



# Ashley Junior School

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Bulletin 17 - Friday 19th January 2024



## Letters home link

Do remember all letters home are available on our new Website:

**Year 5**

**Arnewood School Production**

<https://www.ashleyjunior.school.co.uk/page/?ti-tle=Letters+Home&pid=71>



Thank you to those parents who have signed up to the Arbor App. The app allows parents/guardians to update personal records held in school for you and your child/dren and you can check attendance. With parents evening around the corner, you will be able to book your appointment via the app too. Details will be emailed shortly.

If you require assistance to log in to the app <https://login.arbor.sc/> or please contact the school office.

If you have not yet signed up for the Marvellous Me Parent app, then you are missing out on wonderful news updates about your child's learning!

**DON'T DELAY...SIGN UP TODAY!**



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**Attendance Matters**  
...every school day counts!

**TOKEN TIME**

**Please note that penalty notices can be issued to parents in these circumstances:**

- **Holidays taken during term-time**
- **Children who are persistently late for school**
- **Children who are persistently late after registration closes.**

**Please help your child in their AJS learning journey by making sure that they are in school everyday, on time.**

## Preloved School Uniform Shop



Get all your school essentials and more from our Preloved School Uniform Shop. Support the school, save money and be greener!



We also have a selection of polo shirts, coats, shoes, Christmas jumpers and dress-up items for school theme days.

Scan the QR code or visit our shop at <https://www.uniformo.co.uk/ashley-junior>



## Inclusive Table Cricket

On Wednesday Robin Class went to Brockenhurst College to take part in an Inclusive Table Cricket event. All the children had a lovely time and enjoyed learning a new sport alongside lots of other New Forest schools. They made Ashley proud with their skills and resilience. Well done Robins!



1. **8.2.24.—WINTER DISCOS - ADULTS MUST COLLECT PUPILS:** All children who attend *must* be collected by a known adult at the end of the discos. AJS pupils will not be permitted to leave site with an older sibling/family friend who is under the age of 18. *Thank you for you help with this-we want to help keep your child safe and well, as it will be a dark evening at collection times.*
2. **1.2.24. - Donate a Boxed Easter Egg for the Easter Raffle\* & children can wear Non-Uniform:** This year, we would love it if every child could donate a boxed Easter Egg to the Easter Raffle prize collection - boxed donations BIG and small, would be very welcome. In exchange for your donations, children can come to school in non-uniform...*please ensure that they are dressed appropriately for the weather conditions and wear 'sensible' footwear. THANK YOU!*
3. **22.3.24.—EASTER BINGO & \*RAFFLE NIGHT, 6-8pm:** Now a tradition in the AJS calendar of events, we are pleased to announce that Bingo Night and the Easter Raffle are back once again! Save the date in your diaries—more details to follow in a few weeks time. *Limited tickets will be on sale soon...get in quick!*
4. **4.7.24.—Summer Discos—** Save the date! Details to follow.



## # Wake Up Wednesday: Online Safety

<https://www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=%23WakeUpWednesday%3A+Online+Safety&pid=68>

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many devices which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [nationalonline-safety.com](https://www.nationalonline-safety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

# SMARTPHONE SAFETY TIPS

## for young people

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You may have been lucky enough to have unwrapped a smartphone at Christmas, or you might be eagerly anticipating getting a new one at some point during this year. Whether it'll be your first ever phone or an upgrade on your old model, it's always useful to have a refresher about how to set it up and adjust the settings to keep yourself – and your valuable personal info – safe and secure. We've collected some expert tips to help you enjoy your smartphone in the healthiest way possible.

### NEVER SHARE YOUR PASSCODE

Alongside face or fingerprint recognition, your passcode is crucial to unlocking your phone and accessing your apps and personal information. You shouldn't give it out, even to close friends – after all, you wouldn't hand them a key to your house and let them go in for a nosy around! If a friend wants to use your phone, ask them why and make sure you can see what they're doing with it.

### RESPECT PARENTAL CONTROLS

If you're allowed to have a smartphone, it's because your parents or carers feel that you're mature and responsible enough to use it safely. They might set controls and boundaries on your device – not to spoil your fun but to help you avoid hazards like too much screen time or costly in-app purchases. Following these rules means you can enjoy using your phone while respecting their wishes.

### TALK TO A TRUSTED ADULT

Whether it's to listen to music, play games, create content or chat with friends, using a smartphone should be fun. If you're ever feeling anxious, worried or scared about going on your phone, then something isn't right. It's important not to ignore these feelings; instead, talk to a trusted adult about what's happening and how it's making you feel.

