



# Ashley Junior School

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Bulletin 14 Friday 12th December 2025



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### NEW EVENTS / FUNDRAISING EVENTS



15th December	Whole School Visit to Ashley Baptist Church ( children only)
17th December	Christmas Lunch, and 'Wear a Christmas Jumper' day (along with school uniform)
18th December	Christmas Craft Fair @ AJS, 2.00 - 3.00pm
19th December	School Finishes @ 1:30pm
22nd December—2nd January	Christmas Holiday
5th January	Inset day
6th January	Spring Term Starts
13th January	Year 5 OSMINGTON BAY PARENT MEETING: Q&A 3.40—4.10pm, Hall
14,15,16th January	Year 6 Bikeability (see email sent Monday 24.11.2025)
5th February	National Child Measurement Programme (Email sent 9.12.2025)
10th & 11th February	Spring Term Parent Consultations
16th—20th February	Half Term
23rd February	Inset day
4th—6th March	Y5 Osmington Bay
30th March—10th April	Easter break
w.b.11th May	Year 6 SATS week
25th—29th May	Half Term
1st June	Inset day
w.b. 2nd June - 12th June	Year 4 Multiplication Check

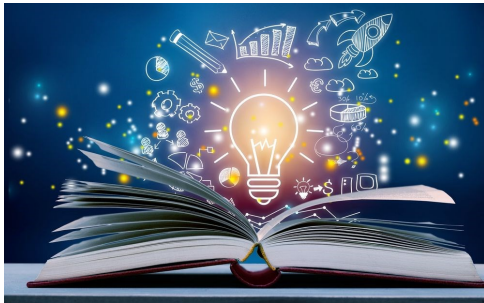


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The children's Autumn Term Reports were emailed to parents/carers this week. The reports provide valuable insights into your child's approach to learning and progress this term.

*If you have any questions regarding your child's report, please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's class teacher. You can do so by emailing the admin team:*

[adminoffice@ajs.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@ajs.hants.sch.uk)



The children of AJS have been working hard in their workshops creating a forest of beautiful Christmas Trees for the annual Light up Ashley competition. Incredibly, the total of entries has already surpassed last year's event, seeing a huge array of creations using purely recyclable materials. Judging will take place in the final week of the school term.

What a **Tree-mendous** effort!



## Thank you and goodbye, Mrs Harvey

Next week, we will be saying goodbye to the brilliant Mrs Harvey, our Science and Outdoor Learning Leader, and one of our Year 4 teachers.

Off to start new adventures, we are sure that you join with the AJS staff team in thanking her for everything that she has done over the six years that she has been with us.

*We wish her all the very best for the future...*



## Christmas Poetry and Music Performances

Our Christmas Poetry and Musical performances were a resounding success! It was lovely to see so many parents and carers in attendance, showing support for our pupils.

A special thank you goes out to all our pupils and staff who worked tirelessly to make this event memorable. The children's performances, featuring bells and boom whackers, showcased festive poems and Christmas songs, along with beautiful singing from the choir. Their dedication and creativity shone through.



**NEW FOREST BASIC BANK**  
Cannon Street East Car Park,  
Lymlington,  
Hampshire  
SO41 9BR

Wednesday 10th, December 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

#### Donation from the AJS Community

Last Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, a group of our Year 6 pupils (who we named 'The Cake Committee') ran a 'Bake Sale' after school. They spent hours planning and organising the event in the weeks leading up to it, and demonstrated great teamwork amongst them.

They chose **NEW FOREST BASIC BANK** as the charity that they wanted to fundraise for, and they raised a whopping **£110**, as well as an additional donation for school events, in the space of 20 minutes!

Please find attached a cheque for the amount our 'Cake Committee' raised - this is our school community's donation towards helping local families in need over the Christmas period.

Wishing you all a safe and happy Christmas, and a bright New Year.

With kind regards,

*Opafidovio*

**MRS CHARLIE BARTOLOMEO**  
HEADTEACHER

## CAKE SALE - The results!

**Very well done to our brilliant Year 6 Cake Committee, and their supportive families, for holding their first CAKE SALE last Friday, after school, in the hall.**

**Despite the high winds and torrential rain, the AJS families supported the team's efforts in their hundreds! Thank you to those who were able to step inside to buy a sweet treat.**

**In total, the Cake Committee raised a whopping £220!**

**They have donated half of this amount to a local charity, NEW FOREST BASICS BANK (see letter), and have given the other half to help fund future school events.**

**THANK YOU, CAKE COMMITTEE!**

We are really looking forward to welcoming our parents and carers to our AJS Christmas Craft Fair next Thursday!

This will be a wonderful opportunity to join in some festive cheer and enjoy the holiday spirit with our school community.

At this 'cash-only' fair, you will be able to purchase a variety of handmade creations, with prices starting as low as 20p and reaching up to £1.00.

*It'll be the perfect chance to find unique gifts and support our pupils' creativity...and a chance to 'Meet, Greet and Get a Sweet' with Ashley Junior School's Father Christmas!*

- At 2.00pm, the children will arrive with their class teacher and will be at their class stall at the start of the fair;
- Parents will then be invited to browse the fair along with their child;
- At 2.50pm, all AJS children will be asked to return to the class teacher and stall, in readiness for the end of the fair;
- When the fair ends at 2.55pm, parents will then leave site, and will then come back at 3.30pm to collect the children in the usual way!



## STAR READER

Benjamin

Summer

Rosen

Back Next Week

Curie

Heidi

Farah

Oscar

Simmonds

Phoebe

Zephaniah

Sophie

Kahlo

Evalyn

Attenborough

Phoebe

Earhart

Harry



## TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Benjamin

Dija

Rosen

Back Next Week

Curie

Harrison

Farah

Charlie

Simmonds

Priya

Zephaniah

Leticia

Kahlo

Kaitlin

Attenborough

Theadora



## ROLE MODEL OF THE WEEK

Benjamin

Leila

Rosen

Aden

Curie

Charlie

Farah

Matei

Simmonds

Everly

Zephaniah

Arya

Kahlo

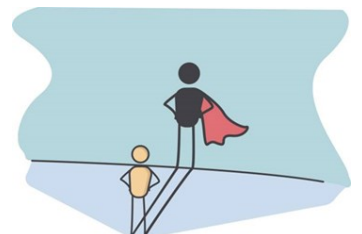
Leo

Attenborough

Amber

Earhart

Noah





## 'Letters home' links



**All letters sent home are available on our school website:**

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

## 'Local Look Out' - Local Community Communications:



<https://www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Local+Look+%2DOut&pid=105>

## ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER:



**Please click on the link below for our latest edition:**

[www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Online+Safety+Newsletters&pid=67](http://www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Online+Safety+Newsletters&pid=67)

## AJS Social Media Platforms

We wanted to remind you to check out our social media pages on Facebook and Instagram.

Our **Insta** and **FB** posts are a great way to keep up with all the latest happenings, celebrate pupils achievements, and stay informed about school events.

*Engaging with us online will help you to feel a part of our school community and share in the joy of your child's journey. Don't miss out on the fun!*

<https://www.facebook.com/share/16DqgnsR4E/?mibextid=wwXlfr>

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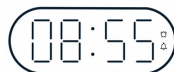


**All schools are required to consider a fine when a child has missed 10 or more sessions (5 days) for unauthorised reasons.**

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**.
- ⇒ **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.**