to school to celebrate World Thinking Day.

A message from Spelthorne Borough Council

Spelthorne Borough Council are committed to supporting the most vulnerable households in our communities. The Council will be providing funds via one-off payments ranging from £50 to £80, depending on the household's situation. Full details of eligibility will be on our website alongside the application form.

To apply for the Household Support Fund, visit: www.spelthorne.gov.uk/householdsupport or call **01784**

446446 for assistance filling in the online form.

Achievement

Maths Shed

Top class - Heron
Top Mathematicians:
Anish S, Jayhan N, Selcen B and Sohraab A.

Pobble

The class Pobble authors for this week are:
Zuzanna J, Ciaran H, Hennie P, Arvin U-K, Scarlett K, Freya B, Zoe W, Sara G, Chloe K, Gabriela P, Nate B, Serena D, Keeva H, Nixon K, Eshal I, Adwait S, Balraj B, Lewis C, Mayra M, Jasmine M, Emily D, Tyler R, Benisha Y, Jasmine M, Kerem N, Harshini R and the whole of Skylark Class for their fantastic narrative poems!

Spelling Shed

Top class - Heron
Top spellers:
Liliana P, Anish S, Dominykas T, Gabriela P, Serena D and Laura G.

Times Table Rockstars

Simonas J, Ashleen C and Daniel S.

MAC – Making Attendance Count
Whole School Attendance 93.1%

Congratulations to the Top Ted winners last week being Hedgehog Class with 96%.
Congratulations to the Top Dog winner being Red Kite

Class with 98.2%.
Fantastic!

Certificates

Well done to the following children who have received certificates this week:
Zoe K, Yaash G, Athul A, Dexter B, Wesal N, Zack H, Molly L, Violet R, Michael M, Karim A, Sienna R, Jacob E, George T, Alexander R, Kabir A, Evie W, Vivian S, Sapphire K, Asa A, Nixon K, Henry H, Callum S, Alfie T, Simon J, Agamveer C, Olivia P, Millie B, Estelle M, Macey B, Sophia S, Reece B, Amy C, Trent B-M and Olivia L.



INSET Days 2021/22

1st July 2022

4th July 2022

INSET Days 2022/23

1st & 2nd September 2022

February

14th – 18th Half term

22nd - World Thinking Day, Girlguiding and Scouting groups are invited to wear their uniforms to school to celebrate

24th – Year 6 trip to the Lincolnsfield Centre

28th - 2nd March, Year 4 Stubbington residential trip

March

1st & 2nd Reception Height and Weight checks

3rd – World Book Day, children are invited to come in dressed as their favourite book character. £1 donation would be appreciated

18th – MUFTI Day in aid of Red Nose Day / Comic Relief, donations of £1 would be appreciated

16th – Inclusion / Attendance Officer school visits

23rd – Year 6 SATs Information Evening 3.30pm & 5.30pm, in classroom or [online](#)

April

1st - Children break up at 2.00pm

4th -14th Easter holidays

15th & 18th – Bank holidays

19th – Children return to school

19th – Swimming starts for Owl Class

21st – Swimming starts for Kingfisher Class

25th – Year 3 Earthquakes & Volcanoes workshop

28th – Year 1 Dinosaur workshop (surprise for children, please keep secret!)

May

2nd – May Day Bank Holiday

4th – EYFS & Year 1 Puppet Show

6th – MUFTI Day for school funds

18th – Class photographs, no PE this day

18th – Ultimate Adventure Meeting for parents at 5.30pm, in the hall or [online](#)

25th – Inclusion / Attendance Officer school visits

27th – Children break up at normal time

30th – 3rd June Half term

June

6th – Children return to school

6th – 10th Year 6 Ultimate Adventure residential trip

8th – EYFS The Look Out trip

28th & 29th – Year 6 Induction Days

July

1st – INSET Day

4th -INSET Day

13th – Inclusion / Attendance Officer school visits

22nd - Children break up at 2.00pm