



NEW ASH GREEN SCHOOL NEWS



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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our Newsletter for May 2022. As we head towards the half term break, it has been a pleasure to see how busy and exciting the school has become over the last few months. We have been delighted to see the children enjoy their class trips and the many other events, which have taken place at the school during Term 5. Details of the remaining trips for Years 2, 5 and 6 will follow after the half term. Our Year 5 children have now completed all of their swimming lessons, which was a pleasure to see them enjoy. **Year 6** children will be starting their swimming lessons straight after the half term on **Tuesday, 7th June**. A further reminder of these dates are below, for your reference. This week, the school has been celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, which ended with the children enjoying an afternoon tea outside on the playing field to commemorate this event. The children had a fantastic time singing and listening to music in the sunshine whilst they enjoyed their cucumber sandwiches! Class assemblies will continue in Term 6. Our Year 6 children will be performing their Production towards the end of the summer term. The date for this event will be confirmed very soon. I really hope that you all have a wonderful half term break and I look forward to seeing all the children return for the start of **Term 6 on Tuesday, 7th June**. The school will not be open to children on Monday, 6th June.

Kind regards, Mrs C.A. Cain, Headteacher

Remainder of Swimming and Class Trips in Term 6

Please be reminded of the forthcoming swimming lessons for **Year 6**, which are to begin on the first day of **Term 6 on Tuesday, 7th June**. Please arrange for children to arrive on the day of their swimming lesson in their PE kit, for ease of changing. Thank you.

Children must remember to ensure they have their swimming kit with them on the day

Year 6 Swimming Dates Every Tuesday in Term 6 from:

7 th June 2022
14 th June 2022
21 st June 2022
28 th June 2022
5 th July 2022
12 th July 2022

Remainder of Class Trips in Year Groups

Date	Year	Trip
Thurs, 23 rd June	6 (H1 & H2)	Bowl Water
Wed, 29 th June	2 (R1 & R2)	Hever Castle
Wed, 13 th July	5 (H3 & H4)	Horton Kirby

**Remainder of Class Assemblies for
Term 6 2022
at 10.00-10.30am**

Date	Class
Tuesday, 14 th June	H4
Thursday, 16 th June	B1
Tuesday, 21 st June	B3
Thursday, 23 rd June	R3
Tuesday, 28 th June	B2
Thursday, 30 th June	R6
Tuesday, 5 th July	B4

Please be advised that Year 6 children will be having their Year 6 Production instead of a class assembly. Further details will follow regarding this.

Ukrainian Appeal Funds Raised



Thank you very much for supporting our Ukrainian Appeal a few weeks ago through all of your kind donations of clothing and other items. A magnificent £443.68 was also raised from your very kind generosity. All funds has now been forwarded to Save the Children in aid of supporting families in Ukraine.

**HAF (Holiday Activities and Food)
Programmes for Families Eligible
For Free School Meals**

Please refer to the attached details of local events taking place for families are who eligible for Free School Meals. Supermarket and Leisure Discount vouchers have been sent to those families eligible for this scheme.

**Welcoming New Members
of Staff to the School**

We have great pleasure to announce the following new members of staff who are due to join the school from Term 6:

- **Miss Colley** - Teaching Assistant in H3, Year 5.
- **Mrs Brogan** - additional Teaching Assistant support for R5, Year 1.
- **Miss Briscoe** - additional Teaching Assistant support for R1, Year 2.

**A Fond Farewell to Our Learning Mentor,
Mrs Humphreys**

Mrs Humphreys will be leaving the school on Friday 17th June. We are sure you would like to join the school in wishing Mrs Humphreys all the very best for the future. In the meantime, she is preparing the children for a smooth transition for her successor. Congratulations to Mrs Corley who will be taking over this role.

Sevenoaks District Children's Centres

Please find details below of the events taking place at the Sevenoaks District Children's Centres from June through to July.

