



# Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

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## Message from Mr. McConnell

Many thanks to everyone who found the time to respond to the parent survey in January. It's really encouraging for us to receive so much positive feedback and it helps to keep us pushing to keep Ashleigh a wonderful place to come to school. Where a question has responses that are a bit less positive, this gives us some good information about where we need to change things or communicate better. The full report is on the website under Our Performance/Parent Surveys.

## Golden Ticket Raffle Winners

**Barn Owl** – Brooklyn; **Bat** – Alfie, Niles and Leo; **Deer** – Lailan; **Fox** – Emma and Oliver J; **Birch** – Serenity and Elliott; **Hazel** – Cooper; **Elm** – Rose; **Maple** – Leo and Zumra; **Ash** – Lacie.  
A huge well done to everyone!

## Dodgeball tournament

Last Thursday some of our year 3,4 and 5 children went to take part in a dodgeball tournament at Robert Kett. The children were amazing and showed great teamwork, determination and resilience. Both teams won games and performed well with one team reaching the final against Browick. After an epic battle, we finished as runners up. It was a thoroughly enjoyable morning. Well done!



## Safeguarding Policy

The School's Safeguarding policy can be found at [Policies – Ashleigh Primary School](#)

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## Mobile Phones

Pupils may bring mobile devices into school if they have a reasonable reason to do so (e.g. walking to and from school alone), but they are not permitted to use them during the school day or on the school site. They should hand in their phones to the class teacher on arrival and ask for them back at the end of the school day. Children should not bring smart watches to school.

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## Reading Volunteers

If you are able to spare any time to come into school and listen to children read, please complete the application form -

<https://ashleighprimary.com/wp-content/uploads/Application-Form.docx> - and email it to [office@ashleigh.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:office@ashleigh.norfolk.sch.uk) or bring it in to the school office.

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## Ashleigh Friends

- We've already had lots of teams sign up for the quiz on Friday 2 March, but we still have more space - you can register online here: <https://forms.office.com/r/LZYFmsU6KN>
  - It's £10 per person (with an additional cost of £2 per person if you want the cod option).
  - And don't forget that The Original Factory Shop have chosen Ashleigh Friends as their charity of the year - every time you scan your TOFS loyalty card you're helping us!
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## Parent Information Sessions

We will be holding parent information sessions in the Spring term. The purpose of these meetings is to give you the chance to learn more about different aspects of what we do at school.

Phonics Workshop invites have been sent out, and the others will follow nearer to their dates.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Workshop Name</b>	<b>Workshop Audience</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> February	9:15-10:15	Phonics 2 - From pure sounds to blending	EYFS parents
14 <sup>th</sup> February	9:15-10:15	Phonics 3 - Storybook phonics	EYFS/Year 1 parents
28 <sup>th</sup> February	9:15-10:15	Times Tables	Year 4 parents
6 <sup>th</sup> March	9:15-10:15	Times Tables	Year 4 parents
13 <sup>th</sup> March	9:15-10:15	E-Safety/ Social Media	Years 4, 5 and 6 parents

19 <sup>th</sup> March	9:15-11:00	Anxiety Workshop	Parents/Carers
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## Talk Homework

***This week's questions are:***

<b>Reception</b>	<b>Understanding the World – Past and Present</b> Can you name the features you might see on a castle?
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Science</b> Can you find 5 things in your home made of different materials? (wood, glass, metal, plastic etc.)
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Maths</b> What are the different ways we can measure length?
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>History</b> Who were the Anglo Saxons and the Vikings?
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Geography</b> Can you name at least 5 famous human features around Norfolk?
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Maths</b> What is the difference between mixed numbers and improper fractions?
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Science</b> What are some of the differences between veins and arteries?

## Current Vacancies

### Caretaker

- **Permanent position**
- **Part time: 27.5 hours per week, Monday to Friday (8:00am-1:30pm)**  
(there is a possibility that this may increase to 32.5 hours per week in the future which would include a 6:30am start)
- **Term Time plus 4 weeks**
- **Salary: £15,948.66 pro-rata, Scale C (£11.98 per hour)**

### MSA

- **Salary: £11.59 per hour;**
- **Monday to Friday:** 1 hour twenty minutes per day  
(11:55am-1:15pm);
- **Term time only.**

Application forms are available from the school office or click [here](#)

## Parking

- We have been made aware of parking issues, particularly around Maple Close, at drop-off and pick-up times.
- To keep everyone as safe as possible, please:
  - Keep driveways clear;

- Avoid parking on corners and double yellow lines;
- Leave a few minutes earlier where possible;
- Park a little further away.

