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Message from Mr. McConnell

Good afternoon!

As you'll be aware, the National Education Union are striking on Wednesday 1st February. Last week I told you that some schools will have to close on those days, some will be 'business as usual' and some will fall somewhere in between. At Ashleigh it looks like we will be falling somewhere in between.

The School will be open on Wednesday 1st February but not all of the children will be having the same lessons as they normally would. **Maple class** will not be going swimming on Wednesday.

Unfortunately, **Nursery will be closed on Wednesday 1st February**. We'll be in touch with Nursery parents via a letter next week to explain how we'll make sure this doesn't lead to over-payment.

We appreciate that this has been an uncertain time for our families and our pupils, and as a school we want to minimise the impact on your family, whilst respecting our colleagues' right to industrial action. We will provide further updates as to the other proposed strike days as we move closer to them.

Family Events

Thank you to everyone that's attended our family learning events this week! It's great to be able to share the children's wonderful work with you.

Golden Ticket Winners

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

Squirrel – Freddie and Leo; **Barn Owl** – Annabelle and George M; **Bat** – Mason;
Deer – Penelope; **Fox** – Lilly;
Birch – William H; **Elm** – Hope and Dan;
Mulberry – Charlie, George and Maisy; **Ash** – Lily and Sophie.

Treehouse Availability

We have opened additional spaces in Treehouse in response to parent feedback which means we have been able to offer places in our after school club to those on the waiting list.

- **After School Club has spaces on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays.**
- If you are interested please call the office or email treehouse@ashleighprimary.net
- *Breakfast Club is full every day currently but we can add you to a waiting list if required.*

Baby News

We're delighted to announce the safe arrival of babies Dowling and Walker last week, congratulations to both families!

Hedges on Lime Tree Avenue

- We have instructed our grounds maintenance contractor to cut back the hedges bordering Lime Tree Avenue, this work will be carried out as soon as possible.
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Year 6 Girls' Football Team Matches

14th March - Away v St Williams
15th March - Home v Drayton
22nd March - Home v White Woman Lane
29th March - Away v Colman

Year 6 Trip - Friday 19th May

- To celebrate the end of SATS we are delighted to be in a position to take Year 6 children to High Altitude again this year.
 - The trip will take place on Friday 19th May and a letter with the details, including applying for the required online waiver, will follow nearer the time.
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Ashleigh Friends

- Our next committee meeting is on Monday 30th January at 7.30pm, in the staff room at school - the entrance is directly into the staff room from the road.
 - We have sent round the paperwork to the Ashleigh Friends mailing list, but if you are planning to come to the meeting and haven't received it, please let us know by email: ashleighfriendspta@hotmail.co.uk
 - Come along and be the first to hear the plans for our Table Top Sale, Quiz and Chips and the Summer Fete! We look forward to seeing you then.
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Talk Homework

This week's questions are:

Reception	Understanding the World - People Culture & Communities How is Chinese New Year celebrated?
Year 1	Maths What are the number bonds to 10?
Year 2	Geography Where can you find maps?
Year 3	Science How are shadows formed? What do we mean by transparent and opaque?
Year 4	Science Which type of material will sound travel quickest through?
Year 5	RE How do different religions worship? How are they similar/ different?
Year 6	Science Can you name the 4 chambers in the heart?

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.
- **Ukulele club** is not running on Thursday 2nd February.

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 (not 2 nd Feb)	12 th Jan – 23 rd Mar Collection 3:45pm
Friday	Dodgeball	13 th Jan – 24 th Mar
	Bouncercise Kids	

Diary Dates

New or updated events

2022-2023 Dates	
Mon 30 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:30pm PTA Committee Meeting at Ashleigh
Wed 1 st Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a.m. Maple class Swimming – Cancelled • Nursery closed all day
Fri 3 rd Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:15am Birch Family Learning Art Session
Wed 8 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a.m. Maple class Swimming
Thurs 9 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2pm Year 5 Family Learning Open Book Invitation
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)
Fri 24 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6pm Year 6 Art Gallery and SATs information evening
Mon 27 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After school: Year 5 Boys' Football Team Ashleigh v Taverham (Home)
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 • <i>After school: Year 5 Boys' Football Team Ashleigh v Robert Kett (Away) – To be confirmed</i>
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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