



Ashley Junior School

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Bulletin 18 - Friday 26th January 2024



Letters home link

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

Website:

Whole School

Measles Information from Department for Education

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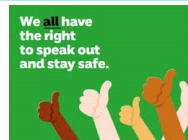
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This week, the children all took part in class assemblies which looked at how they can keep themselves safe. Our Year 5 & 6 children also welcomed staff from the NSPCC, who led workshops for them to take part in.

Our thanks goes to the NSPCC for coming to AJS to work with us.



08:55



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.

NHS Get Winter Strong -

Guidance on how to STAY well, to plan ahead and to access the right service, should you need it...

<https://www.hantsiowhealthandcare.org.uk/your-health/winter-help-and-support>



Following Hampshire County Council's attendance guidance for parents/carers, **'If you child is not able to attend school, you should let the school know:**

- The nature of the illness (although you may wish to talk confidentially about this)
- Whether your child has seen their GP, or whether an appointment has been made for some other specialist service
- How long you expect your child to be absent from school'

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**READY
RESPECTFUL
RESPONSIBLE**

IMPORTANT NOTICE: 'AIR-UP'* BOTTLES BANNED

After February half term, AJS pupils will not be allowed to bring Air-Up bottles, or *any similar brands/designs, into school.

We have had a *considerable* number of issues around these bottles being lost and/or taken, as well as children fiddling with, arguing over and removing pods during the day. Precious teaching and learning time has been lost having to deal with these issues, and children have been very upset if these issues have affected them.

This problem is reminiscent of the 'Prime' drink bottles issues that we dealt with last academic year.

AJS pupils should only bring in plain water in inexpensive bottles, every day; please ensure that these have your child's name on it.



Keep 'Air-Up' -type bottles for weekends and evenings – they are not appropriate for during the school day at AJS.

Thank you for your help with this issue.



60% of AJS parents are signed up to Arbor

83% of AJS parents are signed up to

Marvellous me



If you require assistance to log in to either of these platforms,
please contact the school office for help/advice.



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 your 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– Lower school 5:30pm- 6:30pm Upper school 6:45pm - 7:45pm**
SAVE THE DATE - DETAILS TO FOLLOW!

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

At after school club this week the children have done a wide range of fun activities from smoothie making to arts and crafts and many sporting activities including hockey and football. The children love getting involved working together and having fun! Each day we try to do a different range of fun activities to make sure the Children have fun and try something different each day and so there is something for all the children to do and enjoy whilst we are at afterschool club. On Wednesday this week the children had the choice between smoothie making and making paper airplanes which they all thoroughly enjoyed. In the smoothie making the children had a wide range of fruit to choose from so they can be creative they can also add juice and yoghurt to be even more creative to try and make a tasty smoothie that everyone has a taste of. The paper airplane pile also grew with the designs getting more wacky by the week. Once folded we had a race to see who had the best one the kids really enjoyed it and kept on racing and testing their paper airplanes.

All in another great week at Little Prems! If you would like a free taster session next half term please contact Mr K-S skingsleymith@premier-education.com for further details.

We are ready to take bookings for our February Fundays at half term please see the flyer below for further details

FEBRUARY HALF-TERM

PREMIER HOLIDAY CAMPS

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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: contact ldibden@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
Martha

