

NEW ASH GREEN SCHOOL NEWS



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OCTOBER 2024/2025 NEWSLETTER

Curriculum Core Values - 'Together Everyone Achieves More'

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Dear Parents and Carers

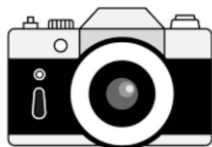
Welcome to our newsletter for October 2024. Once again, I would like to thank all our parents and carers for your continued support during the start of this new academic year. It has been a great pleasure to see the children settle into their new classes and year groups during Term 1. As we head into the new term, the school diary will become busy with lots of activities and events taking place, so please do refer to the timetable at the foot of the newsletter for further dates. In the meantime, I would like to wish all of our school community a wonderful half term break and we look forward to seeing the children return for the start of Term 2 on **Monday, 4th November 2024**.

Mrs C.A. Cain, Executive Headteacher

General Reminders and Notifications:

**Reminder for All Children at the School:
Individual and Family Photos
Friday 8th November 2024**

Please be reminded that the School's Photographer, Braiswick, will be coming to the school on **Friday 8th November 2024** to take individual and family photos of all the children.



Reminder:

**H2 - Year 6 Class Assembly:
Thursday 14th November 2024 at 10:00am**

We would like to remind our H2, Year 6 parents and carers that your child's class assembly will be taking place at the above date and time. Please may we also remind all parents and carers to not upload videos or photos from this assembly or any other performance onto any social media platform.
Thank you for your co-operation.

**Reminder for Reception and Year 6
Children: National Child Measurement
Programme (NCMP):
Tuesday 12th November 2024**

Please be reminded of the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP), for children in Reception and Year 6, will be taking place at the school on **Tuesday 12th November 2024**.

Details of how to **opt out** of this programme were sent to parents and carers in September. The online portal to do this has now closed, however, if you have any queries about this please call the Kent Health Team direct on: **0300 123 5205**, option two. No further action is required if you are in agreement for your child to take part, as all children will automatically be included unless you have confirmed otherwise. Thank you.



Kent Community Health
NHS Foundation Trust

Reminder for Year 6 Parents and Carers: Online Secondary School Applications

We would like to remind our Year 6 parents and carers that the online application for your child's secondary school will **close at midnight on Thursday, 31st October 2024.**

Please use the following link:
www.kent.gov.uk/ola to apply.

Further details are also detailed below.

Admission to Secondary school in Kent 2025

Apply online at
kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

Opens Monday 2 September 2024 and closes at midnight on Thursday 31 October 2024

For children born between
1 September 2013
and 31 August 2014,
Transferring to Secondary
school in September 2025

What to do

Choose a school	Apply for a school place	Receiving your offer
<p>It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.</p> <p>Read the Guide to Secondary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions.</p> <p>You can name up to four Secondary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.</p>	<p>A simple, fast, convenient process which opens Monday 2 September 2024 and closes at midnight on Thursday 31 October 2024</p> <p>If you already have an account set up from the Kent Test process, please use these login details.</p> <p>You will receive an email confirmation that your application has been submitted correctly and that the LA has received it.</p> <p>You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.</p>	<p>On offer day (Monday 3 March 2025) an email will be sent after 4pm informing you of your offer.</p> <p>You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by Monday 17 March 2025.</p> <p>If we have not offered your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list if your child is eligible for admission.</p>

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you have queries relating to this, please email the team on one of the email addresses below.

Key dates

Monday 2 nd September 2024	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions to register and apply.
Thursday 31 October 2024	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Monday 3 rd March 2025	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
Monday 17 th March 2025	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of eligible schools named on the original application.
Monday 31 st March 2025	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September - appeals information can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Need help?

Email kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk

Full information booklet can also be viewed online at kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login 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.

Please note applications can only be made via Kent County Council if the child resides at a Kent address. If your child does not reside at a Kent address, you must make an application via your Local Authority.



Reminder for Parents and Carers with Children due to start Reception Next Year:

We would like our parents and carers to know that if you have a child who is due to start school in Reception next year, then online applications via Kent County Council will open from **Tuesday 5th November 2024.**

For further information, please refer to the following link:

[Primary school places - Kent County Council](#)

We are also holding Open Days at the school on **Wednesday 20th November** and **Wednesday 27th November 2024** - please see the flyer below for further information.

Please note: we are getting quite full for the first Open Day on Wednesday 20th November, so we would ask that if you wish to view the school and have not yet booked a space, then please come along on Thursday 27th November instead. Thank you.

NEW ASH GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Together Everyone Achieves More

Self Motivation Independence Curiosity Inspiration Resilience Challenge

Is your child due to start school in September 2025?
If so, you are invited to visit us during our
OPEN MORNINGS - book early!

