



NEW ASH GREEN SCHOOL NEWS



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JANUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

Curriculum Core Values - 'Together Everyone Achieves More'

CURIOSITY

RESILIENCE

CHALLENGE

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INDEPENDENCE

SELF-MOTIVATION

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our January 2020 Newsletter. Already we are heading towards the end of Term 3 after a busy first month. It has been such a pleasure to see how well the children have settled back into school since the Christmas break. Please do continue to look out for various class assemblies, workshops and other events, as detailed at the foot of this newsletter. Our last day of Term 3 will be Friday 14th February. We will return back to school for the start of Term 4 on Monday 24th February. As the cold weather continues, please do remember to provide your child with a hat, scarf and gloves every day.

Mrs C.A. Cain, Headteacher

REMINDER: PTA Non-Uniform Days

**Friday 14th February and
Wednesday 1st April 2020**

Children are invited to come into school on these dates to mark the last day of term. A £1 donation from each child will enable the school to purchase more books for our library. Thank you.

NEXT CLASS ASSEMBLIES IN FEBRUARY AT 9.30AM

**R1 - Blyton's Magic Trees
Thursday 6th February 2020**

**H3 - Walliams's Workers
Thursday 13th February 2020**

**B1 - The Pratchetts
Thursday 27th February 2020**



NEXT CAKE SALE:

**Year 6 - Friday 7th February 2020
after school at 3.30pm**



We look forward to seeing you at these cake sales as all funds raised ensure our school trips are able to go ahead. Thank you.

Festival of Learning: Monday 10th February

Come and see your child's work in their classrooms at 3pm on 10th February. We look forward to seeing you all then.



Just a reminder that we are still collecting Books for School vouchers which are printed in the Sun Newspaper. Please bring any you have collected to the school before **Saturday 8th February**. Thank you.



PAYMENT REMINDER: Year 5 Residential Trip to Science Museum, Fri 17th April

Please may we remind all Year 5 Parents and Carers that if your child is attending the residential "Astronights" trip to the Science Museum, the deadline for the deposit of £50 to be paid, via ParentMail, is **Sunday, 2nd February 2020**.



Children's Mental Health Week

The theme of this year's Children's Mental Health Week is **Find your Brave**. Life is all about taking small brave steps every day. Bravery could be about sharing worries and asking for help when you need it, trying something new or making the right choices. In school, we will be exploring this theme and looking at ways we can **Find our Brave**



Safer Internet Day: Tuesday 11th February 2020

On 11th February, the school will be focusing on being safe online. The theme this year is:

Together for a Better Internet

Activities will be taking place at the school throughout the day to raise this awareness.

Own It:

An App to Help you Stay Safe Online

As part of our Safer Internet Day, we would like to share the following link with you which has been issued via the BBC:

<https://www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/own-it-app>



This app will require downloading onto a smart phone via Apple Store or Google Play and is a really useful tool for both parents and children about owning the information we decide to share with others.



Elections at New Ash Green Primary

The school held a 'mock election' on Thursday 12th December 2019 when the children learnt about democratic votes and formed their own parties. Candidates campaigned and our Year 5 and 6 children were able to cast a vote. Finley from H2 won the vote and was then elected as our MP. Well done Finley!

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES - JANUARY 2020

R1 Blyton's Magic Trees	R2 The Jeffers	R3 Beatrix Potters	R4 Milne's Piglets	R5 Kerr's Class	R6 The Seusses
95.19	94.17	96.48	97.13	93.06	94.44

B1 The Pratchetts	B2 The Morpurgos	B3 CS Lewis Class	B4 Cressida's Dragons
96.20	94.91	96.71	97.13

H1 The Horowitz Crew	H2 J K Rowling Wizards	H3 Walliams's Workers	H4 Roald Dahl Class
97.22	97.46	95.40	96.02

The teacher whose class achieved the highest attendance level for the month of:

January 2020

is Mrs Nurdin, Class H2 - J K Rowling Wizards

who will be given £50 to spend on new books for her classroom

WELL DONE!

New books for the school have so far been awarded to the following classes in recognition of their excellent attendance:

- Miss Smith: R4 Milne's Piglets - for the best attendance during September 2019.
- Mr Jordan: B1 The Pratchetts - for the best attendance during October 2019.
- Miss Smith: R4 Milne's Piglets - for the best attendance during November 2019
- Mrs Bassett and Mrs Matharu: B4 Cressida's Dragons - for the best attendance in December 2019

DIARY DATES FOR CLASS ASSEMBLIES FOR REMAINDER OF ACADEMIC YEAR 2019/2020 (AT 9.30AM)

Class and Teacher	Date	Class and Teacher	Date
R1: Mrs Gingell	Thurs 6 th February	B3: Mr Nurdin	Thurs 23 rd April
H3: Miss Bassant	Thurs 13 th February	R5: Mrs Morsman & Mrs Knight	Thurs 30 th April
B1: Mr Jordan	Thurs 27 th February	R4: Miss Smith	Thurs 21 st May
B4: Mrs Bassett & Mrs Matharu	Thurs 5 th March	R3: Mrs Hussain	Thurs 11 th June
B2: Mrs Goss & Mrs Davin	Thurs 12 th March	R2: Miss Watts	Thurs 18 th June
R6: Miss Taylor	Thurs 26 th March	H4: Mrs Lednor	Thurs 25 th June