Sevenoaks District Children's Centre

Come along to our centres and join in the fun!
No booking needed.
6th June - 15th July 2022

Stay and Play

- Swanley Children's Centre - Tuesdays 10am to 11:30am
- New Ash Green Children's Centre - Wednesdays 10am to 11:30am
- West Kingsdown Children's Centre - Mondays 1:30pm to 3pm
- Springhouse Children's Centre - Fridays 10am to 11:30am
- Edenbridge Children's Centre - Thursdays 10am-11:30am

Rhyme Time

- Swanley Library - Mondays 10am to 10:30am and 11am to 11:30am
Wednesdays 10am to 10:30am
- New Ash Green Library - Tuesdays 2:30pm to 3pm
- Hartley Library - Fridays 10am to 10:30am
- The Eden Centre - Tuesdays 10am to 10:30am and 11am to 11:30am
- Playground Edenbridge Children's Centre -
Wednesdays 1:30pm to 2:15pm

Please note there will be no delivery on the 13th July 2022.

Sure Start Children's Centres
Sevenoaks District



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee - June 2022



The school has enjoyed a wonderful week of celebrations and events to commemorate the **Queen's Platinum Jubilee** - the highlight of which saw all the children enjoy an **afternoon tea** outside on the playing fields on the last day of term. The children were also able to enjoy **special treats**, such as the delicious food provided by Nourish Catering, which you can see below.

The children were also very fortunate to each receive a **very special commemorative coin**, provided very kindly by the Parish of Ash Church.

A huge thank you to everyone from the Ash-cum-Ridley Parish for this very kind gesture.

The children also wore red, white and blue on the last day of term and very kindly donated £1 towards our PTA. Thank you for everyone for all your support, which has enabled the children to enjoy a truly memorable week.



Online Safety Workshop - Wednesday, 8th June 2022

We would like to invite all Parents and Carers to an Online Workshop on **Wednesday, 8th June from 9.00am to 9.30am.**

The workshop will be taking place at school in the Main Hall and will be an opportunity for parents and carers to hear how the school teaches children to keep themselves safe online.

We look forward to seeing you all then.

Reminder: No Smart Watches Please at School

We would like to remind all parents and carers that children are not permitted to wear any type of Smart watch to school which have similar functions to those of a phone, a PC or a tablet. Thank you.

Year 5 Kent Test - Procedure to Entry for Secondary Education (PESE)

We would like to let all Parents and Carers know that if you would like to register your child to take their Kent Test in September 2022, for entry into secondary school for September 2023, then the link below will be open to use **from Wednesday, 1st June and will close at midnight on Friday, 1st July**, as detailed below. Further details with regard to the Procedure to Entry to Secondary Education will follow in due course.

Kent Test

For children starting secondary school in September 2023

If your child is currently in Year 5, and you would like to apply to a Kent Grammar school, register online at kent.gov.uk/kenttest

Opens Wednesday 1 June 2022 and closes at midnight on Friday 1 July 2022

Who is the Kent Test for?

The Kent Test is for children who would like to apply for a Kent Grammar school place for September 2023 and are resident in the UK or are children of UK Service Personnel and other Crown Servants returning to the UK. A list of Kent Grammar schools can be found [here](#). Schools in Medway, Bexley and Bromley are outside the Kent Local Authority area. If you live outside Kent, please consider carefully before registering whether your child can attend the testing session in Kent, and how they would travel to school if they were offered a school place in Kent.

How do I register for the Kent Test?

Go to kent.gov.uk/kenttest and create an online account. You are the parent/guardian, you then need to add your child's details to the account before starting a registration. When you have completed the process and submitted your registration you should receive a confirmation email. If you do not, the registration may not have been completed correctly.

What if my child has access requirements?

If your child has a disability or SEN which will affect their access to testing, you should discuss this with their primary school before registering them, as the school will need to apply for any necessary access arrangements.

What happens after I register?

If your child attends a school outside of Kent, we will email you the details of their test centre by the end of August. Email us if your child changes primary school, moves house or you change your email address. Otherwise, their test papers may go to the wrong place, or you may not get their results.

How do I apply for a Kent Grammar school?

Apply by naming the school as a preference on your Local Authority's secondary application form.

If my child is assessed suitable for grammar school by the Kent Test, will I automatically be offered a grammar school place?

No, a Kent Grammar school assessment does not guarantee that your child will be offered a place in a Kent Grammar school. Grammar schools are often oversubscribed, meaning they receive more applications than there are available places. Schools use their admissions criteria to rank all applicants in priority order, so it's important to read the admissions criteria for schools you are interested in. A Kent Grammar school can only consider your child for a place if you have named it on your application and your child has been tested and assessed suitable for admission. If your child is not offered a place at the school, you will be able to appeal to an Independent Appeal Panel and may be able to join the school's waiting list.