Thank you for your support.

## Diary Dates New or updated events

<b>2023-2024</b>	
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:15-10:15am Phonics Workshop</li> </ul>
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <span style="background-color: yellow;">1:45-3pm Reception Family Learning</span></li> </ul>
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dental Screening – <b>Reception to Year 6</b></li> </ul>
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:15-10:15am Phonics Workshop</li> </ul>
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 2</b> to High Lodge</li> <li>• <span style="background-color: yellow;">1:45-3pm Reception Family Learning</span></li> </ul>
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for half term</li> </ul>
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery reopen after half term</li> </ul>
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:15-10:15am Times Table Workshop</li> </ul>
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3pm Year 6 Boys' Football Match v Falcon (Away)</li> </ul>
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7pm Ashleigh Friends Quiz &amp; Chips</li> </ul>
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3pm Years 5 &amp; 6 Girls' Football Match v Old Catton (Away)</li> </ul>
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:15-10:15am Times Tables</li> </ul>
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>World Book Day</b> – children can dress as favourite book characters</li> <li>• 3pm Ketts Books – Book Fair at Ashleigh</li> </ul>
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 Mocks</b></li> </ul>
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 Mocks</b></li> <li>• 3pm Year 5 Boys' Football Match v St Williams (Away)</li> <li>• 3pm Year 6 Boys' Football Match v Drayton (Home)</li> <li>• 3pm Years 5 &amp; 6 Girls' Football Match v Poringland (Home)</li> </ul>
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 Mocks</b></li> <li>• 9:15-10:15am E-Safety/Social Media Workshop</li> </ul>
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Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <span style="background-color: yellow;"><b>Red Nose Day – Non-School Uniform</b></span></li> </ul>
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3pm Year 5 Boys' Football Match v White Woman Lane (Home) – Rearranged from 5<sup>th</sup> March.</li> <li>• 7:30pm <b>Ashleigh Friends AGM</b></li> </ul>
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:15-11am Parent/Carer Anxiety Workshop</li> </ul>
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3pm Years 5 &amp; 6 Girls' Football Match v Norwich Prep School (Home)</li> </ul>
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 5 Boys' Football Match v Taverham (Home)</li> </ul>
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-School Uniform Day – supporting Shelter</li> <li>• School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for Easter holiday</li> </ul>

Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First day of Summer Term: School &amp; Nursery reopen</li> </ul>
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 5</b> theatre trip</li> </ul>
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• p.m. <b>Year 4</b> Feelings &amp; Emotions Workshop</li> </ul>
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery closed for Bank Holiday</li> </ul>
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reception</b> Vision &amp; Hearing Screening</li> </ul>
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 SATs</b></li> </ul>
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Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 SATs</b></li> </ul>
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 SATs</b></li> </ul>
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1:30-4:30pm <b>Year 6 High Altitude Trip</b></li> </ul>
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• p.m. <b>Year 5</b> Wellbeing Workshop</li> </ul>
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for half term</li> </ul>
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery reopen after half term</li> </ul>
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sports Day (details to follow)</li> </ul>
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reserve Sports Day (details to follow)</li> </ul>
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 5</b> trip to Harry Potter World Warner Bros. Studio</li> </ul>
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• p.m. <b>Year 6</b> Transition Workshop</li> </ul>
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Discos – Reception to Year 5</b> (Details to follow)</li> </ul>
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a.m. <b>Year 6</b> to Crucial Crew at City College</li> </ul>
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 Leavers' Disco</b> (Details to follow)</li> </ul>
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-School Uniform Day – supporting Unicef</li> <li>• Last day of term: School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for Summer holiday</li> </ul>

## Free School Meals Application

To check if you are eligible for **free school meals** (Reception through to Year 6) please click [here](#).

## Community Events

### **Steps Community Food Store: The Hub, Ayton Road, NR18 0QJ**

- 9.15am–10.45am every Tuesday
- 2:00-4:00pm every Thursday

### **Wymondham Baptist Church – Uniform Swap Events.**

- Wymondham Baptist Church have planned two Uniform Swap events for the 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> April and 12<sup>th</sup> /13<sup>th</sup> July.
- Parents/carers can take uniform that your child has grown out of on or before the event and perhaps swap it for uniform in the size to fit their children.
- There will be no charge for the uniform.

### **Wymondham Magazine**

[Read the E-Edition here](#)



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