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Message from Mr. McConnell

I'd like to wish everyone a very safe and happy half term. We look forward to seeing you all back on Monday 20th February but have a great week in the meantime!

Question of the Week

How could we make our website www.ashleighprimary.com more useful to parents? Click [here](#) to let us know.

Golden Ticket Winners

A massive well done to all the golden ticket winners this week!

Hedgehog – Brooklyn; **Squirrel** – Ryta; **Deer** – Lacey;
Fox – Isla, Madison and Sophie; **Birch** – Rosalie; **Hazel** – Eliza and Jackson;
Elm – Sophia; **Maple** – Max; **Mulberry** – Rose; **Ash** – Isla and Sophie.

Year 6 Information

- Up until now, Year 6 have been using the two workbooks where a page from each is set as homework. However, for the February half-term, we will be sending home, with the children, a homework pack which should prove to be really useful in helping the children to keep all of their knowledge and skills ticking over through the break. The tasks are designed to be 5-10 minute activities but done on a daily basis rather than all at once.
- You may have half-term plans so please just encourage your child to do what they can.
- Children will also bring home a brown envelope with their most recent test papers in so you can see how they got on.
- After the half-term break, there is a Year 6 Art Gallery and SATs information evening – **Tuesday 28th February at 6pm**. *Please note that this is a date change from Friday 24th February, we apologise for any inconvenience caused.*
- This will be a fantastic opportunity for the children to showcase their art achievements from this academic year and it will also be a great time for us to deliver some key messages to you so that you can support your children with their upcoming SATs. During this event, we will also be providing you with the children's homework replacement which will be their SATs Buster books!
- If you cannot attend we will send the information and books home afterwards.

Parents Evening Appointments

- School parents' evenings will be Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd March.
- Nursery parents' appointment dates will be confirmed after half term.
- (Booking invitations will be sent via Teachers2Parents by 24th February).

Ashleigh Friends

- We are pleased to announce that tables for the table top sale on Saturday 11th March will **go on sale on Monday 20th February** (the first day back after half term);
- Tables are £7 each; tables will be inside the school (mainly in the two halls);
- The school will send round an email on Monday 20th with a link to a booking form and all of the information that you need. Tables will be sold on a first come, first served basis and until the PTA has received payment (by cash, cheque or BACS) we will not be able to confirm your booking;
- Pre-loved school uniform will be for sale on the day;
- We will also be selling refreshments in aid of the PTA on the day, so would love to hear from you if you could spare half an hour or so to help (as a break from shopping!).
- Donations of cakes would also be very welcome – nothing containing nuts, thank you.

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Talk Homework

This week's questions are:

Reception	Understanding the World - Past & Present What was life like in a castle long ago?
Year 1	Music Listen to your favourite song, can you clap to the beat?
Year 2	Geography How does a key work on a map? What symbols might there be?
Year 3	Maths How many mm are there in a cm, how many cm are there in a m, how many m are there in a km?
Year 4	Geography Can you name at least 5 famous physical features around Norfolk?
Year 5	History Is the Trojan War story fact or myth?
Year 6	History Why did the Maya change the way they lived?

World Book Day

Just a reminder that if children wish to dress as their favourite book character, they can do this on Thursday 2nd March. There will also be a book fair after school that day.

After School Clubs

- Please inform the office if your child will not be attending an after-school club.
- All clubs except Ukulele (3:45pm) finish at 4pm, collection is from outside the school office.

Day	Club	Dates
Monday	Musical Theatre	9 th Jan – 20 th Mar
	Yoga	
Tuesday	Football	10 th Jan – 21 st Mar
Wednesday	Street Dance	11 th Jan – 22 nd Mar

	Tennis	
Thursday	Karate	12 th Jan – 23 rd Mar
	Ukulele	12 th Jan – 23 rd Mar. Collection 3:45pm
Friday	Dodgeball	13 th Jan – 24 th Mar
	Bouncercise Kids	

Learning with Lego Education Campaign

- We will be taking part in the Learning with Lego Education Campaign and would be grateful for your support in collecting tokens.
- Tokens will be daily in the Eastern Daily Press (two on Saturday), Norwich Evening News (two on Saturday), East Anglian Daily Times (two on Saturday), Ipswich Star, and weekly in the North Norfolk News, Dereham and Fakenham Times, Beccles & Bungay Journal, Lowestoft Journal and Great Yarmouth Mercury.
- The first token will be in paper w/c 20th February. The two schools with the most tokens (as an average per pupil) will win the main two prizes meaning that all schools have a chance, both big and small.
- The last tokens will be printed in paper w/c 24th April 2023.
- Look out for extra special bonus token days throughout the campaign.
- There will be a collection box in the school front entrance for you to donate tokens.

