



Ashley Junior School

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Bulletin 23 Friday 7th March 2025



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...2024/25

NEW EVENTS /PTA EVENTS /FUNDRAISING EVENTS



Spring Term 2—2025

11th March	Year 5 Science morning —Arnewood school
12th March	Book Look—Parents welcome 3:30pm - 4:00pm (Details in newsletter)
14th March	Non-uniform day in exchange for Boxed Easter Egg for PTA raffle
21st March	COMIC RELIEF — RED NOSE DAY'S 40 year anniversary: 'Wear PJs to school' or 'Dress -up like it's 1985' for the day! (and donate online)
26th March	PE day - <u>all pupils</u> in PE kit today
28th March	Easter Bingo and Raffle Evening 6-8pm
2nd April	Year 4 Anglo Saxon Day
3rd April	Year 3 Easter Celebration—Parents /carers welcome (9:15am : details to follow)
4th April	School finishes 1:30pm
7-18th April	Easter Break
21st April	Bank Holiday

Summer Term 2025

22nd April	SUMMER TERM STARTS
2nd May	Freddo Friday sale after school 3:30pm—4:00pm (Details to follow)
5th May	Bank Holiday
w.b.12th May	YEAR 6 SATs week
26th—30th May	Half term
2nd June	INSET day
3rd June	Year 6 Marwell Trip
4th June	ARTS WEEK GALLERY - OPEN TO AJS FAMILIES (Time TBC)
17th June	Year 3 trip—Fishbourne Roman Palace (Details to follow)
23rd June	Treehouse Theatre Workshop— Year 5 (Details to follow)
26th June	Year 5 Arnewood Cup Sport Tournament
10th & 11th July	Year 6 Transition Days Arnewood School
22nd July	School finishes 1.30pm - end of school year
23rd July - 2nd September	Summer Holidays

Next year: 2025/26

3rd September	INSET day
4th September	AUTUMN TERM STARTS 2025
3rd November	Inset day
5th January	Inset day
23rd February	Inset day
1st June	Inset day



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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>



The **Year 5 Osmington PGL** children have had a great time this week ...look out for the report and pictures in next week's newsletter!



AJS is now 'live' on social media!

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM AND FACEBOOK:

[@ashleyjuniorschool](https://www.instagram.com/ashleyjuniorschool)

ALL PARENTS RECEIVED AN EMAIL THIS WEEK ABOUT UPDATING THEIR CHILD(REN)'S ONLINE 'MULTIMEDIA PERMISSION CONSENT' FORM: please click on the link and complete the 'YES/NO' decision for all multimedia:

<https://forms.office.com/e/1qFE8z07zr>

Deadline 3.30pm Friday 14th March 2025

ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER



Please click on the link below to see our latest online safety newsletter, with **very** useful guidance:



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



REMINDER: Wednesday 12th March

3.30—4.00pm

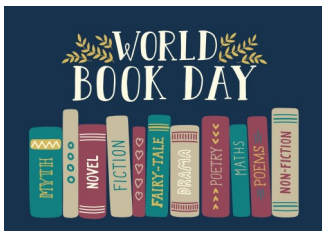
MATHS BOOKS

CELEBRATION!

Please come in to your child's classroom to celebrate and share with them the learning that they have done this year.

Books will be ready for families to look through

together— please do pop in!



We had some amazing entries for this year's 'Potato' book character competition. Once again, we were amazed by the creativity and imagination demonstrated.

Everyone who entered, received a small prize and certificate. The following children were chosen as winners and also received a WHSmith gift voucher for their amazing potatoes - we hope they enjoy choosing a good book to read!



- Ralphie Y3 - Mr Bump
- Lois Y3 - Peter Rabbit
- Kara Y4 - Elmer
- Louis Y4 - Little Red Riding Hood
- Bow Y5 - Wicked
- Jack Y6 - Harry Potter
- Alice Y6 - Pony Camp Diaries

DRESS AS A WORD: Look at the brilliant variation of words and costumes that were on display on this year's AJS Catwalk show!

