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Ashley Junior School NEWSLETTER

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Letters Home

All letters sent home are available on the school website https://www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Letters+Home&pid=71

Inset Days

Monday 4th January
Monday 22nd February
Monday 7th June

Local Look Out

Please see below for details of activities, events, information, and support available in our local area.
Further information, can be found on the school website https://www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Local+Look%2DOut&pid=105

November Dates

10th November	Year 5 Remembrance Service Assembly
13th November	Children In Need
16th November	Odd Sock Day Anti-bullying week
27th November	Sparkle & Shine Day (Details to follow)

Children In Need

On Friday 13th November, we will be supporting BBC Children in Need! On this day, children are welcome to come to school wearing something spotty, as part of a non-uniform day. If you would like to contribute to this worthy initiative, donations can be made through the following link: https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing all the amazing spotty outfits, should your child(ren) wish to take part!

Our Gym Mural Is Complete!

We are delighted to share that the mural in our school gym is now complete! We would like to invite parents and carers to come into school to view the finished artwork.
If you would like to see the mural, you are warmly welcome to join us on Tuesday 10th November, between 3:30pm - 3:45pm.
We look forward to welcoming you and sharing this wonderful addition to our school!

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Welcome back



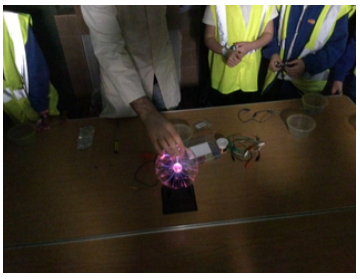
Year 6 Science Zone UK

Year 6 had a fantastic time at Science Zone UK, taking part in two exciting, hands-on workshops. During the Light Workshop, the children explored emission, absorption, reflection and refraction, using mirrors and lenses to investigate how light behaves and experimenting with different colours to discover how new colours are created. The day continued with the Electricity Workshop, where they investigated how fruits and vegetables can generate electricity, tested which foods made the most effective batteries and discovered how combining them could increase power. A particular highlight was the plasma globe, which demonstrated high voltage and lightning!

It was wonderful to see the children so enthusiastic, engaged and curious throughout the day, asking questions, making predictions and developing their scientific understanding through practical experiments. A brilliant day of discovery and learning! Thank you once again to all the parents who kindly contributed towards the cost of the trip, helping to make this valuable experience possible.







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AJS Wraparound Care - UPDATE

We are thrilled to share with you that AJS Extra will launch from Monday 23rd November 2026, with our Breakfast Buddies and Afternoon Amigos sessions!
Run by a rotation of our lovely AJS staff team, we are really looking forward to welcoming lots of our AJS pupils to this new venture.
Detailed information about booking and payments will be sent to parents on Friday 13th November – we can't wait to get started!



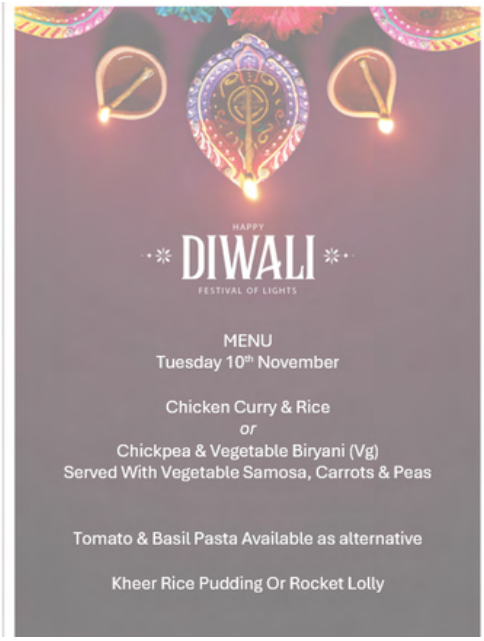
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Christmas Decoration Competition



Menu change 10th November

To celebrate Diwali, our school menu will be changing on Tuesday 10th November to mark the occasion.



SEND Area Inspection

Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission (CQC) will be inspecting Hampshire's Local Area SEND Partnership from 16–20 November 2026. Inspectors are keen to hear from parents and carers about their experiences of SEND support and services, regardless of whether their child has an EHCP or receives SEN Support. Families are encouraged to complete the short online survey to help inform future improvements to SEND provision across Hampshire.

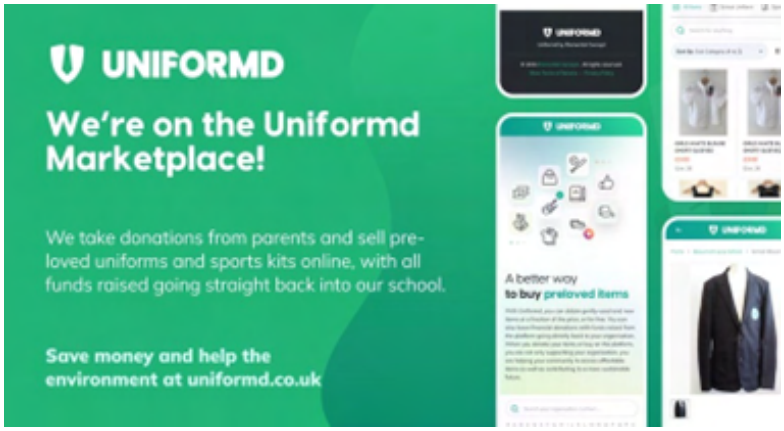
A letter containing further information about the inspection has been sent home today. To share your views, please click the link below to access the survey:

https://ofsted.smartsurvey.co.uk/p/AreaSend/10445011

If you require any assistance accessing or completing the survey, please contact the school office, and a member of our team will be happy to help.

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Online Safety Newsletter

Please click the link below for our latest edition of Online Safety Newsletter
https://www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Online+Safety+Newsletters&pid=67



Social Media

Stay Connected with Our School Community
We invite you to follow us on Facebook and Instagram to stay up to date with the latest school news, celebrate our pupils' achievements and keep informed about upcoming events and activities. By engaging with us online, you can stay connected and be part of our vibrant school community.

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Full List Of Diary Dates 26/27

NEW EVENTS / FUNDRAISING EVENTS / SCHOOL HOLIDAY

10th November	Year 5 Remembrance Service
13th November	Children in Need
16th November	Odd Sock Day - Anti-bullying week
27th November	Sparkle & Shine Day (Details to follow)
7th December	Poetry Performance Lower School Y3&4 (Details to follow)
8th December	Poetry Performance Upper School Y5&6 (Details to follow)
14th December	Whole School visit to Ashley Baptist Church
16th December	Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day
17th December	Christmas Craft Fair
21st December-1st January	Christmas Holidays
4th January	Inset Day
15th-19th February	Half Term
22nd February	Inset Day
10-12th March	Year 5 Osmington Bay Residential
26th March	Good Friday
29th March	Easter Monday (Bank Holiday)
30th March-9thApril	Easter Holiday
3rd May	Bank Holiday
31st May	Bank Holiday
1st-4th June	Half Term
7th June	Inset Day
22nd July –31st August	Summer Holidays