



Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

9th December
2022

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Message from Mr. McConnell

A massive thank you to everyone who helped with the Christmas Fayre last Saturday – it was amazing to see so many of you there, getting in to the Christmas spirit but it was all due to the hard work of the PTA and I just wanted to take this chance to say that they are amazing!

Also, it was great to see so many of you this week in Nursery, at our Reception Nativity, our Year 1 singing and our Year 2 carols at Wymondham Abbey!

Golden Ticket Winners

A massive well done to all the golden ticket winners this week!
Rupert and Elliot – Squirrel; Olivia – Hedgehog; Ini – Barn Owl;
Ralph and Ivy - Fox; Poppy and Stefan – Birch; Alfie and Zach - Maple
Jared, Poppy and Tia – Mulberry; Billy – Ash; Maisy - Sycamore.

Christmas Performances Next Week

- 2:40pm Monday 12th December: **Year 6** Carols
- 2:10pm Tuesday 13th December: **Year 1** African Drumming Performance*
- 2:40pm Tuesday 13th December: **Year 4** Carols*
- 2:40pm Wednesday 14th December: **Year 5** Carols
- 2:40pm Thursday 15th December: **Year 3** Carols

* For parents/carers with children in **Years 1 and 4**, the African Drumming performance will finish in time for you to attend the carol performance.

Ashleigh Friends

- Thank you to everyone who came to the Christmas Fayre on Saturday - it was a great day and we hope you all enjoyed it.
- Thank you also to the volunteers and everyone who donated cakes, chocolate, raffle prizes - we couldn't have done it without you!
- We will announce the total raised next week.
- And we're going to be selling Christmas activity bags, hot chocolate cones and sweetie bags after school next week, to help you get into the festive spirit. Come and find us on the playground on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday!

Christmas Cards

- Please post any Christmas cards in the class post-box, or hand to the teacher, by Wednesday 14th December.
- Children will need to know first name and initial, and class of the child they are writing a card for.
- Children will receive all of their cards to open at home.

Ashleigh Christmas Tree at Wymondham Abbey

Nursery and Reception children have been creating decorations for Ashleigh's Christmas tree, which is on display at the Abbey.

Talk Homework - Week 6

Thank you so much for continuing to talk to your children at home about their learning. It is so great to hear about what they have discussed and see the impact of this in the classroom!

This week's questions are:

Reception	Understanding the World - People Culture & Communities How do you celebrate Christmas with your family? What traditions do you have?
Year 1	English What is an instruction? Can you remember the instructions on how to make a snowflake?
Year 2	RE Can you retell the Nativity Story?
Year 3	Computing In computer programming what do we mean by a loop?
Year 4	Maths How many numbers can you find in both the 4 and 6 times tables?
Year 5	Science What are the phases of the moon called? What is it now?
Year 6	Science How has a polar bear adapted to its environment?

After School Clubs

- There are no after-school clubs next week (Treehouse is open as normal).

Flu Nasal Vaccination

- Flu Nasal/IM Vaccination UK would like to offer those parents/carers whose children did not receive the Flu vaccine in school the opportunity to attend one of our Catch-up Clinics.
 - We will be operating our clinics on a 'Walk-in' basis and therefore no appointment is necessary.
 - All clinics will be available from **10:00 – 14:00** in the following areas on the following dates (Wymondham dates are below, see separate email with flyer of all venues and dates).
 - If you require an IM, please contact us prior to the clinic you wish to attend. This will enable us to bring enough vaccines with us on the day.
 - **Wymondham:** 3 St Mary's Court, Barnham Broom Rd, NR9 4AL:
 - **17th December & 21st December**
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New Mental Health Advice Website

- New mental health **for parents and carers** is now available on the website <https://thismayhelp.me/>
- It gives easy to follow advice to help families manage their child's mental health and was developed by NHS professionals and parents who've been through their own child's mental health journey.

Diary Dates

New or updated events

2022-2023 Dates	
Mon 12 th Dec	• 2:40pm Year 6 Carols
Tues 13 th Dec	• 2:40pm Year 4 Carols
Wed 14 th Dec	• a.m. Year 6 Swimming • Christmas Lunch & Festive Clothes • 2:40pm Year 5 Carols
Thurs 15 th Dec	• 2:40pm Year 3 Carols
Fri 16 th Dec	• 9:30-11:30am LINKS Meeting at Robert Kett • School closes for Christmas holidays
Tues 3 rd Jan 2023	• Staff INSET Day
Wed 4 th Jan	• School reopens for Spring Term
Wed 11 th Jan	• a.m. Maple class Swimming
Wed 18 th Jan	• a.m. Maple class Swimming
Wed 25 th Jan	• a.m. Maple class Swimming
Wed 1 st Feb	• a.m. Maple class Swimming
Wed 8 th Feb	• a.m. Maple class Swimming
Fri 10 th Feb	• School closes for February half term
Mon 20 th Feb	• School reopens after half term
Thurs 2 nd Mar	• Group of Years 3-6 Girls' Football Event (rearranged from October 2022)
Sat 11 th Mar	• Family Voice Annual Conference, John Innes Centre www.familyvoice.org.uk
Fri 17 th Mar	• Red Nose Day
Fri 31 st Mar	• School closes for Easter holidays
Mon 17 th Apr	• Staff INSET Day
Tues 18 th Apr	• School reopens for Summer Term
Mon 1 st May	• School closed for Bank Holiday
Mon 8 th May	• School closed for additional Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation
Tues 9 th May	• Year 6 SATS
Wed 10 th May	• Year 6 SATS
Thurs 11 th May	• Year 6 SATS
Fri 12 th May	• Year 6 SATS
Fri 26 th May	• School closes for half term
Mon 5 th Jun	• School reopens after half term
Wed 14 th Jun	• Sports Day & Family Picnic
Wed 21 st Jun	• Sports Day Reserve (if 14 th June is cancelled)
Fri 7 th Jul	• From 4pm – Reception to Year 5 PTA Discos
Fri 14 th Jul	• From 4pm – Year 6 Leavers' Disco
Fri 21 st Jul	• School closes for Summer holidays