



# Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

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6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

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## Message from Mr. McConnell

- ★ Thank you to all of the parents and carers who have sent pictures of their children's out of school achievements to [office@ashleigh.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:office@ashleigh.norfolk.sch.uk) It's been lovely to see them displayed in the school.
- ★ This week I want to ask you all what clubs you would like to see running at lunchtimes over the winter this year. We don't have as much playground space as we'd like and it would be nice to offer some indoor clubs when the weather isn't as lovely as it is now.
- ★ Please click on the link [Lunchtime Clubs Form](#) to let us know. Enjoy the sunshine this weekend!

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## Golden Ticket Winners

### **Golden Ticket winners**

**Barn Owl** – Rosie; **Deer** – Hattie, Ezra and Lincoln;

**Birch** – Annabel; **Hazel** – Emily; **Elm** – Lula, William W and Georgia;

**Maple** – Parker and Harrison; **Mulberry** – Poppy and Lily; **Ash** – Max;

**Sycamore** – Preston.

A huge well done to everyone!

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## School & Nursery - Individual Photographs - Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October

- The School Photography Company will be visiting Ashleigh on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October to take individual photos.
  - Nursery children have received separate information this week.
  - Sibling photos are taken later in the year (for children in School only).
- Thank you.

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## Years 5 & 6 Girls' Football Team

We've been delighted with the amount of interest to play for the Years 5 & 6 girls' football team. That means we will be picking different children to play throughout the year. There will be more matches arranged after Christmas, and Mr Wheeler is planning to run an after-school football club for Years 5 & 6 girls in the spring and summer terms.



**Contact Us**  
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**Headteacher**

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## Multi-Sports Event

On Tuesday, some of our Year 1 and 2 children went to Robert Kett to take part in a multi-sports event. The children showed great determination and perseverance when participating in all the activities and were a credit to our school. Well done!



## Footwear in School for Break and Lunchtimes

If children are wearing shoes with no grips, can they please bring in a change for playtimes so they can play on the field and school play equipment. Thank you.

## Olly Day Road Safety Magic Show

- Last week, Years 2, 3 and 4 enjoyed the renowned 'Olly Day Road Safety Magic Show' which is commissioned by Norfolk County Council. This was a really engaging way to supplement the RSHE curriculum.
- One of our guiding stars at Ashleigh is 'safety' and we regularly talk to the children about how to stay safe.
- A leaflet will be sent home and we hope that you will join us in looking at this again with your child as well as regularly talking about how to stay safe when you are out and about.
- Key points to reinforce with your children:
  - Be bright at night;
  - Stop, Look, listen and think;
  - Always wear a seatbelt;
  - Wear a cycle helmet.



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## Christmas Performances: New Dates

The following details have been added to the Diary Dates section at the end of the Newsletter but please make a note of the dates:

Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 9:30am <b>Reception</b> Performance</li><li>• 2:00pm <b>Reception</b> Performance</li></ul>
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 9:30am <b>Year 1</b> Performance</li><li>• 2:30pm <b>Year 1</b> Performance</li></ul>
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• p.m. <b>Year 2 Abbey Performance</b> (timings to follow)</li></ul>
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>School &amp; Nursery Festive Lunch</b></li></ul>

**Details of Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Christmas activities will follow.**

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## Parent Evening Appointments - 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October

- Invitations to book an appointment are being sent out by text/email today.
  - The meetings will take place in your child's classroom.
  - If you have any issues booking an appointment please contact the school office, who will be able to help, and there is a link below to a parents' guide.  
<https://support.eduspot.co.uk/guide/parents-evening-parent-guide/>
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## Reception to Year 6 - Flu Vaccinations Consent

- To give consent for your child to have the flu vaccine, please click **here**
  - Even if you do not wish for your child to have the vaccine, please complete the online form so that the Team can record your wishes.
- Thank you.
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## Ashleigh Friends

- Are you interested in having a stall at this year's Christmas fayre? Stalls are just £10 each (plus raffle prize donation) - please contact us at [ashleighfriendspta@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ashleighfriendspta@hotmail.co.uk) if you'd like to know more.
- Don't forget to keep donating your empty, clean jars into the office please! They can be any size, and plastic or glass but they need to be see-through and they definitely need to be empty!
- We're also now on Instagram - follow us at "ashleighfriendspta" to keep up to date with events and news.
- Our next event is our **Autumn Cake Sale on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October** - more info on this next week!
- If you haven't joined our mailing list yet then please email [ashleighfriendspta@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ashleighfriendspta@hotmail.co.uk) - and don't forget to follow us on Facebook too.

