



# Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

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## Message from Mr. McConnell

Happy Christmas everyone!

Every child from Reception to Year 6 took home a present today paid for by the generous donation from our wonderful PTA. Thank you to them!

I will see you all on January 4<sup>th</sup> but in the meantime, have a lovely Christmas holiday.

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## Charity Support

- Thank you to everyone who donated to the Christmas Jumper day last week, you raised **£201.50 in support of GOSH.**
- We will be having end of term non-school uniform days, to support Shelter on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024, and UNICEF on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024.
- As always, this fund raising is voluntary and there is no expectation that parents/carers donate.

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## Ashleigh Friends

- ★ From buying Christmas cards, to shopping at TOFS, to volunteering at the Christmas Fayre or donating preloved uniform - THANK YOU to everyone who has supported us this term.
- ★ We've got lots more fun and fundraising coming up in 2024, so we hope you all have a lovely Christmas break and look forward to seeing you again next year.

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## Parent Information Sessions

We will be holding parent information sessions in the Spring term. The purpose of these meetings is to give you the chance to learn more about different aspects of what we do at school.

Details of how to sign up will be sent out in January, we hope you can join us!

Date	Time	Workshop Name	Workshop Audience
17 <sup>th</sup> January	9:15-10:15	SEND	Parents of children on the SEND register

24 <sup>th</sup> January	9:15-10:15	SEND	Parents of children on the SEND register
31 <sup>st</sup> January	9:15-10:15	Phonics 1 – New to Phonics	EYFS parents
7 <sup>th</sup> February	9:15-10:15	Phonics 2 - From pure sounds to blending	EYFS parents
14 <sup>th</sup> February	9:15-10:15	Phonics 3 - Storybook phonics	EYFS/Year 1 parents
28 <sup>th</sup> February	9:15-10:15	Times Tables	Year 4 parents
6 <sup>th</sup> March	9:15-10:15	Times Tables	Year 4 parents
13 <sup>th</sup> March	9:15-10:15	E-Safety/ Social Media	Years 4, 5 and 6 parents

## Diary Dates New or updated events

<b>2023-2024</b>	
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Last day of Autumn Term: School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for Christmas holiday</li> </ul>
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First day of Spring Term: School &amp; Nursery reopen after Christmas holiday</li> </ul>
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4:15pm and 5:15pm <b>Reception Tours for</b> parents of children starting school in <b>September 2024.</b></li> </ul>
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:15-10:15am SEND Workshop</li> </ul>
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:15-10:15am SEND Workshop</li> </ul>
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6 Assessments</b></li> </ul>
Tues 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6 Assessments</b></li> </ul>
Wed 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6 Assessments</b></li> <li>9:15-10:15am Phonics Workshop</li> </ul>
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6 Assessments</b></li> </ul>
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:15-10:15am Phonics Workshop</li> </ul>
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dental Screening – <b>Reception to Year 6</b></li> </ul>
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:15-10:15am Phonics Workshop</li> </ul>
Fri 16 <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 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School &amp; Nursery reopen after half term</li> </ul>
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:15-10:15am Times Table Workshop</li> </ul>
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:15-10:15am E-Safety/Social Media Workshop</li> </ul>
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6 Mocks</b></li> </ul>
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6 Mocks</b></li> </ul>
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6 Mocks</b></li> <li>9:15-10:15am SEND Workshop</li> </ul>
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 6 Mocks</b></li> </ul>
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Non-School Uniform Day – supporting Shelter</li> <li>School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm 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>• First day of Summer Term: School &amp; Nursery reopen</li> </ul>
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery closed for Bank Holiday</li> </ul>
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reception</b> Vision &amp; Hearing Screening</li> </ul>
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 6 SATs</b></li> </ul>
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Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for half term</li> </ul>
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery reopen after half term</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> </ul>
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Save the Date!</b> <b>Details to follow</b></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> </ul>
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-School Uniform Day – supporting Unicef</li> <li>• Last day of term: School &amp; Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for Summer holiday</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: The Hub, Ayton Road, NR18 0QJ**

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

### **Winter Warm and Well Offer from Norfolk Libraries**

All libraries are providing:

- **Free hot water bottles and blankets**, available for anyone in need and no questions asked
- **Free toiletries bag** containing deodorant, shampoo, bodywash and toothpaste. (Adults and children's toothbrushes are available to help yourself to, or ask a member of staff)
- **Free 'Tricky Period To Go' bag**. (Sustainable items are available while stocks last, including period cups, washable pads and period pants)
- **Free slow cooker courses** in partnership with Adult Learning (available at selected libraries). To help you continue with your new-found skills there will also be an opportunity to take a slow cooker, bag of utensils and cookbook home on course completion.) [For course details visit our Adult learning page](#)

Free hot drinks are also available - please ask staff for times or [visit our What's On page](#).

[Find further support via our Help with living costs pages.](#)



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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