



# Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

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## Message from Mr. McConnell

What a beautiful end to the week! It's always a delight to see Ashleigh in the sunshine. We are so lucky to have such a beautiful site. It's hard to believe just how windy and rain it was a few days ago when our heroic Year 5s, and 8 heroic members of our staff, were braving the elements in Thetford Forest. Well done everyone!

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## Golden Ticket Raffle Winners

**Deer** – Alex; **Fox** – Marti; **Hazel** – Elliot;  
**Maple** – Olley, Connie and Fraser;  
**Mulberry** – Maddie, Eva, Jasmine and Oscar P; **Ash** – Daniel;  
**Sycamore** – Chimene, Alfie, Willow and Kafia.

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## School Height & Weight Check - Reception & Year 6

- The NHS team are in school on Thursday 2nd October to carry out the measurements.
  - All [Reception and Year 6](#) children will automatically be included in the programme.
  - **Parents/carers need to opt out** if they do not want their child to participate - details of how to do this were in the emailed letter.
- The deadline to opt out is **Thursday 25th September**.

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## Reception First Class Photos - EDP

Reception class photos will be included in the EDP's 'First Class' supplement on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October.

Only children with photo permission, in school when the photo was taken, will feature.

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## School Lunches Years 3- 6

Please make sure your child knows what they are having for lunch every day. If they are having a school meal, we are reminding children in class that they need to ask for the meal they have ordered when they are served. If children forget they can ask the kitchen staff who will be able to check for them. Many thanks.

## Ashleigh Friends

Today marks our final *Frozen Friday* of the year—but don't worry, the lollies will be back later in the school year!

Don't forget to pop by our pre-loved uniform shed—you might just find a great bargain.

A big thank-you to all the parents and carers who joined our first meeting on Wednesday. It was wonderful to see some new faces! Remember, you can get involved with the PTA anytime. Share your ideas with us by email ([ashleighfriendspta@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ashleighfriendspta@hotmail.co.uk)), connect with us on Facebook or Instagram, or join our WhatsApp group to stay updated on the latest discussions.

As in previous years, the children will soon be creating their own festive designs to be printed on Christmas cards and other keepsakes. Templates will be arriving at school shortly, and we'll share more details in the weeks ahead.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend—see you next week!

**Ashleigh Friends PTA**

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## PE Days

Children should wear PE kit to school on their PE days.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Days</b>
Reception	Not autumn term
1	Mondays and Wednesdays
2	Wednesdays and Fridays
3	Mondays and Tuesdays
4	Mondays and Thursdays Tuesday – Maple class swimming a.m.
5	Tuesdays and Thursdays
6	Friday

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## Free School Meals Information

The Free School Meal voucher scheme has been extended to March 2026 and the following payments will be made to eligible families.

<b>Month</b>	<b>Amount Per Child*</b>	<b>Voucher Issue Date</b>
September	£15	Issued <sup>^</sup>
October	£15	10/10/2025
November	£15	07/11/2025
<a href="#">December</a>	<a href="#">£30</a>	<a href="#">05/12/2025</a>
January 2026	£15	09/01/2026
February	£15	06/02/2026

March	£15	06/03/2026
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- \* Please note that you have to apply separately for individual children, siblings do **not** qualify automatically.
- \* If you were eligible for Early Years Pupil Premium in Nursery, you need to reapply when children join Reception.
- ^ New eligible families will have the codes issued separately.