Key dates

Wednesday 1 June 2022	Registration opens at kent.gov.uk/kenttest . You will receive a confirmation email when registration is complete.
Friday 1 July 2022	Registration closes at midnight. If your child attends a school outside Kent, you will receive an email by the end of August with your allocated test centre.
Thursday 8 September 2022	Children who attend a Kent primary school sit the test in their school.
Saturday 10 September 2022	Children who attend primary schools outside Kent, or are Educated at Home sit the test in a Test Centre.
Tuesday 18 October 2022	Kent Test Decisions emails are sent to the email address used to register the child, after 4pm.

Need help?

Further information about the test and transport to grammar school for low-income families can be found on our website at kent.gov.uk. If your child is outside of the age range for the test, or cannot take the test on a Saturday please email kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk.

For help registering please email kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk. Only one registration per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of registration. Keep your log in details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email – please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.





New Ash Green Primary School Sports Events



Football Events



Year 1 and 2 Team



Year 3 and 4 Team

On **Wednesday 25th June**, our Year 1 and 2 Football Team took part in the Fast Fives football tournament. It was a fun-filled afternoon and great football was played by everyone. We won three of our matches and drew three, with lots of fantastic goals. A huge well done to all the team but in particular, congratulations to **Jax A (R1)** who was awarded **Player of the Tournament**.

During the morning of **Thursday 26th June**, our Year 3 and 4 Football Team took part in the Soccer Sixes. It was a very busy morning with two full hours of football played. The team played amazingly well, winning four games, drawing two and losing two. Everyone worked so well as a team.

There were some outstanding goals scored.

Well done to everyone who took part in both football tournaments!



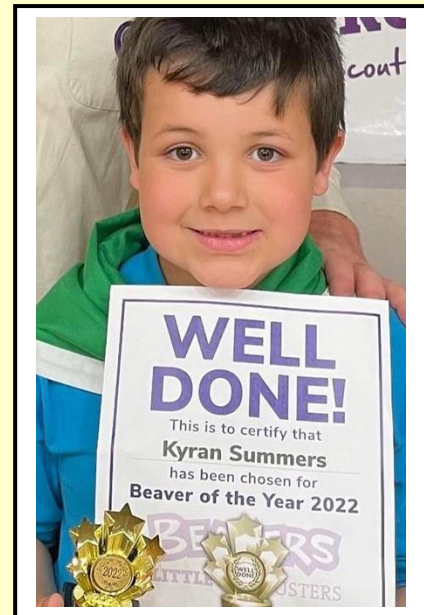
On **Thursday 27th May**, a group of 12 children from Year 5 visited **Lullingstone Country Park** for an exciting morning of orienteering! The children were paired together and tasked with completing a course in the shortest time possible. They had a special tracker that they used to check in to each of the 10 points around the course. All the children did amazingly well - we even won 1st place for the fastest pair in the competition! Congratulations to **Jamie S and Vinny K (H3)** who completed the course in 11 minutes, which was 4 minutes faster than the 2nd place winners! Overall, New Ash Green Primary School came 3rd. What an amazing achievement, well done to everyone involved!



Children Undertaking Extra Curricular Activities



Well done to **Kyran S (R2)** who received a very special Beaver Scout of the Year Award recently. This is a huge achievement after attending for only one year, which has seen his confidence gone from strength to strength. As you can see from the picture opposite, he is very pleased too! Very well done Kyran.



Signposting Well-Being Support for Our New Ash Green Families



Kent and Medway

Please find below details of forthcoming online Parent and Carers' Workshops,
Delivered by the Kent Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

<p>Tuesday 14th June Transition to Secondary School at 6.00pm-7.30pm Click here to join the meeting Feedback link: https://forms.gle/KW5BumkoDd6cmEiZ7</p>	<p>Monday 20th June Understanding Your Child's Behaviour at 6.00pm-7.30pm Click here to join the meeting Feedback link: https://forms.gle/KW5BumkoDd6cmEiZ7</p>
<p>Thursday 30th June Understanding ADHD in Children at 9.30am-11.00am Click here to join the meeting Feedback link: https://forms.gle/KW5BumkoDd6cmEiZ7</p>	<p>Tuesday 5th July Supporting Your Child with Worries and Fears at 9.30am-11.00am Click here to join the meeting Feedback link: https://forms.gle/KW5BumkoDd6cmEiZ7</p>
<p>Monday 11th July Understanding Autism in Children at 9.30am-11.00am Click here to join the meeting Feedback link: https://forms.gle/KW5BumkoDd6cmEiZ7</p>	

