



Ashley Junior School

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Bulletin 19 Friday 31st January 2025

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...2024/25

NEW EVENTS /PTA EVENTS /FUNDRAISING EVENTS



Spring Term 1—2025

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

6th February

Osmington Bay Residential—Parent Meeting 3:30pm—4:00pm

7th February

Doughnut and Cookie Friday—After school - Attached

10th & 13th February

Parent Consultations, Hall, 3.40—6.00pm

17th—21st February

Half term

24th February

Inset day

28th February

Jack and the Bean Stalk - Theatre visit Whole school

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

26th March

PE day - all pupils in PE kit today

28th March

Easter Bingo and Raffle Evening 6-8pm

(Details to follow)

4th April

School finishes 1:30pm

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/?title=Letters+Home&pid=71>

NEW Third Party

Communications:

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

Thank you to the cast and crew of Arnewood School's

Production of FROZEN. Our Year 5 children thoroughly enjoyed their trip to watch it on Monday this week. Wonderful acting, singing, dancing and music were on show!

What an inspiration the Arnewood students were to our children. THANK YOU, FROZEN!



STAFF CAR PARK: For those who are permitted to use the car park, please follow **the arrow directions** that are marked on the car park floor. THANK YOU!

We are aware that lots of AJS families may be struggling financially at the moment; we have a small grant allocated to us to support those in need for things such as energy bills, warm clothing and bedding.

Eligibility is not restricted to just those in receipt of benefits. If you feel we might be able to support you, or would like further details, please contact Mrs Cheesman by email:

adminoffice@ajs.hants.sch.uk



DON'T BE LATE!

Our school gates are opened between 8.45—8.55am, and then they close.



Look out for TOKEN TIME next week, and be **READY to pick up your token!**



ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER-**JANUARY**

Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility



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

www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=835&type=pdf



Priestlands Sports Partnership - Athletics : Report from Mrs Pollard and Mr Cox

On Wednesday, selected children from across all year groups were fantastic ambassadors for our school. They were ready, respectful and responsible throughout the event.

We took two children from each year to take part in an athletics event, which included standing long jump, speed bounce, javelin throw, chest push pass and some relay races.

There were seven other schools there; we came 5th overall with an overall score of 30, the winners scored 38, so the whole competition was very close. The children worked really hard throughout, learning new skills.

We were very proud of all of them, especially Bow and Luca as they were given 'Determination' wrist bands from the Priestlands students, who recognised their hard work and determination throughout the event.





THE FUTURE OF AJS PTA

'HANGS IN THE BALANCE':

The PTA needs at least two official members in role, to be compliant. We are currently looking for a Treasurer and Secretary at this stage.

The PTA will be holding an

Emergency General Meeting

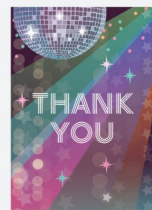
Monday 3rd February 2025 @ AJS 6.00—7.00pm

If you cannot attend the meeting but are interested in joining us, please let the PTA know via:

pta@ajs.hants.sch.uk , the Ashley Juniors PTA Facebook page or

adminoffice@ajs.hants.sch.uk, by 9.00am, 3.2.25

If no volunteers come forward to fulfil the official roles required, the PTA will 'fold' at the end of this academic year, and all planned events, throughout the rest of this year, will be cancelled.



THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE DISCO KINGS AND QUEENS WHO ENJOYED LAST NIGHT'S DISCOS! Lots of groovy moves, fun and laughter were on display! Thank you to the PTA team for hosting this great event.

Support us

PTA
Doughnut sale Friday!

Get yourselves a treat from
3:30pm – 4:00pm on
Friday 7th February

Location - outside the school office.
£1.00 per doughnut
(Selection available)
50p for a cookie.

(Cash only event)

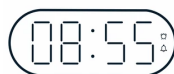


All schools are required to consider a fine when a child has missed 10 or more sessions (5 days) for unauthorised reasons.

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
Johann

Kestrel
William

Kingfisher
Priya

Skylark
Arya

Barn Owl
Lissy

Eagle
Kaitlin

Osprey
Louisa

Merlin
Aavai

Robin
Tom



TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Wren
Olivia

Kestrel
Huey

Kingfisher
Evie

Skylark
Tess

Barn Owl
Theadora

Eagle
Iris

Osprey
Faiz

Merlin
Thomas

Robin
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HIGH FLYER



Wren
Jude

Kestrel
Roy

Kingfisher
Darcy

Skylark
Esther

Barn Owl
Holly

Eagle
Jess

Osprey
Luke

Merlin
Leo

Robin
Ayaan