

NEWSLETTER



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Every child has the right to an education

New Lunches

This week we have welcomed our new catering company, Shire Services, to School. There have been a few minor teething problems as the Kitchen staff and children have adjusted to the new menu but the new food seems to be going down well. Can we thank all of our parents/carers for doing their bit and helping to make the transition run smoothly.



Attendance

Last week's (18.03-22.03) top attenders were:

Key Stage 1: 2W Badges 94.83% Key Stage 2: 6RB Rowan 93.23%

Being around teachers and friends in a school environment is the best way for pupils to learn and reach their potential. Time in school also keeps children safe and provides access to extra-curricular opportunities and pastoral

More information can be found here:

https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2023/05/18/ school-attendance-important-risks-missing-day/

Praise Awards

Children who gained badges and certificates in Praise assembly deserve our special congratulations:

W/C 18.03.24

Key Stage One

RR Foxes Isaac M Oscar J RT Hedgehogs 1/2B Squirrels Oliver E 1/2D Moles Roxy E 2W Badgers Ella D

Key Stage Two

3/4H Elder Harriet H 3/4R Oak Chloe G 4D Chestnut Darcie G 5E Beech Scarlett P 5/6SB Holly Kian B 6RB Rowan Georgia F

Well done everyone!

Request from Nursery

We are in need of lidded storage boxes and colourful plants for the Nursery outdoor area. We would be very grateful if you could donate any spare boxes or plants. Please bring to School Office.



Bark Chippings

Following on from recent tree pruning, we have a large pile of bark chippings in the KS1 playground. These are available, for a small donation, to parents , grandparents and friends of Ashwood by prior agreement. Please see the School Office if you are

You will need to supply your own bags.



Dates for the Diary

Thursday 2nd May

Local Elections—School Closed

Friday 3rd May

INSET-School Closed

Monday 6th May

Bank Holiday-School Closed

Monday 13th May

Year Six SATs week

Friday 24th May

Break up at 3.15pm for Whitsun

Monday 3rd June

School re-opens at 8.45am

Friday 19th July

Break up at 3.15pm for Summer

2023-2024 INSET Days*

Monday 4th September 2023 Friday 22nd December 2023 Monday 8th January 2024 Thursday 2nd May 2024 (VOTING) Friday 3rd May 2024 Monday 22nd July 2024 *Please note these are provisional.

Menu*

WC 15.04.24 (Week 2)



Monday

Hot Dog Halal Chicken Dog Quorn Burger V Potato Crunchies Vegetable selection Shortbread

Tuesday

Fish Finger or Battered Fish Chicken Noodle Pot Mac 'n' Cheese V Potato Wedges Vegetable selection Waffle

Wednesday

Traditional Roast Chicken Halal Roast Chicken Meat Free Balls V Stuffing & Gravy Roast & new potatoes Vegetable selection Ice Cream

Thursday

Chicken Tikka Masala Vegetarian Sausage Roll V Rice or Diced Potatoes Vegetable selection Cookies

Friday

Fish Fillet or Fish Cake Margherita Pizza V Chips or Pasta Vegetable selection Fruity Friday: a selection of chilled, frozen or fresh fruit desserts

Available Every Day

Sandwich, cheese, tuna or ham filling. Jacket Potato with a choice of cheese, beans or cheese and beans. Salad, crusty bread, fresh fruit, yoghurt

All dinners must be booked through School Money the day before they are needed. Please contact the school office if you are having any issues.

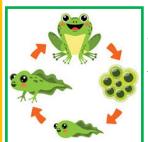
* Subject to change

Lunches from Home

If you are sending your child with a packed lunch, can we ask that you cut grapes, cherry tomatoes and similar in half please. Also, as a **nut free** school please do not send in Nutella sandwiches or any other nut products.

EYFS News

A lovely return to school this week, all the children have settled back in very well!



We have enjoyed learning all about frogs this week in Reception!

This week children have come home with a letter to tell you about a trip to Wordsley Library on Monday 29th April. There is a form for you to fill in and return to school asap please.



Tree Tots Toddler Group Every Wednesday 9.00 - 11.00am KS1 Hall

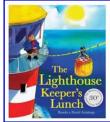
Toys, activities, songs, stories and crafts available. Refreshments included adults please bring a lidded cup!



KS1 News

This week in Key Stage One we have been starting our new topic in History - all about our School! We are also going to be learning about our school grounds in Geography so we will become experts on Ashwood Park.

The children have started a brand-new story - 'The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch' and children have enjoyed finding out about Mr Grinling the lighthouse keeper.



Next week in RSE we will be learning about the different ways we can spend money and how important it is to spend and save for the things we want and need



RBD News

Welcome back to what will be a very busy Summer term with lots of exciting things to learn! We hope everyone had a lovely Easter break with their families and we have been enjoying listening to all the exciting things the children have been up

Please can we remind all parents to double check that their child's implants or aids are fully charged before they come to school and that the children bring their spares kit into school in case of battery failure. We have a limited number of batteries that we can give in the event of flat batteries but we are getting through these very quickly. Thank you.

May we wish all of our families who are celebrating Eid this week 'Eid Mubarak!' We hope you have had wonderful celebrations!





Well done to Aleksa for excellent work with her reading and retelling of Well done! stories in spoken English and being able to use some very impressive words.



Well done to Cicero for his retelling of a story in English using BSL - excellent facial expressions and signing style made everyone want to keep watching!

Signed Video: The signed video this week is 'Spring'. Please follow the link and look at the latest video we have filmed based on Spring and what we are likely to see in this season.



https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCb3VQs9stq-1QwEYfprn19Q

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Well done to everyone! *based on most correct answers

After School Sports Clubs

Summer Term clubs:

- Tuesday Y3 and 4 Tennis
- Wednesday Y5 & 6 Gymnastics
 - Thursday Y1 & 2 Target Games

KS2 News

Welcome back! We hope that you all had a wonderful break. We are all very happy to see all of our children back at school - and also happy to see the sunshine at the end of the week!

Our year 3 and 4 children have started their new history and geography topic based on our local area. They are keen to be learning about how the housing in the local area has changed over time and make comparisons with where they are living now.



Our children in year 5 have begun their history topic, also linked to the local area, and will consider the use and impact of the canal system.



We are really proud of our year 6 children for keeping up with their extra revision over the break. They are working very hard and taking their studies very seriously in the run-up to their SATs in May. Keep it up!

PE and Swimming

The children have the following PE days:

- Years 5 and 6 Friday
- Years 3 and 4 Monday (with 4D bringing their swimming kit)
- Years 3 and 4 can come to school in their kit on Tues only
- Years 5 and 6 can come to school in their kit on Wed only

All square

On each of these grids, the counters lie at the four corners of a square.







What is the greatest number of counters you can place on this grid without four of them lying at the corners of a square?