What a marvellous effort everyone made—thank you!



'Eat them to defeat them' packs will be given to the children to take home on Monday 10th March.



Outdoor Learning Sessions Spring Term 2

Friday 14th March - Merlin
Friday 21st March - Barn Owls
Friday 28th March - Skylarks
Friday 4th April - Kingfishers

Robin children will join their mainstream inclusion classes.



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



BE ON TIME FOR SCHOOL!



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!



Friday 14th March 2025

**Non-School Uniform Day
in exchange for boxed Easter Egg donation**

This year the PTA would like to hold a Non-School Uniform day in exchange for a **donation of a boxed Easter egg** - any size welcome. These will be put towards the Easter Raffle!

The PTA team will be at the reception gates on the morning of **Friday 14th March** to collect in all donations. **THANK YOU!**





Friday 28th March 2025



Tickets £5.00 per person—payment made via your child's Arbor account—School Shop-PTA Bingo tickets

Ticket includes all 4 bingo games. Prizes for 1 line, 2 lines & Full House winners

Extra bingo games and refreshments will be available. Additional raffle tickets can be purchased before the draw on the night.

Cash Only Event if you wish to purchase anything on the night.

Limited tickets available—No purchases can be made on the door.



Do you remember that, towards the end of 2024, 'Asda Cashpot' set a fundraising mission to raise extra funds for PTA's across the UK?

Well, with your sign up and spending at ASDA, we managed to raise a fantastic £111.07, which was received this week.

Thank you so much, and well done Ashley Junior School parents, family and friends...

INTRODUCING CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

Download and opt-in with Asda Rewards and we will donate ££s to schools.

HERE'S HOW

- 1 Download the Asda Rewards app & sign up today
- 2 Opt-in to Cashpot for Schools and follow the steps in your app
- 3 Shop, scan and we donate

With Parentkind

CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

Cashpot for Schools is our mission to support primary schools across the UK.

Every time you shop with Asda Rewards from 2nd September to 30th November, we will donate 0.5% of your total spend to a primary school of your choice. Plus, Asda will pop £1 into your school's Cashpot every time someone opts in.

Even more, Asda will get your school started with a further £50. To redeem this, make sure to shop & scan and remind your school to sign up with Parentkind.

For more info, please see our [Terms & Conditions](#).

You won't give up any of your own earnings, and your Cashpot will continue to grow! **Shop. Scan. We donate!**

CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

Thank you for choosing a school!

Ashley Junior School ✓

Normans Way Ashley Road Ashley, New Milton, BH25 5FN

When you shop with Asda Rewards, we'll donate 0.5% of your total spend every time to your selected primary school. This is additional to your own earnings and doesn't take anything out of your Cashpot.

You'll be able to track your school's Cashpot in the next 24 hours. Keep an eye on your selected Cashpot to track their progress and see how much they've earned!

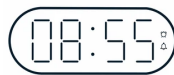


All schools are required to consider a fine when a child has missed 10 or more sessions (5 days) for unauthorised reasons.

If your child is absent and you have not 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;
- ⇒ The fine for school absences across the country are **£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
Poppy

Kestrel
Emily

Kingfisher
Darcy

Skylark
Johan

Barn Owl
Back next week

Eagle
-

Osprey
Finley

Merlin
Dhilsha

Robin
Harry



TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Wren
William

Kestrel
Alex

Kingfisher
Luke

Skylark
Tess

Barn Owl
Back next week

Eagle
-

Osprey
Arunima

Merlin
Ruby



HIGH FLYER



Wren
Rafe

Kestrel
Jasmine

Kingfisher
Jessica

Skylark
Esmee

Barn Owl
Grace

Eagle
Jay

Osprey
Poppy

Merlin
Scarlett

Robin
Daniel