### STAY ALERT

Two words: look up. It might sound obvious, but it's so easy to get immersed in what we're looking at or listening to on our phones that we can become unaware of our surroundings – or who might be around us. People often walk with their head down, focusing on their phone, and forget to check for obstacles in their path, cars or other pedestrians coming towards them, which is clearly dangerous.

### DEVELOP HEALTHY HABITS

Phones offer a vast amount of content and the chance to chat with friends whenever we feel like it, which can make it difficult to take time away from the screen. If that's something you struggle with, you could try setting time limits on certain apps. Putting our phones down for a while gives us more time to interact with others or do something physical that helps keep us fit and healthy.

### IGNORE UNKNOWN NUMBERS

There are some scammers who might call or text asking you to share personal data or to click on a link and provide your details. Some may claim to be from a genuine company, but trustworthy businesses don't spontaneously call or message to ask for your information. It's safest to ignore calls or texts from unknown numbers, and never give your personal details out over the phone.

### ONLY USE AGE-APPROPRIATE APPS

Before downloading a new app or game, check what age rating it has. Don't feel pressured into getting a particular game or app just because your friends are using it. If it's intended for older people, there's a definite risk that it could include content (which is violent or frightening, for instance) or language which isn't suitable and may leave you feeling upset or disturbed.

### REMOVE TEMPTATION

A good night's sleep is so important for concentration, mood and overall health. Unwinding properly before going to bed – which means not staring at a screen late at night – can often improve sleep quality. Put your phone on charge overnight, but not in your room. This means you'll have a lot less temptation to check any notifications, reply to messages or get caught up scrolling on social media.

### THINK ABOUT OTHERS

Watching videos, listening to music or calling someone can all help to pass the time while we're on the bus, waiting in a queue or walking down the street. It's important to remain mindful of other people, though: they might not want to hear your tunes or your conversation. Likewise, if you're calling from a public place then don't forget that anyone could overhear something personal about you.

### SWITCH OFF GEOLOCATION

In your phone's settings, you'll be able to disable geolocation for individual apps and photos: this means that people online (including strangers) can't see information about where you are when you share or post a pic. On the subject of images, it's also important to ask permission before taking or sharing a photo of someone – and don't share embarrassing images of your friends with others.

### Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutcliffe is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing Internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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# Ashley Junior School PTA Winter Disco



## Thursday 8th February 2024

### Timings

Lower School : 4:45pm—5:45pm

Upper School : 6:00pm—7:00pm

Cost per pupil £3.00

This includes unlimited refreshments

Booking and payment to be made via the school office

Cash payment only.

Deadline for booking - Friday 2nd February



# Premier Education

## Breakfast Club Special

This week at breakfast club at AJS we have had plenty of fun getting the children ready for the day ahead at school. We offer a wide range for breakfast, mini pancakes, toast, cereal selection, fresh fruit and juices. After breakfast there is a range of activities to do such as Jenga and arts and crafts with plenty of toys to play with. This week the children have had great fun working together to try and build towers out of the Jenga blocks. The juniors have done a great job with helping the infants and making the infants feel involved with every activity we do which is really good to see. Once the children have finished breakfast we go into the gym and do fun small games which is the children's favourite part of the morning before they go to school. And a big well done to the infants for walking to the infants brilliantly this week even in the freezing cold they have kept on going with a smile on their faces.

Special mention to some of our "Guests" Ellie and Jude, Casey and Meadow, Theia and Lumen, Luca and Matei, Max, Will, Harrison, Soren, Harrison etc etc!! We love seeing your smiling faces every morning and hearing about what you have been upto!! Don't stop coming and tell all your friends!!

Have a Great Weekend!

Mr K-S, Freddy, Sally & Vanessa



**FEBRUARY HALF-TERM**

## PREMIER HOLIDAY CAMPS

 **INSPIRING  
ACTIVITY**

 **SCAN HERE FOR  
MORE INFORMATION**  
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Based on over 20,000 reviews

## YOUR NEAREST MULTI-ACTIVITY CAMP

Venue: Ashley Junior School

Dates: Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th

Times: 0900 - 1500 / 1600 and 0800 - 1500 / 1600 / 1700

Price: Prices starting from £20 a day for normal school day

Ages: 4 - 11

Additional info: [contactldibden@premier-education.com](mailto:contactldibden@premier-education.com) for more

**PLEASE  
BRING**

- A packed lunch
- Plenty of water
- Suitable clothing
- Loads of energy!