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES - MAY 2022

R3 - Reception The Peter Rabbits	R4 - Reception The Terrific Tigers	R5 - Year 1 The Claudes	R6 - Year 1 The Squishy Mcfluffs	R1 - Year 2 The Narwhals	R2 - Year 2 The Zogs
96.55	92.11	89.82	89.74	95.69	96.35

B3 - Year 3 The Mechanics	B4 - Year 3 The Paddingtons	B1 - Year 4 The Butterfly Lions	B2 - Year 3 The Firebirds
94.80	96.88	96.23	92.92

H3 - Year 5 The Percy Jacksons	H4 - Year 5 The Huckleberry Finns	H1 - Year 6 The Joeys	H2 - Year 6 The Malkins
93.51	96.32	96.05	92.19

The teachers whose class achieved the highest attendance level for the month of **MAY 2022** is

Mrs Bassett and Mrs Matharu - B4, Year 3 - The Paddingtons who will be given £50 to spend on new books for the classroom

WELL DONE TO B4 CLASS!

Diary Dates for Term 6: 2021/2022

TERM 6 Date	Time	Event
Tuesday 7 th June	-	Start of Term 6
Tuesday 7 th June	Afternoon	Year 6 Swimming - First Lesson
Wednesday, 8 th June	9.00am	Online Safety Workshop - Parents Welcome
Thursday, 9 th June	9.30am	Year 5 Briefing for Entry to Secondary School - Year 5 Parents
Monday 13 th June	-	Fit4Life Workshop
Tuesday 14 th June	10.00am	H4 Class Assembly - H4 Parents and Carers welcome
Tuesday 14 th June	Afternoon	Year 6 Swimming
Wednesday, 15 th June	-	Fit4Life Workshop
Thursday 16 th June	10.00am	B1 Class Assembly - B1 Parents and Carers welcome
Thursday 16 th June	Morning	Father's Day Presents - details to follow
Tuesday 21 st June	10.00am	B3 Class Assembly - B3 Parents and Carers welcome
Tuesday 21 st June	Afternoon	Year 6 Swimming
Thursday 23 rd June	All Day	Year 6 Class Trip to Bewl Water - details to follow
Thursday 23 rd June	10.00am	R3 Class Assembly - R3 Parents and Carers welcome
Tuesday 28 th June	10.00am	B2 Class Assembly - B2 Parents and Carers welcome
Tuesday 28 th June	Afternoon	Year 6 Swimming
Wednesday, 29 th June	All Day	Year 2 Class Trip to Hever Castle - details to follow
Thursday 30 th June	10.00am	R6 Class Assembly - R6 Parents and Carers welcome
Tuesday 5 th July	10.00am	B4 Class Assembly - B4 Parents and Carers welcome
Tuesday 5 th July	Afternoon	Year 6 Swimming
Tuesday 12 th July	Afternoon	Year 6 Swimming - Last Lesson
Wednesday 13 th July	All Day	Year 5 Class Trip to Horton Kirby - details to follow

Academic Term Dates for 2021/2022



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 - Thursday 21st July* (*Please note date change)

Academic Term Dates 2022/2023

AUTUMN TERM 2022

INSET DAYS	Thursday 1 st and Friday 2 nd September
Term 1	Monday 5 th September - Friday 21 st October
HALF TERM	Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October
Term 2	Monday 31 st October - Friday 16 th December
CHRISTMAS BREAK	Monday 19th December - Monday 2nd January

SPRING TERM 2023

INSET DAY	Tuesday 3 rd and Wednesday 4 th January
Term 3	Thursday 5 th January - Friday 10 th February
HALF TERM	Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February
Term 4	Monday 20 th February - Friday 31 st March
Bank Holidays	Good Friday 7 th April and Easter Monday 10 th April
EASTER BREAK	Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April

SUMMER TERM 2023

Term 5	Monday 17 th April - Friday 26 th May
Bank Holidays	Monday 1 st May and 29 th May
HALF TERM	Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June
INSET DAY	Monday 5 th June
Term 6	Tuesday 6 th June - Friday 21 st July