## Talk Homework

*This week's questions are:*

<b>Reception</b>	<b>Understanding the World: People, Cultures and Communities</b> Where do you live? What is your home like? What do you see on your way to school?
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>DT</b> What materials are the best to use to make your puppet?
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Guided Reading</b> Why do all the animals follow Fantastic Mr Fox?
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Computing</b> What is an algorithm?
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Maths</b> Can you round 3,679 to the nearest 100 or 10 using the nosey neighbour method?
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>History</b> Was Alfred the Great really great?
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Science</b> How many vertebrate groups can you name? How many invertebrate groups can you name?

## Advert for Midday Supervisory Assistant

- Salary – £10.60 per hour;
- Monday – Friday: 1 hour twenty minutes per day (11:55am-1:15pm);
- Term time only;
- We are seeking to appoint a Midday Supervisory Assistant to join our friendly, enthusiastic team;
- Duties include supervision of children within school, in outdoor areas and leading play and games;
- You will need to have a calm and caring manner and enjoy working with children. Being friendly, approachable and able to develop positive and constructive relationships with children and staff is essential. You will receive training as required.
- Application forms are available from our website or the school office.

## Diary Dates **New or updated events**

<b>2023-2024</b>	
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	• Individual School & Nursery Photos
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	• 3.15pm Years 5 & 6 Girls' Football v Colman (Home) • 3.15pm Year 5 Boys' Football v Queen's Hills (Home)
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	• <b>3.00pm Year 6 Boys' Football v Eaton (Away)</b>
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	• 3.15pm Year 5 Boys' Football v Drayton (Home)
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	• 3:00pm Ashleigh Friends Bake Sale
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	• Evening News edition containing First Class supplement (Reception class photos)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery close for half term</li> </ul>
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery reopen</li> </ul>
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:00-10:00am Ashleigh Friends Coffee Morning &amp; Pre-Loved Uniform Sale</li> </ul>
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3.15pm Year 5 Boys' Football v Avenues (Away)</li> </ul>
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4:15pm, 5:15pm; 6:15pm <b>Reception Tours for September 2024</b></li> </ul>
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reception NCMP</b></li> </ul>
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ashleigh Christmas Fayre 10am-2pm</b></li> </ul>
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>9am Reception Performance Dress Rehearsal</b></li> </ul>
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>9am Reception Performance – DVD Filming</b></li> </ul>
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Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery reopen</li> </ul>
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery close for half term</li> </ul>
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery reopen</li> </ul>
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery close for Easter holiday</li> </ul>
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• INSET Day</li> </ul>
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery reopen</li> </ul>
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reception Vision &amp; Hearing Screening</b></li> </ul>
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 5 trip to Harry Potter World Warner Bros. Studio</b></li> </ul>

## Free School Meals Application

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

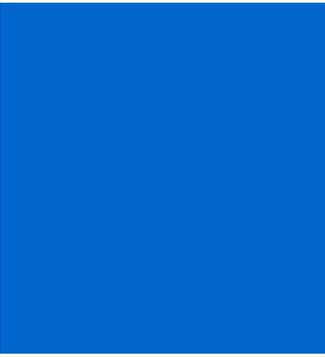
## Community Events

### **Steps Community Food Store**

- 9.15am – 10.30am every Tuesday
- Thursday morning by appointment
- The Hub, Ayton Road, Wymondham, NR18 0QJ. Tel: 07709 786618  
E:info@hubproject.org.uk

### **Wymondham Abbey – A Green Halloween**

- Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October from 4:30-6:30pm;
- Join us for a nature-themed Halloween event for all ages in the Wymondham Abbey church and churchyard;
- Starts 4.30 pm with a blessing of the churchyard;
- Craft activities inside the church;

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- Bat, Moth and Bug-hunting with WyNG (Wymondham Nature Group) & NWT (Norfolk Wildlife Trust) members;
  - Homemade Pumpkin Soup to enjoy;
  - Come in old clothes and bring a torch, waterproofs and wellies for exploring our amazing churchyard wildlife;
  - To find out more, contact Hilary on 01953 605672;
  - FREE event - no need to book – just come along and enjoy yourselves!



# Norfolk County Council 2023-2024

## Norfolk Model Calendar

This calendar applies to community schools, community special schools, VC schools and nursery schools and sets the days on which school transport will be provided. While most Foundation, VA, foundation special, free schools and academy trusts who are able to set their own dates, adopt the Norfolk Model, we advise you to check with your child's school before making holiday or other commitments.

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