Kestrel
Emma

Kingfisher
Arthur

Skylark
Brooke

Barn Owl
Aavai

Eagle
Tannah-Mae

Hawk
Isla

Osprey
Daniel

Merlin
Jeffin

Robin
Bonnie



TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Wren
Lucy

Kestrel
Mitch

Kingfisher
Kaitlin

Skylark
Alexeena

Barn Owl
Freddy

Eagle
Louisa

Hawk
Alex

Osprey
Logan

Merlin
Jeffin

Robin
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HIGH FLYER



Wren
Hunter

Kestrel
Jesvin

Kingfisher
Madison

Skylark
Molly

Barn Owl
Jack

Eagle
Ava

Hawk
Nicole

Osprey
Izzy

Merlin
Lottie

Robin
Holly

TOP DOODLERS

Wren
Maths Logan

Spelling Robin

Kestrel
Maths Luke

Spelling Priya

Kingfisher
Maths Iris

Spelling Theo

Skylark
Maths Phoebe

Spelling Theadora

Barn Owl
Maths Will

Spelling Mia

Eagle
Maths Sam

Spelling Luke

Hawk
Maths Ethan

Spelling Rosie

Osprey
Maths Kajetan

Spelling Daniel








Merlin
Maths Jeffin

Spelling Thea

Robin
Maths Isabelle

Spelling Tom



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

<p>Wednesday</p>	<div data-bbox="288 51 667 85">South Coast Sports Academy</div> <div data-bbox="288 91 687 237"> <p>Offering classes in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rugby Multi-sports <p>For Children in Year 1 to Year 6</p> </div> <div data-bbox="288 284 857 353"> <p>BOOK NOW South Coast Sports Academy Scan QR code to book</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1018 91 1251 327"></div> <div data-bbox="1273 85 1497 309"></div>
<p>Thursday</p>	<div data-bbox="288 1142 435 1171">Zest Dance</div> <div data-bbox="288 1180 1358 1290"> <p>Offering afterschool dance club to children in Year 3 to Year 6 and private lessons.</p> <p>Contact http://www.zest-dance.co.uk to book</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1385 1180 1544 1305"></div>
<p>Friday</p>	<div data-bbox="288 1332 751 1366">Bournemouth Gymnastics Club</div> <div data-bbox="288 1375 1058 1447"> <p>Contact Cathy Woodland on 07547733874 Please Note; there is a considerable waiting list for this club.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1398 1344 1517 1462"></div>
	<div data-bbox="288 1478 572 1509">Titan Sports Academy</div> <div data-bbox="288 1516 1083 1664"> <p>Offering Tag Rugby for Year 1 – Year 6 from 3:30pm – 4:30pm.</p> <p>http://www.titansportsacademy.co.uk/bookings rugby.titans.tsa@gmail.com 07877 781271</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1134 1541 1517 1653"></div>
	<div data-bbox="288 1709 617 1740">NJ Dance, New Forest</div> <div data-bbox="288 1749 1265 2195"> <p>Offering classes in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acrobatics Ballet, Modern, Tap (Combined) Musical Theatre Street Dance <p>For children aged 3 years and above.</p> <p>Free Trials available in all classes - please kindly book via: https://app.classmanager.com/trials/nj-dance-new-forest?season_id=14 www.njdancenewforest.com njoydance@sky.com 07739 847124</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1190 1787 1481 1966"></div>



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	Y5 Osmington Bay Q&A 3:40pm -3:50pm
8th February	PTA Winter discos - £3 per ticket. Y3&4- 4:45 - 5:45pm & Y5&6 - 6.00 - 7.00pm.
12th—16th February	Half Term
19th February	Inset Day
20th February	Inset Day
1st March	Donate a Boxed Easter Egg for the Easter Raffle* & wear Non-Uniform: PTA event (See PTA letter)
1st March	Year 6 Bikeability
4th—7th March	Year 6 Bikeability
7th March	World Book Day –details to follow
20th and 21st March	Parents' Evenings—details to follow
21st March	Year 5 Visiting Ashley Baptist Church Details to follow
22nd March	Easter Raffle and Bingo 6-8pm (See PTA Letter)
28th March	School finishes at 1:30pm
29th March	Good Friday
1st—12th April	Easter Holidays
30th April	Author Visit - Whole School morning session
13th –16th May	SATs week
27th—31st May	Half Term
3rd June	Inset Day
4th July	PTA Summer Discos Lower school 5:30-6:30pm Upper school 6:45pm - 7:45pm (Details to follow)
23rd July	Y6 Leavers Assembly (AM—Time TBC) Y6 parents invited-details to follow.
23rd July	School finishes at 1:30pm

2024/2025

2nd & 3rd September	Inset Day
4th November	Inset Day
24th February	Inset Day
2nd June	Inset Day