



# Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

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## Message from Mr. McConnell

Welcome to this week's (slightly delayed) newsletter! We're hoping that we are lucky with the weather on Wednesday and that it doesn't rain too much. If you can make it to the family picnic, please make sure you're as prepared as possible for showers. We're all looking forward to welcoming you!

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## Golden Ticket Raffle Winners

**Hedgehog** – Eli; **Squirrel** – Anabelle;  
**Deer** – Millie and Ini;  
**Fox** – Martin and Emma;  
**Birch** – Ivy and Sophie; **Hazel** – Elijah;  
**Maple** – Frankie-Rose and Charlie; **Elm** – Rose  
**Ash** – Zak and Elliot  
**Sycamore** – Luke.  
Well done everyone!

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## Year 6 Leaver's Performances -

There is a slight amendment to the previously advised times for the Year 6 Leaver's Performances. They will take place on:

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm and 6.30pm**  
**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm.**

We look forward to welcoming you all to what we are sure will be wonderful performances!

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## Ashleigh Friends

Frozen Fridays are back! Thanks to everyone who came and bought an ice lolly today - remember we will be on the playground each Friday at 3pm from now until July 12th. £1 per lolly.

Wednesday 12th June should be sports day (weather permitting). At lunch time there will be an ice lolly sale on the field from 12-12:40. We also have Coffeesmiths joining us with a hot drinks van.

On Thursday 13th June there will be a preloved uniform sale on the playground after school. Come and grab some bargains for the new school year! £1 per item.

Thanks to everyone who attended this week's meeting at the pub. We did lots of summer term planning and were excited to share these with you when we can!

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## Sports Day Timings

We are looking forward to Ashleigh Sports Day on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June**. **Although the weather is predicted to be changeable with a few scattered showers here and there, the event will go ahead as planned.**

Timings will be:

- \* 9:15 – 11:45 **Years 3-6 Sports Day**
- \* 11:45 -12:45 Lunch – Family Picnic
- \* 13:00 - 14:45 **Reception, Years 1 & 2 Sports Day**

**Access to the school during Sports Day outside of normal drop off and collection times will only be via Lime Tree Avenue.**

We will confirm by lunchtime on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June whether Sports Day will be going ahead (our reserve date in case of bad weather is Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June).

The only school lunch option on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June will be a school packed lunch. Please make sure any school lunches are ordered by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June. Otherwise please send your child/ren with a home packed lunch.

### **What will the children need to wear?**

Children will need to come to school wearing their sports day kit. Normal PE kit can be worn all day. As we are competing in house teams, we like children to wear the colour of their house so please could they wear a t-shirt of the following colour:

- \* Orion – Red
- \* Hydra – Green
- \* Pegasus – Blue
- \* Hercules – White

If your child is not sure what house they are in, please ask their teacher.

Sports Day is a chance for children to participate in a mix of different activities, we want to encourage all children to enjoy sport and be active. Children will be given an opportunity to opt in to more competitive races at the end of sports day.

We're delighted to say there will be the opportunity to buy hot and cold drinks so please bring some cash if you think you might like to take

advantage of this on the day! We will also be selling ice lollies at lunchtime.

The PTA are also kindly providing a free ice pop for each child.

[Ice pop ingredients](#)

We hope you will be able to join us!

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## Reception African Drumming Performance - 2pm, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July

Reception parents/carers are invited to join us for Reception's African Drumming performance at 2pm on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July.

Access will be via the school office.

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## School Uniform Orders

- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July - this is the last date for school/parents to place orders for Free to School delivery before the end of term;
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July - last date for deliveries to school before the end of term;
- Free to school option will be made available again from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September, for deliveries to school w/c 16<sup>th</sup> September

Birds of Dereham, Unit D, 13 Yaxham Road, Dereham, NR19 1HB  
Telephone 01362 692941

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## Talk Homework

<b>Reception</b>	<b>Understanding the World: The Natural World</b> Which animals live in a woodland?
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>RE:</b> Can you retell the creation story from Christianity, Hinduism and Judaism?
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Geography:</b> How might people in Kampong Ayer travel around? How is it different to how we travel around Wymondham?
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>History:</b> Who built the pyramids and why were they built?
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Geography:</b> Discuss what you learnt about the River Tiffy.
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Art:</b> Is street art ok to do?
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>History:</b> Why did Britain build an empire? Can you name some countries which were part of the British Empire?

## Free School Meals Payments

The Free School Meal voucher scheme has been extended from May to October 2024 and the following payments will be made to eligible families:

Month	Amount Per Eligible Child*	Payment Date
June	£15	07/06/2024
July	£30	05/07/2024
August	£30	09/08/2024
September	£15	06/09/2024
October	£15	11/10/2024

Please note that you have to apply separately for individual children, younger siblings do **not** qualify automatically.

