



# Ashley Junior School

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...2024/25

NEW EVENTS /PTA EVENTS /FUNDRAISING EVENTS



### Autumn Term 2

16th December

Whole School visit to Ashley Baptist Church

18th December

Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day (normal uniform on bottom-half)

20th December

Last day of term—school closes 1.30pm

23rd December—3rd January

Christmas Holidays

### Spring Term 1—2025

6th January

Pupils return to school

15th, 16th & 17th January

Bikeability—Y6

27th January

Year 5—Frozen Musical (@The Arnewood School-see separate letter)

30th January

Winter Disco—Letter to follow

3rd February

PTA EMERGENCY GENERAL MEETING 6pm ( see PTA newsletter notice from 29.11.24.)

7th February

Doughnut and Cookie Friday—After school  
(Details to follow)

10th & 13th February

Parent Consultations, Hall, 3.40—6.00pm

17th—21st February

Half term

24th February

Inset day

MONDAY 3rd March

AJS World Book Day (Please note date is different to National WBD celebration)

5-7th March

Osmington Bay Residential—Year 5

14th March

Non-uniform day in exchange for Boxed Easter Egg

28th March

Easter Bingo and Raffle Evening 6-8pm

(Details to follow)

7-18th April

Easter Break

21st April

Bank Holiday

2nd May

Freddo Friday sale after school 3:30pm—4:00pm

(Details to follow)

w.b.12th May

YEAR 6 SATs week



### 'Letters home' link:

All letters sent home are available on our school website:

<https://www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Letters+Home&pid=71>

### NEW Third Party

Communications:

<https://www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Third+Party+Communications&pid=98>

## CHRISTMAS POETRY AND MUSIC PERFORMANCES 2024



**Thank you for coming along to this year's annual Christmas Poetry and Music Performances** - it was great to see so many people there to support the classes and choir.

*The children performed with such confidence and joy!*



## THANK YOU

to all of the lovely children who drew a Christmas themed picture for The Gallery wall in the Year 6 area.

**They are fantastic!**





**What a wonderful response we had to our Christmas Science and Design & Technology challenge.**

Thank you to the children, and their families, who took part—it was so great to have all of the decorations on display in the hall ready for our Christmas Performances this week.

On Thursday and Friday, each design was judged, in turn, by every child in the school, with the decision being left to the children with their casting votes!

The winner of the Christmas Light Decoration Competition will be announced next week.



**Uniformd Flash Sale!**

**25% off Coat/Jackets/ Gilets**

**Fri. 13th—Wed.18th December**

*Please note the price online is inclusive of discount.*



**ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER-**



Please click on the link below to see this month's online safety newsletter, with **very** useful guidance:

<https://www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Online+Safety+Newsletters&pid=67>



**All schools are required to consider a fine when a child has missed 10 or more sessions (5 days) for unauthorised reasons.**

If your child is absent and you haven't received advance permission from Mrs Bartolomeo to take your child out of AJS, the school and Hampshire County Council may take action.

These measures can include:

- ⇒ **Issuing a fixed penalty notice\***, otherwise known as a 'fine' – the Local Authority, Hampshire County Council, can give each parent a fine;
- ⇒ From August 2024, the fine for school absences across the country will be **£80 if paid within 21 days**, or **£160 if paid within 28 days**. This rate is in line with inflation and is the first increase since 2012;
- ⇒ **If you do not pay the fine after 28 days you may be prosecuted by the Local Authority for your child's absence from AJS;**
- ⇒ In the case of repeated fines, if a parent receives a second fine for the same child within any three-year period, this will be charged at the higher rate of £160;
- ⇒ Fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action like a parenting order or prosecution will be considered by HCC.



**\*Please note that fixed penalty notices can be issued to AJS parents in these circumstances:**

- **Holiday taken during term time; we cannot make any allowances for the comparative high cost of travel during school holiday weeks themselves**
- **Children who are persistently late for school**
- **Children who are persistently late after registration closes.**

**Please note: If your child misses school due to medical or dental appointments, please provide evidence of the appointment to the school office team for our records– thank you.**

**STAR READER**

Wren

Esme

Kestrel

Theia

Kingfisher

Dylan

Skylark

Robin

Barn Owl

Kieran

Eagle

Anya

Osprey

Yasmine

Merlin

Jewel

Robin

Aria



**TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS**

Wren

Aidan

Kestrel

Archer

Kingfisher

Max

Skylark

Summer

Barn Owl

Zack

Eagle

Kaitlin

Osprey

Faiz

Merlin

Thomas

Robin

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**HIGH FLYER**



Wren

Olivia

Kestrel

Charlie

Kingfisher

Lloyd

Skylark

Harry

Barn Owl

Phoebe

Eagle

Anson

Osprey

Zack

Merlin

Archie

Robin

Tom