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Message from Mr. McConnell

- ★ Have a lovely summer everybody!
- ★ It's been a great year, we're incredibly proud of all of the children who make our school such a special place to be. I'd like to say an extra special well done to our fabulous Year 6 who have been a very special part of our school for the last seven years and who we all wish the very best of luck to as they get ready to go on to high school.
- ★ I'd also like to say a huge thank you to all of the adults involved with our school who work together to make sure that the children who come here have a lovely experience.
- ★ We'll be back on Wednesday 6th September and I am already looking forward to it! See you then.

Classes from September

| | Teacher | Teaching Assistants |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Nursery | Mrs Ellero | Mrs Cowdry, Mrs McPherson, Mrs Roberts, Miss Scott, Mrs Sharp |
| Hedgehog | Mrs Miller and Miss Eyre | Mrs Eggett, Mrs Chalcraft, Mrs Smith |
| Squirrel | Mrs Lynch | |
| Barn Owl | Mrs Sturgis | Mrs O'Sullivan, Mrs Schmidtova (a.m.) |
| Bat | Miss Cooper | Mrs Hodds, Mrs Davis |
| Deer | Mrs Matless | Mrs Hayden, Mrs Gray |
| Fox | Mrs Pinder | Mrs Gibbings, Mrs Roles |
| Birch | Mrs Landis | Mrs Lambert |
| Hazel | Miss Evans | Mrs Reilly |
| Elm | Mrs Nichols | Mrs Laws, Mrs Barrett, Mrs Starling |
| Maple | Mr Walker and Mrs Saadvandi | Mrs Bullen |
| Mulberry | Mr Saunders | Mrs Feeney |
| Willow | Mr Wheeler | Mrs English |
| Ash | Miss Stephens | Mrs Stratton (a.m.) |
| Sycamore | Mr Finch | Mrs Clark, Mrs Harvey |

We say goodbye to Miss Pleureuse, part of our MSA team, today and wish her all the very best for the future.

New School Caterers

- We are delighted to announce that we have switched catering providers from September 2023, to Aspens.
- The price of meals will be £2.00 per meal for Nursery children, and £2.50 per meal for children in Years 3-6. The cost has increased from this year but unfortunately rising costs make this unavoidable.
- There are some exciting additions to the menus, with cooked meals on offer in the autumn term (school packed lunches will only be available for school trips).
- We have been really impressed with their standard of food and attention to detail so we hope the children enjoy their new meals!
- We will ask for feedback in the autumn term so please let us know your views then.

Ashleigh Friends

- Hurray, we made it to the school holidays! A HUGE thank you to everyone who has donated, volunteered and supported Ashleigh Friends PTA throughout the year. We hope you've enjoyed yourselves and had fun along the way!
- We will be finalising the finances over the summer and in September we will announce how much we have raised this year.
- We have some exciting news to finish the year on a high – The Original Factory Shop (TOFS) on Ayton Road have announced that Ashleigh Friends is their new charity of the year! So if you are shopping in there, please sign up to a TOFS card and scan it every time you shop – we receive points based on the number of cards scanned. There is also a book swap at the back of the store with a donation tub, so why not pick up some new summer holiday reading whilst you're in there?
- Have a wonderful break and we look forward to seeing you all in September!
- If you've got any ideas for future fundraising - or would like to get involved - please do drop us a line at ashleighfriendspta@hotmail.co.uk

Piano Lessons

- Would your child be interested in piano lessons?
- Mr Glover has been providing piano lessons at Ashleigh Primary School for the past four years and has a few more spaces available for any other pupils who would like to begin from September.
- Learning to play a musical instrument is not only about musical ability, but also improves cognitive development in children, motor skills, self-discipline and attentiveness - among other things!
- Lessons are scheduled on Mondays and Tuesdays. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact the School Office for more information.
- Alternatively, you can contact Mr Glover directly on: 01953 887015, 07788 298352 or robertgloverpt@gmail.com

Parent Online Safety Booklet

Please find a link below to the updated Parent Online Safety booklet, which includes an overview of key parental controls.

This is updated on an annual basis (next update scheduled July 2024).

<https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Parental-Controls-booklet-2023.pdf>

Attendance Survey

Lots of things can make it difficult to support your children to attend school regularly, and the school and Council want to understand what the biggest challenges are and how we can support your family to overcome them. Take the five-minute survey to share your thoughts at www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance

School Attendance Questionnaire



Scan to
take part

Or visit: www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance

Diary Dates New or updated events

2022-2023 Dates

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| Fri 21 st Jul | • School closes for Summer holidays |
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2023-2024

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| Mon 4 th Sep | • INSET Day |
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| Mon 5 th Sep | • INSET Day |
| Wed 6 th Sep | • School reopens after summer holidays |
| 18 th – 20 th Sep | • Year 6 Residential |
| Mon 25 th Sep | • Hethersett Academy Open Evening for Year 6 Pupils |
| Mon 2 nd Oct | • Year 6 NCMP |
| Fri 20 th Oct | • School & Nursery close for half term |
| Mon 30 th Oct | • School & Nursery reopen |
| Thurs 16 th Nov | • Reception NCMP |
| Mon 11 th Dec | • Reception to Year 6 Flu Vaccinations |
| Wed 20 th Dec | • School & Nursery close for Christmas holiday |
| Tues 7 th May | • Reception Vision & Hearing Screening |

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

- 9.15am – 10.30am every Tuesday
- Thursday morning by appointment
- The Hub, Ayton Road, Wymondham, NR18 0QJ. Tel: 07709 786618
E: info@hubproject.org.uk

Primary Times Norfolk

The new edition of Primary Times Norfolk is now online: <https://www.primarytimes.co.uk/norfolk> with lots of info on what is happening over the summer holidays.



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