



NEW ASH GREEN SCHOOL NEWS



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MARCH 2021 NEWSLETTER

Curriculum Core Values - 'Together Everyone Achieves More'

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our Newsletter for March 2021. As we head towards the end of Term 4 and to a well deserved Easter break for the whole of the school community, I would like to thank everyone for their continued support and dedication. These last few weeks have been an adjustment for everyone, but I am incredibly proud how well all the children have been able to settle back into the routine of school life to continue their learning. The last day of term is Thursday 1st April, so the school will close for the Easter break from Friday 2nd April to Friday 16th April. We look forward to seeing all the children return for the start of Term 5 on Monday, 19th April 2021.

Mrs C.A. Cain, Headteacher

Comic Relief: Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone within the school community for raising a magnificent:

£357.99

towards Comic Relief which took place on Friday, 19th March 2021. Our school was filled with amazing superheroes during the day!

The children also enjoyed learning about Red Nose Day and how the money raised is going to be used. Your support is hugely appreciated.



Birthday Sweets at School

From Term 5, if any children are due to celebrate their birthday, parents and carers will be permitted once again to arrange for their child to bring in a selection of sealed sweets for their class, if they wish. Any sweets must be handed to the school at least 72 hours beforehand, so please ensure you allow sufficient time. Thank you.



Thank You to our Local Co-op

We were delighted to receive a beautiful hamper from the Co-op Team in recognition of our support for all the local children in the area. It was a very kind gesture and one which was hugely appreciated, as you can see from our picture below. Thank you very much to our local Co-op store.



New Ash Green Primary School

Our local Co-op Store in New Ash Green has prepared a short video in support of Fair Trade products for our school community to view. Please click onto the link below to share with your child. Thank you.
<https://youtu.be/OF4-qdiTcSA>

Safer Internet Day



Thank you
New Ash Green Primary School
for supporting Safer Internet
Day 2021 and helping to keep
your pupils safe online.

Lesley Dyball

Clr Lesley Dyball
Cabinet Member for People & Places

We have great pleasure in enclosing an extract of a certificate the school has received in recognition of our support for last month's Safer Internet Day.

A copy of this has been placed on the school's website under 'E-Safety', for your information.

Thank You to Mrs Jane Wilkinson

We would like to thank Mrs Wilkinson for her tireless work, support and her invaluable experience as the school's former Chair of Governors. On behalf of the school, we would like to express our very best wishes to her for the future.

New Appointments within the Governing Body

We have very great pleasure in announcing the following new appointments within the Governing Body:

- Mrs Eleanor Hawkins, Chair of Governors
- Mrs Caroline Mitchell, Vice Chair of Governors
- Mrs Carol Clark, Lead Governor

Many congratulations.



**Reminder:
Ordering Hot Meals
for Your Child**



We would like to remind all parents and carers that if you wish your child to receive a hot meal via the school's catering company, CH&CO, then you must ensure they are registered and an order is placed online beforehand. Please ensure that any orders are placed in advance and are **no later than 8am of the morning that the meal is required.** By not placing an order in advance for your child, undue pressure is being placed on the kitchen to provide the additional food. Thank you for your co-operation.



Our uniform supplier, Brigade, has asked us to inform our parents and carers of the revised deadline of **1st August 2021**, to place any new orders. Please order early if you are using this service for the first time, to allow for sufficient time to make any exchanges. Parents and carers can order after 1st August, but Brigade cannot guarantee delivery prior to the start of term. Details of how to order, as well as guidance on how to measure your child are attached to this newsletter.



Mental Health and Well-Being

We are continuing to provide a wide range of resources for our school community to support emotional well-being and mental health during this time. Please refer to our website in the 'Well-Being' section for presentations and other material.

Kooth is a free online counselling and emotional well-being support service providing young people aged 10-16 years (up to 17th birthday) in Kent with a safe and secure means of accessing support with their emotional health and well-being needs, from a professional team of qualified counsellors.

By accessing Kooth, young people can benefit from:

- **A free, confidential, anonymous and safe** way to receive support online.
- **Out of hours' availability.** Counsellors are available from 12 noon to 10pm on weekdays and 6pm to 10pm at weekends, every day of the year on a drop-in basis.
- **Online Counselling** from a professional team of BACP qualified counsellors is available via one-to-one chat sessions, or messaging on a drop-in basis or via booked sessions.
- **Discussion Boards** which are all pre-moderated allow young people to access peer to peer support.
- **Online Magazine** full of moderated articles, many of which are submitted by young people offering advice and guidance on a huge range of topics.
- **No referral** is required. Young people can register for Kooth independently at www.kooth.com.



Annual Parent/Carer Questionnaire 2021

The school would like all parents and carers to be able to provide their feedback and so as part of our annual questionnaire for 2021, please find attached a link below for you to click onto and submit your replies. Your feedback is important to the school and will be greatly appreciated, so please do take a moment to complete this questionnaire. Thank you for your support.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=600GQ77WIEuL6yep6P7LrigBG9V4QGJLifITs91CF1xUNFk3OEMwT1BVNIU5TDRVSVZXOTIGNUFKVC4u>



[Fill | Parent Questionnaire 2021](#)

Your feedback is much appreciated.
forms.office.com

Academic Term Dates: 2020/2021

INSET days: In-Service Training Days when children do not attend school



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 - Friday 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

Academic Term Dates: 2021/2022

AUTUMN TERM 2021

INSET DAYS	Wednesday 1 st , Thursday 2 nd and Friday 3 rd September
Term 1	Monday 6 th September - Friday 22 nd October
HALF TERM	Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October
Term 2	Monday 1 st November - Friday 17 th December
CHRISTMAS BREAK	Monday 20th December - Monday 3rd January

SPRING TERM 2022

INSET DAY	Tuesday 4 th January
Term 3	Wednesday 5 th January - Friday 11 th February
HALF TERM	Monday 14th February to Friday 18th February
Term 4	Monday 21 st February - Friday 1 st April
Bank Holidays	Good Friday 15 th April and Easter Monday 18 th April
EASTER BREAK	Monday 4th April - Monday 18th April

SUMMER TERM 2022

Term 5	Tuesday 19 th April - Friday 27 th May
Bank Holidays	Monday 2 nd May
HALF TERM	Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June
INSET DAY	Monday 6 th June
Term 6	Tuesday 7 th June - Friday 22 nd July