Mix it up this half-term with our multi-activity holiday camps!

These camps are a perfect blend of activities for all ages, combining different sports with a variety of team games.

Every day is different, with a mix of fun activities that children may not have tried before – from roller skating to fencing, lacrosse to cheer.

**Book now** for a half-term full of fun!

## CAMPS ARE BETTER WITH FRIENDS!

## STAR READER

Wren  
Sophie

Kestrel  
Xander

Kingfisher  
Anya

Skylark  
Phoebe

Barn Owl  
Brooke

Eagle  
Munana

Hawk  
Rosie

Osprey  
Daisy

Merlin  
Florence

Robin  
Daniel



## TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Wren  
Sophia

Kestrel  
Morgan

Kingfisher  
Kaitlin

Skylark  
Freya-Rose

Barn Owl  
Thomas

Eagle  
Jackson

Hawk  
Alex

Osprey  
Aliou

Merlin  
Jeffin

Robin  
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## HIGH FLYER



Wren  
Preston

Kestrel  
Emma

Kingfisher  
Farley

Skylark  
Oliver

Barn Owl  
Jewel

Eagle  
Yasmine

Hawk  
Cody

Osprey  
Josh

Merlin  
Likha

Robin  
Tom

## TOP DOODLERS

Wren  
Maths Martha

Spelling Robin

Kestrel  
Maths Darcy

Spelling Lloyd

Kingfisher  
Maths Farley

Spelling Iris

Skylark  
Maths Grace

Spelling Alexeena

Barn Owl  
Maths Eilidh

Spelling Thomas

Eagle  
Maths Luke

Spelling Pearl

Hawk  
Maths Zachary

Spelling Eithan

Osprey  
Maths Ki

Spelling Isabel






Merlin  
Maths Joey

Spelling Thea










Robin  
Maths Ayaan

Spelling Alfie



Day	Club
Monday to Friday	<b>Premier Education - Wrap Around Care Provision</b> Breakfast Club 7:30am – 8:45am Afterschool Club from 3:30pm <a href="https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/21118/?location=new%20milton">https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/21118/?location=new%20milton</a>  <b>INSPIRING ACTIVITY</b>
Monday	<b>Southern England Karate Federation</b> Offering 'Sport Karate' from 3:30pm – 4:30pm for children. Contact Sensei Collin on 07966 303585 to book. <a href="http://www.sekf.co.uk">http://www.sekf.co.uk</a>  <b>Southern England Karate Federation</b>  <b>NJ Dance, New Forest</b> Acrodance Starting Monday 8th January - Monday 5th February from 3:30 - 4:15pm. block). To book a place for your Child please visit: <a href="https://app.classmanager.com/portal/nj-dance-new-forest/enrolment/classes/spring-term-2024-first-half-aqs-acrobatics">https://app.classmanager.com/portal/nj-dance-new-forest/enrolment/classes/spring-term-2024-first-half-aqs-acrobatics</a> Also Offering classes in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acrobatics</li> <li>• Ballet, Modern, Tap (Combined)</li> <li>• Musical Theatre</li> <li>• Street Dance</li> </ul> For children aged 3 years and above. Free Trials available in all classes - please kindly book via: <a href="https://app.classmanager.com/trials/nj-dance-new-forest?season_id=14">https://app.classmanager.com/trials/nj-dance-new-forest?season_id=14</a> <a href="http://www.njdancenewforest.com">www.njdancenewforest.com</a> <a href="mailto:njoydance@sky.com">njoydance@sky.com</a> 07739 847124 
Tuesday	<b>Shining Lights Performing Arts Academy</b> Offering drama, games, team exercises and performance opportunities from 3:30pm to 4:15pm for children in Year 3 to Year 6. Scan the QR code to book <a href="mailto:info@shininglightsperformingartsacademy.com">info@shininglightsperformingartsacademy.com</a>   <b>Bournemouth Gymnastics Club</b> Contact Cathy Woodland on 07547 733874 Please Note; there is a considerable waiting list for this club. 