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

## Diary Dates

### New/Updated events

<b>2025-2026</b>	
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3:00-3:30pm <b>Reception</b> open classrooms</li> <li>• <b>Year 6</b> Open Evening at Hethersett Academy</li> </ul>
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a.m. <b>Maple</b> class swimming</li> </ul>
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3:00-3:30pm <b>Reception</b> open classrooms</li> </ul>
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3:00-3:30pm <b>Reception</b> open classrooms</li> <li>• 3:00-5:00pm <b>Year 5 Boys' Football</b> v Firside Junior (away)</li> <li>• 5:00-7:30pm <b>Year 6</b> Open Evening at Wymondham High Academy</li> </ul>
Tues 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a.m. <b>Maple</b> class swimming</li> </ul>
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6-9pm <b>Year 6</b> Open evening at Attleborough Academy</li> </ul>
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reception &amp; Year 6</b> NCMP Screening</li> <li>• 3:10pm <b>Reception</b> Curriculum meeting (in Squirrel classroom)</li> </ul>
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>School &amp; Nursery</b> Individual Photos</li> <li>• a.m. <b>Maple</b> class swimming</li> </ul>
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3:00-5:00pm <b>Year 5 Boys' Football</b> v Taverham Junior (away)</li> <li>• 5-6pm tour for Reception Intake September 2026</li> </ul>
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10-11am tour for Reception Intake September 2026</li> <li>• 1:30-2:30pm tour for Reception Intake September 2026</li> </ul>
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a.m. <b>Maple</b> class swimming</li> <li>• Parents' Evening appointments (details to follow)</li> </ul>
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents' Evening appointments (details to follow)</li> </ul>
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents' Evening appointments (details to follow)</li> </ul>
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a.m. <b>Maple</b> class swimming</li> </ul>
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3pm <b>Year 6 Boys' Football</b> v St Michael's (Away)</li> </ul>
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>3pm School &amp; Nursery close for half term</b></li> </ul>
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>8:30am School &amp; Nursery reopen</b></li> </ul>
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a.m. <b>Maple</b> class swimming</li> </ul>
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flu Vaccinations; <b>Reception to Year 6</b></li> </ul>
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6</b> Residential to Willersley Castle</li> </ul>

Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6</b> Residential to Willersley Castle</li> <li>• a.m. <b>Maple</b> class swimming</li> </ul>
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6</b> Residential to Willersley Castle</li> </ul>
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6</b> Residential to Willersley Castle</li> </ul>
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6</b> Residential to Willersley Castle</li> </ul>
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sibling</b> Photos</li> <li>• a.m. <b>Maple</b> class swimming</li> </ul>
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flu Vaccinations; <b>Reception to Year 6</b> ('Mop-up' session)</li> <li>• a.m. <b>Maple</b> class swimming</li> </ul>
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a.m. <b>Maple</b> class swimming</li> </ul>
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a.m. <b>Maple</b> class swimming</li> </ul>
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>3pm School &amp; Nursery close for Christmas holiday</b></li> </ul>
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>8:30am School &amp; Nursery reopen</b></li> </ul>
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>3pm School &amp; Nursery close for half term</b></li> </ul>
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>8:30am School &amp; Nursery reopen</b></li> </ul>
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>3pm School &amp; Nursery close for Easter holiday</b></li> </ul>
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>8:30am School &amp; Nursery reopen</b></li> </ul>
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reception</b> Hearing &amp; Vision screening</li> </ul>
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reception</b> Hearing &amp; Vision screening</li> </ul>
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reception</b> Hearing &amp; Vision screening</li> </ul>
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>School &amp; Nursery closed</b> – Bank Holiday</li> </ul>
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 SATs</b></li> </ul>
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 SATs</b></li> </ul>
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Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>3pm School &amp; Nursery close for half term</b></li> </ul>
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>8:30am School &amp; Nursery reopen</b></li> </ul>
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reception to Year 6</b> Dental Screening visits (information will follow nearer the time)</li> </ul>
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 transition day at Wymondham High</b></li> </ul>
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 transition day at Wymondham High</b></li> </ul>
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 transition day at Wymondham High</b></li> </ul>
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>p.m. Year 6 to Crucial Crew</b></li> <li>• <b>3pm School &amp; Nursery close for Summer holiday</b></li> </ul>

## Community Events

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

1. 9.15am–10.45am every Tuesday
2. 2:00-4:00pm every Thursday

### **Messy Church – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September**

# Wymondham Methodist Church

## Town Green Centre

Come and join us on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September  
for this **FREE** event 10:30-12:30 (including lunch.)



For ages 4-11yrs.

Children need to bring a parent or guardian.

For more information contact:

[emmens.cfw@gmail.com](mailto:emmens.cfw@gmail.com)



# Norfolk County Council 2025-2026

## 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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