Come and see the whole school in action
and meet the teachers over refreshments.

9.30am - 10.30am.
Wednesday 20th November and
Wednesday 27th November 2024

To book a place on one of our Open Mornings, please
email the school office at office@new-ash.kent.sch.uk

Extracts from our recent OFSTED inspection report

Everyone works well as a team to provide the very best for the pupils.
Children participate fully in their learning.

Expectations are high and pupils rise to these.
Pupils behave well.

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General Reminders and Notifications:



Please find attached to this newsletter, the latest weekly menu from Nourish Catering, which will be with effect from the start of the new term. Additional menus relating to Dairy and Gluten Free dietary requirements are available on request.

Reminder: Foundation Workshop for Reception Parents and Carers:

Tuesday 19th November 2024 at 9am

We look forward to welcoming all Reception parents and carers to come along on the above date at 9am to hear about Phonics and how this will help your child learn to read, followed by a visit to your child's classroom.

A Polite Reminder:

We have been asked to remind all of our school community to be careful when using the car park in North Square, especially during busy times such as when children are dropped off during the morning and collected at the end of the day. Unfortunately, we received a report recently where a parent's leg was caught by a car reversing, with the driver being unaware there was a pedestrian behind them. This also raises additional concerns of the children's safety as well.

We would like to ask therefore that you remain observant at all times when using this busy car park.

Many thanks for your support.

Police Crime and Commissioner's School

Kent Police has launched an Annual Youth Survey, asking the school to circulate a survey to our parents and carers regarding their experiences of social media, online bullying and safety. If you would like to complete this survey to provide your feedback, then please use the link below:

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/PrimaryYouthSurvey/>

Thank you for your support.



Our Annual Flu Immunisation Programme at the School:

The Immunisation Service would like to invite parents to book an appointment at one of their Community Clinics if your child recently missed their Childhood Flu Immunisation during their visit to our school recently. Parents can book an appointment via their website on the link below, clicking 'Book a Clinic Appointment':
<https://www.kentcht.nhs.uk/service/immunisation-team/>

This link also provides other useful information regarding vaccinations and the Immunisation Service.

If your child was vaccinated during the recent visit at the school, you are invited to complete the following survey: [Parent / Carer Survey](#)

Thank you.

Half Term Rackets



THIS OFFER IS FOR UNDER 18'S ONLY
It will be £1 per person for all playing.

Racket sports can be booked online

Please scan the QR Code to book or go to
<https://ashgreensportscentre.clubright.co.uk/memberarea/bookings>

£1
Per Person



Children under 9 must be accompanied by an adult.





On **Saturday 12th October**, our Years 5 and 6 Boys' Football Team took part in the Cooke Shield Tournament at Riverview Junior School. The team played brilliantly, not conceding a single goal and going on to win the Cooke Shield for the second year running. The boys then went on to beat St George's in a Shield Final, winning a space to represent the Gravesham District later on in the school year. A fantastic achievement- very well done New Ash Green!

Well done to everyone in our fantastic Football Team!



Well done Nico E, B3!

We are delighted to hear that Crystal Palace Girls' Team has just signed **Nico** from **B3** for their Under Age 10s Football Club for the 2024/2025 season. Nico has been training on Friday nights for 2 hours since the middle of September and now plays in their fixtures. In her second game (where they won 5-3), Nico scored her first goal for the club! Nico is already playing a year ahead as an 8 year old and also at the highest level a girl can play in the country. We are all very proud of the effort and determination she puts into every game.

Well done Nico!

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES - OCTOBER 2024

R3 - Reception The Busy Bees	R4 - Reception The Lion Cubs	R5 - Year 1 The Cosmic Crew	R6 - Year 1 The Paddington Bears	R1 - Year 2 The Pangolins	R2 - Year 2 The Hodgehegs
96%	99%	94%	91%	93%	89%

B1 - Year 3 The Persevering Penguins	B2 - Year 3 The Tenacious Tribe	B3 - Year 4 The Jaguars	B4 - Year 4 The Speedy Sloths
94%	96%	90%	96%

H3 - Year 5 The Myth Makers	H4 - Year 5 The Alpine Adventurers	H1 - Year 6 The Baskervilles	H2 - Year 6 The Air Chief Marshalls
92%	95%	95%	90%

**Reminder: Year 5
Swimming Lessons Due to
Start on Wednesday,
6th November 2024**

We would like to remind all parents and carers in Year 5 that your child's swimming lessons are due to start in Term 2 on the above date. Please refer to your original letter for further details regarding what your child needs to bring with them, as well as details on how to provide your voluntary contribution via ParentMail.
Thank you.

The teacher whose class achieved the highest attendance level for the month of **October 2024** is
Mrs Gingell - R4 Class - Reception
who will be given £50 to spend on new books for the classroom

WELL DONE TO R4 CLASS!

