

Ashleworth CofE Primary School

Newsletter – Term 3



Dear Parents,

Usually, a January newsletter would be packed full of details about snow days and bad weather arrangements. Not this one. I'm writing this and there is a warmth in the air and it feels almost spring like. Let's hope I haven't been too optimistic, too soon.

January has seen a settled start to the year for us. This is wonderful after the December we had. Everyone is settled, the children are working hard and there's a real buzz around school.

Swimming has started for most of the children in Class 2. Given the disruption of the last 2 years, we're taking more children. The children thoroughly enjoy the lessons. For some, this is a chance for them to develop the skills they already have, whilst, for others, it's their first venture into the water. We may only be 4 lessons in, but already I can see the children's confidence growing and real strides being made. As we go with Churcham, it's also a chance for the children to meet up with familiar faces and experience working with a bigger group of children. Well done to all of them.

This term, Class 2 have a green-fingered theme to their topic. They've been looking at the Percy the Park Keeper stories and coming up with their own versions. They're making the most of the mild weather and have been planting beans. To help develop their maths skills, they're going to be measuring their plants. It's starting to look very technical in their classroom. There's a real excitement around whose plan will grow the tallest. We'll keep you posted.

Thanks you to all of you who supported our toy sale. The children were moved by an assembly about the plight of refugees. So much so that the year 6 children organised and ran the sale to raise money for a local charity. I don't think the children will be stopping there as they're determined to do all they can to help.

Both classes are enjoying their gym lessons with Mr Sutton. I've been fortunate enough to see what Class 2 have been up to.

There's a lot more planned for this term. We have Kelly-anne visiting us, next week, for another dance workshop. It's always a pleasure to welcome her into school and the children are always delighted to see her.

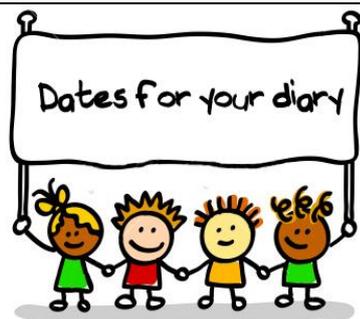
This week, we will be saying "Good-Bye" to Mrs Noyes. After 7 years with us, she's off to pastures new. For many, she is the first person they meet when visiting us and the friendly voice at the end of the phone. Whilst we want to say "Thank you" and to wish her good luck; we also want her to know how much she will be missed.

Looking forward to a fantastic February and all the fun that lies ahead.

Best wishes,

Michelle Kelly

Headteacher



- 8th Feb - Internet Safety Day
- 10th Feb - Dance workshop
- 18th Feb - End of term 3
- 28th Feb - Inset Day
- 1st Mar - Start of term 4
- 4th Mar - Internet safety talk with PC Greg
- 7th Mar - KS2 trip to Corium Museum
- 9th Mar - Y6 Parental Consultation
- 10th Mar - Y2 Parental Consultations
- 15th Mar - KS1 Forest School
- 25th Mar - Mothering Sunday @ Village Hall
- 29th Mar - KS1 Forest School
- 31st Mar - Dance Workshop
- 1st Apr - Easter Prayer Space @ Church
- 4th Apr - KS2 Space Dome
- 7th Apr - Easter Service @ Church
- 11th Apr - Easter Holidays
- 25th Apr - Start of term 5

Message from Mrs Noyes

After an amazing 7 years of working at Ashleworth it is time for me to bid you all farewell as I move on to pastures new. In my time here I have seen a lot of children come and go through the school each one with their own little personality and quirky traits, its been a pleasure seeing them grow over the years. Thank you to all the parents, staff and Governors for making my time here memorable and for having patience during the strange times we have experienced. I hope everyone keeps well and look forward to hearing future stories of the goings on in our little village school.

Toy Sale

Thank you to everyone who donated and bought toys from the toys sale. We made £51.72 and the money will be donated to the local charity below:

<https://www.garas.org.uk/>



Signing in and out

We now have out new signing in and our iPad in reception. If children are late coming to school, please can you report to reception so you can sign them in on the. The same goes if you need to take your child out of school early, you will need to sign them out and a reason as to why they are leaving. Can I also ask that if you know your children are going to be late, please let the office know, any child coming into school after registration closed will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. Please also notify the school before 9am if your child is going to be off because of illness. Thank you

Make the Rules Day

We didn't get to hold our make the rules day before Christmas so here's another opportunity for the children to 'make their rules'. For each rule made there is a 50p donation, all monies raised will go to the PTFA.



Reminders:

- Hot dinners have been arranged up to the Easter holidays, if your child doesn't like a dinner, please let Mrs Wright know and she will amend for you.
- Please remember to check your ParentPay for any invoices, dinner taken and trips that need paying for