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

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

### **From September 2024**

**School Opening Hours: 8:30am-3:00pm**

**Nursery Opening Hours: 8:30am-3:15pm**

<b>2023-2024</b>	
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 3pm Ashleigh Friends 'Frozen Friday'</li></ul>
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sports Day</li></ul>
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Year 3</b> trip to Sandringham</li><li>• 3pm Ashleigh Friends 'Frozen Friday'</li></ul>
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2:30pm <b>Orchard</b> Parents' Transition Meeting</li></ul>
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Reserve Sports Day</i></li></ul>
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Year 1</b> trip to Banham Zoo</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><li>• 3pm Ashleigh Friends 'Frozen Friday'</li></ul>
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 10am-4pm Wymondham Food &amp; Drink Festival</li><li>• Visit the Ashleigh Friends stall!</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>
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 9:00-10:00am parent/carer meeting for Reception September 2024 intake</li></ul>
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Year 4</b> trip to Royal Norfolk Show</li></ul>
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2pm Childminders' Meeting</li><li>• 3pm Ashleigh Friends 'Frozen Friday'</li></ul>
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• School transition morning to September classes</li></ul>
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 3pm Ashleigh Friends 'Frozen Friday'</li><li>• <b>Discos – Reception to Year 5</b> (Details to follow)</li></ul>
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2pm <b>Reception</b> African Drumming Performance</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> <li><b>Year 2</b> to Gressenhall</li> </ul>
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3pm Ashleigh Friends 'Frozen Friday'</li> <li><b>Year 6 Leavers' Disco</b> (Details to follow)</li> </ul>
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.30pm and 6:30pm <b>Year 6</b> Leavers' Performance (moved from 17<sup>th</sup> July)</li> </ul>
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:30pm <b>Year 6</b> Leavers' Performance</li> </ul>
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Non-School Uniform Day – supporting Unicef</b></li> <li>3pm Ashleigh Friends 'Frozen Friday'</li> <li>Last day of term: School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for Summer holiday</li> </ul>

<b>2024-2025</b>	
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School reopens after Summer Holidays</li> <li>Reception transition sessions</li> <li>Nursery transition sessions</li> </ul>
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reception transition sessions</li> <li>Nursery transition sessions</li> </ul>
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reception transition sessions</li> <li>Nursery transition sessions</li> </ul>
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reception 8:30am-1:00pm</li> <li><b>Year 4</b> Bikeability Sessions (details to follow)</li> </ul>
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reception 8:30am-1:00pm</li> </ul>
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reception 8:30am-1:00pm</li> </ul>
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Reception</b> full-time attendance</li> </ul>
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6</b> Residential</li> <li><b>Year 4</b> Bikeability Sessions (details to follow)</li> </ul>
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6</b> Residential</li> </ul>
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6</b> Residential</li> </ul>
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for half term</li> </ul>
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School &amp; Nursery reopen after half term</li> </ul>
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Reception to Year 6</b> Flu Vaccinations</li> </ul>
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a.m. <b>Reception to Year 6</b> Flu Vaccinations ('mop-up' session)</li> </ul>
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for Christmas holidays</li> </ul>
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School &amp; Nursery reopen after Christmas holidays</li> </ul>
Fri 14 <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 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School &amp; Nursery reopen after half term</li> </ul>
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for Easter holidays</li> </ul>
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School &amp; Nursery reopen after Easter holidays</li> </ul>
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bank Holiday – School &amp; Nursery closed</li> </ul>
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6</b> SATs</li> </ul>
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6</b> SATs</li> </ul>
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6</b> SATs</li> </ul>
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6</b> SATs</li> </ul>

Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for half term</li> </ul>
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Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for Summer holidays</li> </ul>

## 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 Great Big Green Week – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June**

<https://www.greeningwymondham.org/great-big-green-week-2024>



### **Nelson's Journey Walk of Smiles – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June, 10am-2pm** **Grounds of the Octagon Business Park, NR13 5FH**

- Join our 2 or 2.5 mile walk in the local countryside to remember a loved one or to support those grieving, followed by a family fun afternoon.
- Registration £3.

- Under 5s – Free.
- Pre-booking required.
- On the day price £5.
- 2 mile route is wheelchair and buggy accessible.
- Free arts and crafts; fete games; food stalls; raffle and tombola; meet the Pets as Therapy dogs; bring your own cuddly toy to our Teddy Bear TLC stall.
- <https://www.facebook.com/nelsonsjourney.norfolk>

### **Anarchy at the Abbey – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June, 5-8pm**

Every year Wymondham High Academy run a Medieval/Tudor event for all Year 7 students at Wymondham Abbey. This year they have extended the event into the evening of Wednesday June 19<sup>th</sup> 5-8pm. Please feel free to come along and sample 10 different aspects of Wymondham life in the year 1138. £5 for adults, children go free.

<http://www.wymondhamabbey.org.uk/livinghistory>

### **Wymondham Food & Drink Festival – Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024**

10am-4pm, Market Cross.

- Over 60 food and drink stalls;
- Family entertainment;
- Makers market;
- Live music;
- Visit the Ashleigh Friends stall!



### **Junior Bake Off (Ages 9-11), Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July:**

- Join us to celebrate 50 years of North Wymondham Community Centre and take part in this fun activity with lots of surprises!
- Ages 9-11 Limited spaces

- Judging will take place at North Wymondham Community Hall on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024, which happens to be World Chocolate Day, with the Wymondham Chocolate Fest event being held from 11:00am - 3.00pm, so you can join in with all the chocolatey fun before the big announcement of who is the Junior Bake Off Champion!
- To sign up your Junior Bakers and receive their information pack, which includes a cupcake recipe and the theme for decorating the celebration cupcakes, contact:
- NWCA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Team
  - Email: [belindagallagher@hotmail.com](mailto:belindagallagher@hotmail.com)
  - Mob: 07801370213
  - North Wymondham Community Centre - 44 Lime Tree Avenue - Wymondham - NR18 0HH
  - Website: <https://nwca.org.uk>

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

- Wymondham Baptist Church have planned a Uniform Swap event for the 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.

### **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July, 11am-3pm: Star Throwers Garden Party**

Star Throwers Centre, 30 Melton Road, Wymondham

- Grand raffle, Tombola, Chocolate tombola, Guess the weight of the cake, Entertainment, Refreshments, Crafts, Jar tombola and much more!
  - To donate a raffle/tombola prize or baked goods please contact [teresa@starthrowers.org.uk](mailto:teresa@starthrowers.org.uk)
  - [www.starthrowers.org.uk](http://www.starthrowers.org.uk)
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# 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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 Yellow dates - pupil holiday  
 Red dates - bank holiday

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