



Ashley Junior School

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Bulletin 16 Friday 10th January 2025

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...2024/25

NEW EVENTS /PTA EVENTS /FUNDRAISING EVENTS



Spring Term 1—2025

13th January	5.00—6.30pm PTA Committee meeting - planning for Spring events
15th, 16th & 17th January	Bikeability—Y6
21st January	9.15am PINS PARENT GROUP MEETING
22nd January	3.00pm Shining Lights Choir - PARENT MEETING for Young Voices@O2 London
27th January	Year 5—Frozen Musical (@The Arnewood School-see separate letter)
30th January	Winter Disco— Attached
3rd February	PTA EMERGENCY GENERAL MEETING 6.00pm (see PTA newsletter notice from 29.11.24.)
5th February	All day - Shining Lights Choir trip to Young Voices@O2 London
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
<u>MONDAY</u> 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



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'Letters home' link:

All letters sent home are available on our school website:

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

NEW Third Party

Communications:

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



It was great to welcome the children back to school this week.

We have been thinking about what it means to be **READY** to learn, including what **ASPIRATIONS** we each might have for 2025.

In assembly, we were inspired by the aspirations and achievements of footballer Matei Akinmboni, darts champion Luke Littler and British explorer Preet Chandi.

We are very excited to see what new challenges the **AJS** children aspire to embrace this coming year !



Reminder :

PE Day change



Monday	Year 3
Tuesday	Year 5 Robin
Wednesday	Year 4
Thursday	Year 6



Arbor data

Please ensure all details held on your child's records are up to date

and accurate.

THANK YOU...

Kingfisher Friday 17th January

Skylark Friday 24th January

Wrens Friday 31st January

Kestrels Friday 7th February

Eagles Friday 14th February

Robin children will join their mainstream inclusion classes.



YEAR 5 RESIDENTIAL TO OSMINGTON BAY:
5th-7th MARCH 2025

All balances should be now paid in full .

REMINDER: SNACKS and PACKED LUNCHES

No chocolate, nuts or kiwis



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**HAMPSHIRE
PARENT CARER
NETWORK**
enabling voices to be heard



PINS Parent Group – ALL WELCOME!

At Ashley Junior School we are very pleased to be continuing to work alongside the Hampshire Parent Carer Network (HPCN) as part of the PINS programme - a national project aimed to improve inclusivity in schools for **all** children, particularly those who are neurodiverse.

As part of this project, in October we set up a parent group, led by Rosie from HPCN. Sessions for this group are an opportunity to come and have conversations about what's going well for you and your child in school and what needs some improvement. Rosie takes notes during the meeting and then meets with the leadership team to talk through any thoughts or issues raised.

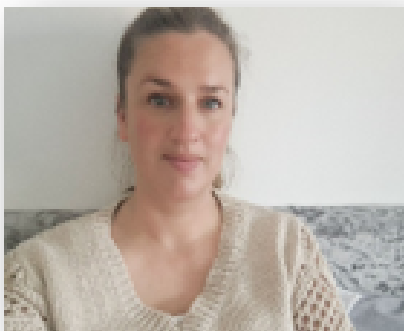
These PINS Parent Group sessions are a really great opportunity to have your voice heard and support the school to make positive changes for all our young people. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 21st January. Rosie will lead the meeting at 9.15 am; you are welcome to come into school at 9.00am for tea/coffee and biscuits following school drop-off.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Tuesday 21st January 2025

Time: 9.15am

Location: AJS Library

An introduction from Rosie



My name is Rosie, and I work for the Hampshire Parent and carers network. I will be running the PINS groups and working with you to listen to you and build positive relationships between home and school. I have many years of training with children in SEN within the Early's years sector, as a Qualified Early Years SENCO and SEN law Training and my own personal experience of SEN with my own Children.

Email: pins@hpcn.org.uk

Web page: www.hpcn.org.uk

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/HampshireParentCarerNetwork/>



As we approach February 2025, after three years of war, New Forest For Ukraine remains dedicated to helping displaced people in Ukraine who have had to leave their homes with little support. We have delivered 443 metric tonnes of humanitarian aid using lorries that each carry 52 pallets filled with essentials.

To further our mission, we invite the AJS community to **donate used home inkjet cartridges (no laser or business ink jets)**. Your ink cartridges can help raise funds. If you have any used empty cartridges, there will be a collection box in the AJS office foyer. New Forest for Ukraine will then convert them into financial support for those in need.

Visit our website www.newforestforukraine.org to find other ways to help.

We also need volunteers for ongoing initiatives to support families facing tough challenges. Your compassion can make a big difference.'

Thank you for your support...

Stroke Association—SKIP FOR STROKE in February 2025



The challenge is to skip for 15 mins every day in February, you could do this as an individual or as a group (eg family taking turns), if you want to join in but struggle with mobility/ co-ordination then you can use a skipping rope that hasn't actually got any rope attached (ie just the handles!)

Sponsorship is recommended from friends/ family – no minimum amount to join the challenge

It promotes fitness, awareness about strokes and what we can do to prevent them

Raising awareness and money for the Stroke association (www.stroke.org.uk), sign up either by facebook (search stroke association skip2025), or email facebook@stroke.org.uk with your details, you can either make a just giving page or do on paper form and collect cash when completed

You get a free skipping rope when you register via facebook or email





Ashley Junior School PTA Winter Disco



Thursday 30th January 2025

Timings

Lower School : 4:45pm—5:45pm

Upper School : 6:00pm—7:00pm

Cost per pupil £3.00

This includes unlimited refreshments

Booking and payment to be made via Arbor.

Please ensure your child's dietary and allergy information is updated on Arbor

Deadline for booking - Friday 24th January

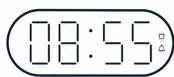


All schools are required to consider a fine when a child has missed 10 or more sessions (5 days) for unauthorised reasons.

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
Leighton

Kestrel
Thomas

Kingfisher
Luke

Skylark
Emma

Barn Owl
Bow

Eagle
Kaitlin

Osprey
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Merlin
Alice

Robin
Sebbie



TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Wren
Aidan

Kestrel
Alex

Kingfisher
Amu

Skylark
Arya

Barn Owl
Theadora

Eagle
Luca

Osprey
Jackson

Merlin
Thomas

Robin
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HIGH FLYER



Wren
Vinnie

Kestrel
Emily

Kingfisher
Luke

Skylark
Robin

Barn Owl
Gabriella

Eagle
Adina

Osprey
Aaliyah

Merlin
Freddy

Robin
Raymond