Thank you!

Ashleigh Summer Fete - 50th Birthday Celebrations

Saturday 24th June, 11am-3pm

We're looking for parents/carers with any of the below skills, who would be willing to donate some time to the preparations for our 50th birthday summer fete!

If you have any of the below we would love to hear from you, please email

office@ashleigh.norfolk.sch.uk or call 01953 602410:

- AV skills;
 - Woodwork/construction skills (e.g. building wooden stocks/wooden hoopla or other games);
 - Social media/printing;
 - Would anyone be prepared to lend us a gazebo for the fete?
- ❖ Do you know any former pupils or staff who might have some memories or photos to share of their time at Ashleigh? We would love to hear from them. And we'd love as many of them as possible to come to our fete and see how the school has changed - or not changed! - since their time here.
 - ❖ We are planning to make some display boards of how Ashleigh has changed over the decades, so please email office@ashleigh.norfolk.sch.uk with any photos or memories that you would be willing to share.

Community Events

Wymondham Wild Tribe – Care Home Visits

- Wymondham Wild Tribe are trying to bridge the gap between the youngest and eldest in the Community and have fortnightly visits to a local care home at 3.30pm for crafts, games and activities.
- More details are on Wymondham Wild Tribe page on Facebook.
- Spaces are limited and should be booked through the events page on Wymondham Wild Tribe.


4th Wymondham Rainbows Fundraising Event

- North Wymondham Community Centre, Sunday 19th February, 2-4pm;
- An afternoon of crafts, games, raffle, tombolas, refreshments and treats;
- Bring in a photo of your pet and enter the competition, categories include Cutest Kitty, Most Unusual Pet and Adorable Dogs;
- All funds raised will be split between the Blue Cross animal charity and 4th Wymondham Rainbows.

Diary Dates

New or updated events

2022-2023 Dates	
Fri 10 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School closes for February half term
Mon 20 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School reopens after half term
Thurs 23 rd Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3pm – Year 6 Football v Avenue Junior (Away)• 4:30pm & 5:30pm Nursery Tours (for admission September 2023)
Mon 27 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• After school: Year 5 Boys' Football Team Ashleigh v Taverham (Home)
Tues 28 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6pm Year 6 Art Gallery and SATs information evening – changed from 24th February
Thurs 2 nd Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• World Book Day (dress as your favourite book character)• Group of Years 3-6 Girls' Football Event (rearranged from October 2022)• 3pm Ketts' Books – Book Fair (Small Hall)• After school: Year 5 Boys' Football Team Ashleigh v Horsford (Home)
Wed 8 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3pm – Year 6 Football v Firside Junior (Away)• After school: Year 5 Boys' Football Team Ashleigh v Firside (Away)
Sat 11 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ashleigh Friends – Table Top Sale (details to follow)• Family Voice Annual Conference, John Innes Centre www.familyvoice.org.uk
Mon 13 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3pm – Year 6 Football v Sprowston (Home)
Tues 14 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3pm – Year 6 Girls' Football v St Williams (Away)
Wed 15 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3pm – Year 6 Girls' Football v Drayton (Home)
Fri 17 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Red Nose Day
Wed 22 nd Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3pm – Year 6 Girls' Football v White Woman Lane (Home)
Thurs 23 rd Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2pm Year 4 Family Learning Open Book Invitation• After school: Year 5 Boys' Football Team Ashleigh v Robert Kett (Away) – To be confirmed
Wed 29 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3pm – Year 6 Girls' Football v Colman (Away)
Thurs 30 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 2 Family Learning Quiz and Picnic – Time TBC
Fri 31 st Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School closes for Easter holidays
Mon 17 th Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff INSET Day
Tues 18 th Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School reopens for Summer Term
Mon 1 st May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School closed for Bank Holiday
Mon 8 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School closed for additional Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation
Tues 9 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 6 SATS
Wed 10 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 6 SATS
Thurs 11 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 6 SATS
Fri 12 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 6 SATS
Fri 19 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• p.m. Year 6 trip
Fri 26 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School closes for half term



Mon 5 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School reopens after half term
Wed 14 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sports Day & Family Picnic
Mon 19 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 5 to Harry Potter Warner Brothers Studio Tour
Wed 21 st Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sports Day Reserve (if 14th June is cancelled)
Sat 24 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• p.m. Ashleigh Summer Fair – 50th Anniversary Celebrations (details to follow)
Fri 7 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• From 4pm – Reception to Year 5 PTA Discos
Fri 14 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• From 4pm – Year 6 Leavers' Disco
Fri 21 st Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School closes for Summer holidays

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Norfolk County Council 2023-2024

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