



Ashley Junior School

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Bulletin 24 Friday 14th March 2025



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...2024/25

NEW EVENTS /PTA EVENTS /FUNDRAISING EVENTS



Spring Term 2—2025

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 (See separate letter for tickets)
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
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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DEADLINE EXTENDED



AJS is now 'live' on social media!

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM AND FACEBOOK:

@ashleyjuniorschool

ALL PARENTS RECEIVED AN EMAIL LAST WEEK ABOUT UPDATING THEIR CHILD(REN)'S ONLINE 'MULTIMEDIA PERMISSION CONSENT' FORM.

As part of this consent, we would love to continue to share with you photos of your child(ren) taking part in activities such as school trips, athlete visits, performances, enterprise week, arts week, sporting events, competitions etc.

Please click on the link and complete the 'YES/NO' decision for all* multimedia:

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

THE DEADLINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO: 12.00pm, Monday 17th March

This form replaces any previous multimedia/photo image/video consent forms.

**Please note that, due to the detailed administration required for organising and publishing photos, we respectfully inform you that we are unable to accept requests from parents to separate out permissions for each category of multimedia.*

AJS LIBRARY—OPEN EVERY THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL



Our fantastic school library will be open every Thursday after school, from 3.30—4.00pm.

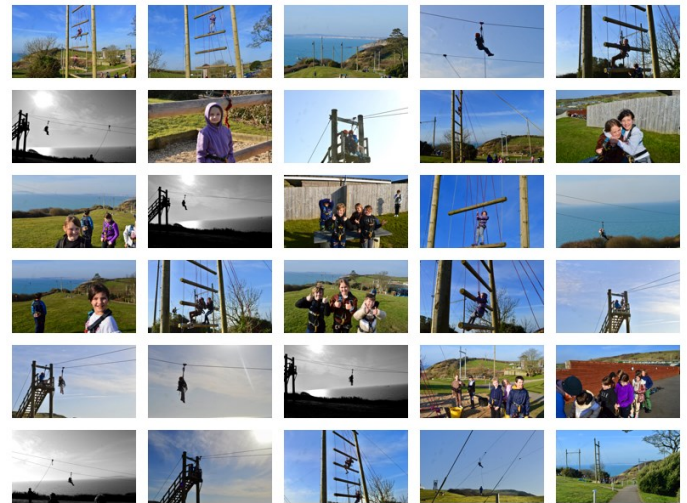
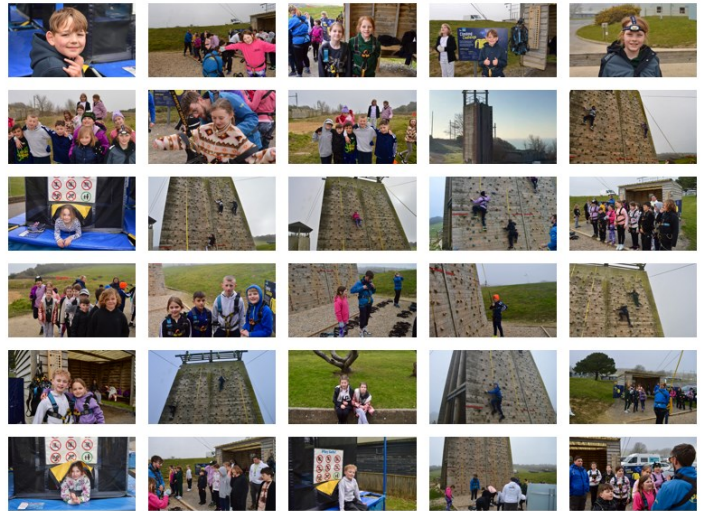
Please pop-in to help your child(ren) choose a book from our amazing range of wonderful books.



YEAR 5 RESIDENTIAL TRIP 2025



What a wonderful experience our Year 5 children had last week at Osmington Bay! From the moment they left school they were all fantastic ambassadors to Ashley Junior School. They all threw themselves into an action packed three days full of activities such as catapulting down the Zip Wire, team climbing up Jacob's Ladder and flying forwards on a giant swing - including the staff! None of them will forget the incredible food devoured hungrily in the centre's restaurant. We are very proud of all of the children.



'Letters home' links

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>

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>



Year 5 Visit

Science day at Arnewood
This week, Year 5 became investigative scientists -
They had to solve the mystery of the missing bunsen burner using chromatography, build a bridge structure using physics and examined the wonders of biology under the microscopes. This definitely sparked their curiosity!



Thank you for coming along to this week's

MATHS BOOKS

CELEBRATION!

It was great to see so many families sharing in the successes of their children's hard work.



Outdoor Learning Sessions Spring Term 2

Friday 21st March -Barn Owls

Friday 28th March—Skylarks

Friday 4th April -Kingfishers

Robin children will join their mainstream inclusion classes.



'Eat them to defeat them' is underway.

**EAT THEM
TO DEFEAT THEM**

from
VEGPOWER



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!**

**TOKEN
TIME**

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!



THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR TAKING PART IN THIS YEAR'S EASTER EGG COLLECTION DAY!



We were overwhelmed by your generosity and are really looking forward to being able to raffle them as part of this year's **EASTER BINGO AND RAFFLE** event on Friday 28th March.

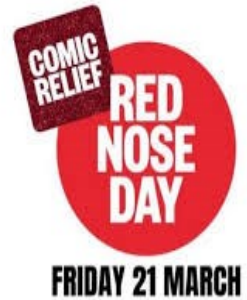
COMIC RELIEF - Red Nose Day

40th ANNIVERSARY

1985—2025

FRIDAY 21st March

'Wear something funny for money'



If they would like to, children can either
WEAR THEIR PJs ALL DAY or **'Dress-up like it's 1985'!**
in exchange for an online donation made to

Comic Relief:

<https://donation.comicrelief.com/cart/FV93BnQ5PYjcUGFHGMVOe>

**RED
NOSE
DAY**





Friday 28th March 2025

Doors open at 5:45pm Bingo 6.00pm—8.00pm



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.

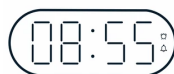


All schools are required to consider a fine when a child has missed 10 or more sessions (5 days) for unauthorised reasons.

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
Esme

Kestrel
Lyla

Kingfisher
Kara

Skylark
Arya

Barn Owl
Holly

Eagle
Ayla

Osprey
Luke

Merlin
Will

Robin
Ayaan



TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Wren
Rafe

Kestrel
Charlie

Kingfisher
Hannah

Skylark
Esther

Barn Owl
Theadora

Eagle
Iris

Osprey
Louisa

Merlin
Thomas



HIGH FLYER



Wren
Aidan

Kestrel
Theo

Kingfisher
Teddy

Skylark
Liam

Barn Owl
Atlanta

Eagle
Anya

Osprey
Yasmine

Merlin
Ruby

Robin
Raymond