<p>Wednesday</p>	<div data-bbox="284 47 989 398"> <p><b>South Coast Sports Academy</b></p> <p>Offering classes in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rugby</li> <li>Multi-sports</li> </ul> <p>For Children in Year 1 to Year 6</p> <p><a href="#">BOOK NOW   South Coast Sports Academy</a></p> <p>Scan QR code to book</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1005 47 1544 398">   </div>
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<p>Friday</p>	<div data-bbox="284 1518 1082 1709"> <p><b>Shining Lights Lunchtime Choir</b></p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>12:45 pm - 13:15pm</p> <p>Scan the QR code to book your child's place</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1082 1518 1544 1709">   </div>
<p>Friday</p>	<div data-bbox="284 1518 1082 1709"> <p><b>Zest Dance</b></p> <p>Offering afterschool dance club to children in Year 3 to Year 6 and private lessons.</p> <p>Contact <a href="http://www.zest-dance.co.uk">http://www.zest-dance.co.uk</a> to book</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1082 1518 1544 1709">  </div>
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<p>Friday</p>	<div data-bbox="284 1921 1082 2112"> <p><b>Titan Sports Academy</b></p> <p>Offering Tag Rugby for Year 1 – Year 6 from 3:30pm – 4:30pm.</p> <p><a href="http://www.titansportsacademy.co.uk/bookings">http://www.titansportsacademy.co.uk/bookings</a></p> <p><a href="mailto:rugby.titans.tsa@gmail.com">rugby.titans.tsa@gmail.com</a> 07877 781271</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1082 1921 1544 2112">  </div>
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Attendance Matters



**Families can take various steps to support pupils' attendance, so that every child is READY for school:**

- create opportunities, after school, for children to talk about their time at school
- staying up to date with all communications from school
- avoiding school absences where possible – for example, by arranging GP and dental appointments outside of school hours
- building consistent bedtime routines – sleeping well, for the right length of time, helps improve energy levels, mood and concentration
- establishing good morning routines at home to help children arrive at school on time, having had a good breakfast and ready to start the day

**Attendance Figures**



**Did you know? 90% attendance may seem like an acceptable level of attendance, but the reality is that 90% attendance means that your child will miss 19 days of the school year ...which is nearly 4 weeks!**

**97% and above** - Less than 6 days absence in a school year. Pupils with this attendance should achieve the best possible outcomes.

**96%** - 8 days absence in a school year. "Good attendance". Pupil with this attendance are more likely to achieve their targets.

**92%** - 15 days absence in a school year. Pupils with this attendance are missing 3 weeks of school per year; it will be difficult for them to achieve their best. AJS may ask for medical proof to authorise absences.

**90%** - 19 days absence over the school year. Pupils with this attendance are missing approximately a month (19 days) of school per year and may fall behind academically and socially. With this level of attendance, the Department for Education consider children to be a 'Persistent Absentee'. Parents will receive letters about attendance and be asked for a meeting to discuss attendance.

**85%** - 29 days of absence in a school year. These pupils are missing approximately 6 weeks of school a year. It will be very difficult for them to keep up and achieve their best and build relationships in school.

**80% - 75%** - Pupils with this attendance are missing a day for every week of school! It will be almost impossible to keep up with their work. Parents of pupils with this level of attendance will be made known to the Hampshire local authority Attendance Team and also may face legal action if there is no medical or other authorised reason for their child's absence.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

NEW EVENTS IN RED/CHARITY EVENTS IN PURPLE



### 2024

6th February

8th February

12th—16th February

19th February

20th February

1st March

1st March

4th—7th March

7th March

20th and 21st March

21st March

22nd March

28th March

29th March

1st—12th April

13th –16th May

27th—31st May

3rd June

4th July

23rd July

23rd July

### 2024/2025

2nd September

3rd September

4th November

24th February

2nd June

Y5 Osmington Bay Q&A 3:40pm -3:50pm

PTA Winter discos - save the date!

£3 per ticket.

Y3&4- 4:45 - 5:45pm &Y5&6 - 6.00 - 7.00pm.

Half Term

Inset Day

Inset Day

Donate a Boxed Easter Egg for the Easter Raffle\* & wear Non-Uniform: PTA event

Year 6 Bikeability

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World Book Day –details to follow

Parents' Evenings—details to follow

Year 5 Visiting Ashley Baptist Church

Details to follow

\*Easter Raffle and Bingo 6-8pm

Details to follow

School finishes at 1:30pm

Good Friday

Easter Holidays

SATs week

Half Term

Inset Day

PTA Summer Discos—Details to follow

Y6 Leavers Assembly (AM—Time TBC)

Y6 parents invited-details to follow.

School finishes at 1:30pm

Inset Day

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