Diary Dates for Remainder of Term 3 & 4 2020

New Dates are in Red

TERM 3 Date	Time	Event
Mon 3 rd -Fri 7 th February	All Week	Children's Mental Health Week
Mon 3 rd February	3pm-4pm	Years 5-6 Away Football Match, Princes Road, Dartford
Wed 5 th February	9.30am-12.30pm	Kent School Games Final, Medway Park Leisure Centre
Thurs 6 th February	9.30am	R1: Blyton's Magic Trees - Class Assembly (R1 Parents Welcome)
Fri 7 th February	3.30pm	Year 6 Cake Sale
Mon 10 th February	3pm	Festival of Learning (All Parents and Carers Welcome)
Tues 11 th February	All Day	Safer Internet Day
Wed 12 th February	9.30am-12pm	Years 1-2 Infant Agility Sports Event, Ebbsfleet Academy
Thurs 13 th February	9.30am	H3: Walliams's Workers - Class Assembly (H3 Parents Welcome)
Thurs 13 th February	11am	Year 6 HAPI Survey for Transition to Secondary School
Fri 14 th February	-	Last Day of Term 3 - Non Uniform Day for all Children (PTA)
TERM 4 Date	Time	Event
Mon 24 th February	-	Start of Term 4
Wed 26 th February	9-12.30/3.45-6pm	Year 6 Pupil Progress Meetings
Wed 26 th February	3.45pm-6pm	Foundation Stage to Year 4 Pupil Progress Meetings
Thurs 27 th February	9.30am	B1: The Pratchetts - Class Assembly (B1 Parents Welcome)
Thurs 27 th February	9-12.30/4-7pm	Year 5 Pupil Progress Meetings
Thurs 27 th February	4-7pm	Foundation Stage to Year 4 Pupil Progress Meetings
Mon 2 nd March	After 4pm	National Offer Day for Secondary School places
Tues 3 rd -Thurs 5 th March	All Day	KIC Theatre
Thurs 5 th March	All Day	World Book Day
Thurs 5 th March	9.30am	B4: Cressida's Dragons - Class Assembly (B4 Parents Welcome)
Mon 9 th -Fri 13 th March	All Week	Sports Relief Week - Further details to follow
Wed 11 th March	9am-10am	Foundation Stage Workshop (Understanding the World)
Thurs 12 th March	9.30am	B2: The Morpurgos - Class Assembly (B2 Parents Welcome)
Mon 16 th - Fri 20 th March	All Week	Mothers' Day Lunches
Tues 17 th March	Morning	Class Photos
Wed 18 th March	12.30pm-3pm	Years 4-6 Boccia Competition, Fairfield
Thurs 19 th March	Morning	Mothers' Day Presents - £1.50 per present (PTA)
Tues 24 th March	All Day	Years 3-6 Cross Country Event
Wed 25 th March	3pm	Foundation Stage and KS1 Spring Hat Parade
Thurs 26 th March	9.30am	R6: The Seusses - Class Assembly (R6 Parents Welcome)
Fri 27 th March	3.30pm	Year 1 Cake Sale
Tues 31 st March	2.30pm	Year 5 Easter Assembly (H3 & H4 Parents and Carers Welcome)
Wed 1 st April	-	Last Day of Term 4 - Non Uniform Day for all Children (PTA)
TERM 5 Date	Time	Event
Thurs 16 th April	-	Start of Term 5
Fri 17 th April	-	Year 5 Residential Trip to London Science Museum

Academic Term Dates overleaf/...

Academic Term Dates 2019-2020

INSET DAYS	Monday 6 th and Tuesday 7 th January
Term 3	Wednesday 8 th January - Friday 14 th February
HALF TERM	Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February
Term 4	Monday 24 th February - Wednesday 1 st April
EASTER BREAK	Thursday 2nd April - Wednesday 15th April
Bank Holidays	Good Friday 10 th April and Easter Monday 13 th April

SUMMER TERM 2020

Term 5	Thursday 16 th April - Friday 22 nd May
Bank Holidays	Friday 8 th May (VE Day*) and Monday 25 th May
HALF TERM	Tuesday 26th May - Friday 29th May
INSET DAY	Monday 1 st June
Term 6	Tuesday 2 nd June - Wednesday 22 nd July

* Central Government has changed this Bank Holiday from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May 2020 to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day.

Academic Term Dates 2020-2021

AUTUMN TERM 2020

INSET DAYS	Tuesday 1 st September and Wednesday 2 nd September
Term 1	Thursday 3 rd September - Friday 23 rd October
HALF TERM	Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October
Term 2	Monday 2 nd November - Friday 18 th December
CHRISTMAS BREAK	Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January

SPRING TERM 2021

INSET DAYS	Monday 4 th and Tuesday 5 th January
Term 3	Wednesday 6 th January - Friday 12 th February
HALF TERM	Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February
Term 4	Monday 22 nd February - Thursday 1 st April
Bank Holidays	Good Friday 2 nd April and Easter Monday 5 th April
EASTER BREAK	Tuesday 6th April - Friday 16th April

SUMMER TERM 2021

Term 5	Monday 19 th April - 28 th May
Bank Holidays	Monday 3 rd May and Monday 31 st May
HALF TERM	Tuesday 1st June - Friday 4th June
INSET DAY	Monday 7 th June
Term 6	Tuesday 8 th June - Wednesday 21 st July