Diary Dates for Term 2 - November 2024

Date	Time	Event
Monday, 4 th November	-	Start of Term 2
Wednesday 6 th November	Morning	Year 5 Swimming Lessons - Week 1
Friday 8 th November	Morning	Individual and Family Photos
Friday, 8 th November	Separate Letter	Years 5 & 6 Cross Country Event at Cobham Hall
Tuesday 12 th November	Morning	Reception and Year 6 children only - NCMP at the school
Wednesday, 13 th November	Morning	Year 5 Swimming Lessons - Week 2
Thursday 14 th November	10:00am	H2, Year 6 Class Assembly - Parents and Carers welcome
Tuesday 19 th November	9:00am	Foundation Stage Workshop - Phonics, Helping Your Child to Read
Wednesday, 20 th November	Morning	Year 5 Swimming Lessons - Week 3
Wednesday 20 th November	9:30-10:30am	Open Mornings for New Intake (Reception 2025)
Thursday 21 st November	10:00am	H1, Year 6 Class Assembly - Parents and Carers welcome
Wednesday 27 th November	9:30-10:30am	Open Mornings for New Intake (Reception 2025)
Wednesday 27 th November	Morning	Year 5 Swimming Lessons - Week 4
Thursday 28 th November	10:00am	H4, Year 5 Class Assembly - Parents and Carers welcome
Wednesday 4 th December	10:00am	Year 5 Swimming Lessons - Week 5 - Last Lesson
Thursday 5 th December	10:00am	H3, Year 5 Class Assembly - Parents and Carers welcome
Thursday 5 th December	Morning	Christmas Presents for Parents (organised by the PTA)

For further festive dates, please refer overleaf to the last page of the newsletter



New Ash Green Primary School

Academic Term Dates 2024-2025



AUTUMN TERM 2024

INSET DAYS	Monday 2 nd September and Tuesday 3 rd September
Term 1	Wednesday 4 th September - Friday 25 th October
HALF TERM	Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November
Term 2	Monday 4 th November - Friday 20 th December
CHRISTMAS BREAK	Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January

SPRING TERM 2025

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 - Friday 4 th April
Bank Holidays	Good Friday 18 th April and Easter Monday 21 st April
EASTER BREAK	Monday 7th April - Monday 21st April

SUMMER TERM 2025

Term 5	Tuesday 22 nd April - Friday 23 rd May
Bank Holidays	Monday 5 th May and Monday 26 th May
HALF TERM	Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May
INSET DAY	Monday 2 nd June
Term 6	Tuesday 3 rd June - Tuesday 22 nd July

Early Notification of our **Festive Events:** further details to follow:

Christmas Presents for Parents:
Thursday, 5th December
Bramleyham
Festive Assembly:
Thursday 12th December
Roundwood Nativity:
Tuesday 17th and
Wednesday
18th December
Hemstalls Carol Concert:
Thursday 19th December



Supporting the School by Recycling: If you have any unwanted clothing you would like to donate, please bring them to the school office and we will pass these items to **The Little Recyclers**, who will raise funds on our behalf.

We Do Accept	No Thank You
<p>Good quality clean clothing for (adults, children or babies) as well as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shoes (paired) • Bags/hats & scarves • Belts/fashion accessories <p style="text-align: center;">Thank you for your support</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dirty, wet or damaged clothing • Underwear & socks • Duvets & pillows • Carpets, rugs, mats, curtains • Linen, towels, bedding • Single shoes • Uniforms or any Workwear • Baby items (prams, baskets, etc.) • Electrical appliances • Soft/hard toys

SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

More clothes - more funds for your organisation. 1 kg = £0.55

YOUR COLLECTION IS ARRANGED ON:

18 DECEMBER
WEDNESDAY

FILL ANY BAGS WITH CLOTHING AND BRING THEM TO SCHOOL/ORGANISATION WE WILL COLLECT AND WEIGH THEM

WE ACCEPT

- Good quality clean clothing (adult's, children's, baby)
- Shoes (paired)
- Bags
- Hats & scarves
- Belts
- Fashion accessories
- Swimwear, lingerie
- Jewellery
- Perfumes

WE DON'T ACCEPT

- Uniforms
- Dirty, wet, ripped, damaged clothing
- Traditional clothing
- Duvets & pillows
- Single shoes
- Toys, stationery
- Brife-a-brac & electrical items
- Books, CDs, DVDs
- V-workwear
- Carpets, rugs, mats, curtains
- Hygiene items, diapers
- Linen & towels

PLEASE NO UNIFORMS & DUVETS!

RAISE MONEY FOR YOUR SCHOOL BY GIVING AWAY YOUR UNWANTED CLOTHES

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