



Safeguarding Hotspot

Please be advised that the police have been to talk to our year 6 children about the 'Malicious Communications Act'. They ask that you carefully monitor your children's phones when used OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL, for their use of 'Snap chat' and 'Discord', which are apps designed for young people aged 13 years and older. Unfortunately, homophobic and racist language is being used increasingly by primary aged children.

Learning looks and monitoring

As school staff, we continue to carry out our regular monitoring activities to ensure that the children are receiving the best possible education. We regularly carry out reviews of the national curriculum subjects across our school including Maths, PSHE, Computing and Modern Foreign Languages for example.

During these reviews, we visit classes and pop into lessons, speak to staff, look at examples of the children's learning and talk to the children, which is by far the best part! As you can imagine the children just say it like it is and their honesty is

refreshing and enlightening.

Your children can speak so knowledgeably about what they have learned, what helps them learn better and what they have enjoyed, or not, in each of the subjects. It is always a delight listening to them and they very much help shape what we do in school to 'Inspire a love for lifelong learning'.

Reception learning



Reception enjoyed celebrating Shrove Tuesday by making their own pancakes! We discussed that people celebrated Pancake Tuesday as a preparation for Easter.



The children experienced cooking with 'real equipment' including whisks, spatulas and measuring scales. As our readers can imagine, the pancakes didn't last long as they tasted so delicious!



On Thursday 3rd of March, Reception also celebrated World Book Day by dressing up as their favourite book characters.



Amongst the many characters from Harry Potter, and multiple princesses, we also had Matilda, the Cat in the

Hat, Peter Rabbit, The BGF, The Tiger That Came To Tea, Zog and the mouse from The Gruffalo! We also shared our favourite stories from home with our friends.

Saharan Dust

Our children were rather captivated by the orange atmosphere yesterday and came in buzzing about it this morning. They found lots of the red dust on the table tennis tables in the playground.



Science week

At Ashford Park we love all things scientific and we are celebrating British Science Week - well actually we are celebrating for two weeks with lots of exciting experiences taking place across the school for all of our children.

Following an assembly on Monday which introduced this year's theme of 'Growth', children have been invited to participate

in the British Science Week Poster competition. Please follow the link to find out how your child can take part:

<https://www.britishtscienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/poster-competition/>

WOW Travel Tracker



Congratulations Heron Class for being top of the leader board in for the Living Streets WOW Travel Tracker. You earned the most badges in Ashford Park Primary School during February.

Come on children - let's try and beat them by walking, scooting, cycling or park & striding to school.

Achievement

MAC - Making Attendance Count
Whole School Attendance 93.7 %

Congratulations to the Top Ted winners last week being Dormouse Class with 96.6%.

Congratulations to the Top Dog winner being Red Kite Class with 96.4%. Fantastic!

Certificates

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

Lexi M, Reggie P, Katie F, Aiza C, Divyam C, Athul A, Amelia M, Savannah D, Georgia H, William S, Tomas D, Aaliyah M, Evie W, Reuben S, Max E, Evie K and William W.



INSET Days 2021/22

1st July 2022

4th July 2022

March

W/b 21st – Science Week
23rd – Year 6 SATs Information Evening at 5.00pm online

31st – MUFTI Day A day for Ukraine, children are invited to wear blue and yellow

April

1st - Children break up at 2.00pm

4th -14th Easter holidays

15th & 18th – Bank holidays

19th – Children return to school