

# NEW ASH GREEN SCHOOL NEWS



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## SEPTEMBER 2024/2025 NEWSLETTER

### Curriculum Core Values - 'Together Everyone Achieves More'

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our September 2024/2025 Newsletter. As we move into the second half of Term 1, it has been such a pleasure to see the children start the new academic year, ready and eager to learn. In particular, I would like to extend a big welcome to our new parents and carers in our Reception classes whose children have now joined our school on a full-time basis. It has been a delight to see them begin their learning journey at the school. Well done also to some of our Year 6 children who sat their Kent Test at the beginning of the term. It is never easy to accomplish this so soon after returning from a long summer break and so we were very pleased to see how well the children rose to the challenge. I am pleased to confirm that our new After School Clubs began last week, which includes our new After School Art Club starting with our Years 3 and 4 children. Details of our lunchtime and other clubs are also attached to this newsletter. In the meantime, please do continue to keep an eye out for further communication regarding events and activities planned for the coming months.

Mrs C.A. Cain, Executive Headteacher

#### Special Autumn Census Lunch This Week

**Thursday, 3rd October 2024**

Please remember that the school will be having its special Autumn Census Lunch Day, on **Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October.**

Please refer to the special menu, another copy of which is attached to this newsletter.



#### Reminder: for Whole School Flu Immunisation

**Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024**

Please be reminded of the Flu Immunisation Programme for all children (who have not opted out) will be taking place at the school this week on **Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October.**

**Please discuss this immunisation with your child before this date.**



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#### Your Kind Harvest Donations Please

We would like to ask our parents and carers to donate any dried goods or tinned food into one of our collection boxes for our Harvest Festival, in support of the local charity, The Community Cupboard. Please look out for our donation boxes along the main footpath, which will be available to use this week. Thank you.

**General Reminders & Notifications  
for this Week**

## New Appointments for our Children: Congratulations Everyone!

### Year 6 Appointments - Well Done!

<b>Head Pupils:</b>	Nellie G,(H2) & Ben W (H1)
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#### Leeds House Appointments:

<b>House Captains</b>	Poppy V (H1) & Joe H (H1)
<b>Sports Captains</b>	Cassius E (H2) & Mollie F (H1)

#### Hever House Appointments:

<b>House Captains</b>	Bonita H (H1) & Evan C (H1)
<b>Sports Captains</b>	Torin M (H1) & Harry D (H2)

#### Dover House Appointments:

<b>House Captains</b>	Amelie B (H2) & Blake D (H2)
<b>Sports Captains</b>	Eva K (H2) & Eddie H (H1)

#### Rochester House Appointments:

<b>House Captains</b>	Lola C (H1) & Sinelya H-D (H1)
<b>Sports Captains</b>	Freddy H (H2) & Adrian I (H2)

### School Council Appointments:

<b>Class &amp; Year Group:</b>	<b>Name:</b>
Roundwood 5, Year 1	Daisy F
Roundwood 6, Year 1	Izzy K
Roundwood 1, Year 2	Arlo B
Roundwood 2, Year 2	Mollie L
Bramleyham 1, Year 3	Ollie G
Bramleyham 2, Year 3	Nancy E
Bramleyham 3, Year 4	Charlie T
Bramleyham 4, Year 4	Callum G
Hemstalls 3, Year 5	Evelyn D
Hemstalls 4, Year 5	Tony P
Hemstalls 1, Year 6	Leah M
Hemstalls 2, Year 6	Harry S

### Friendship Ambassador Appointments:

#### H1:

Leah M	Bella T
Sienna M	Rose F
Elsie P	Jack G
Halle A	Alice J

#### H2:

Phoebe H	Elliott C
Eva S	Louis W
Stanley M	Stefan S

The children's lanyards will be given out after their training.

### Eco Representative Appointments:

Roundwood 5, Year 1	Florence W
Roundwood 6, Year 1	Cian M
Roundwood 1, Year 2	Emma O
Roundwood 2, Year 2	Iris F
Bramleyham 1, Year 3	Luna W
Bramleyham 2, Year 3	Ava M
Bramleyham 3, Year 4	Frankie G
Bramleyham 4, Year 4	Zach M
Hemstalls 3, Year 5	Bobbie B
Hemstalls 4, Year 5	Lilly N
Hemstalls 1, Year 6	Bella T
Hemstalls 2, Year 6	Cassius E



**Congratulations and very well done to all the children on being appointed to these new and exciting roles!**

## Important Dates for Year 6 Parents and Carers

### Reminder for Year 6 Parents and Carers:

Please remember to complete your online application for your child's secondary school before midnight on **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024.**

For further information about secondary admissions, please refer to the link below:

<https://kent.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/Synergy/Admissions.aspx>

### A Further Reminder for All Parents and Carers in Year 6:

We would like to remind all Year 6 parents and carers to place the order for your child's Leavers' Hoodie by no later than **Wednesday, 2nd October** as the online shop to do this will close after this date.

The link for the website to do this is:

<https://www.leavershoodies.com/new-ash-green-primary-school-2025-year-6-leavers/september-2024-1>

Thank you



## General Notifications and Additional Reminders:

### **PTA Christmas Card Project: 'My Child's Art'**

We would like to let our parents and carers know of the forthcoming project due to be launched by the PTA. You will be able to order your child's design of their own Christmas Card, which they will have completed at school. All orders and purchases will be made online through a company called 'My Child's Art', further details of which will be sent to you very soon.



### A Welcome to the School

We have great pleasure in welcoming three new members of staff:  
**Miss Harrod-Reid,**  
**Miss Groves and Miss Astell,**  
who have all joined the school as Teaching Assistants. Please join me in congratulating them all on their new appointments.

### A Polite Reminder Please for All Parents and Carers:

We would like to remind all of our school community that children are **not** to use any of the playground equipment, such as the climbing frame and the pirate ship at collection time, as no members of staff will be available to supervise the children after school.

Thank you for your co-operation.

### **Year 5 Class Trip Reminder to Knole Place on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

We would like to remind our Year 5 parents and carers that if you would like your child to join the above trip, then your consent and a voluntary payment must be made by **Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

Thank you.

### **Breakfast Club Reminder**

We would like to remind all parents and carers of the slight increase to our Breakfast Club service. If you would like your child to attend this club, then please let the school office know via email ([office@new-ash.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@new-ash.kent.sch.uk)) when you would like to book a place. Payment is to be made via ParentMail, as usual, at the new cost of **£3.75** per day, per child. Thank you.

### **School Meals Reminder:**

We would like to remind all parents and carers that the cost of a school meal for those children in Years 3 to 6 will now increase to **£2.96**. Thank you.

### **Your Child's Milk Provided at School:**

We have been asked by our milk supplier, Coolmilk, to let our parents and carers know that if you wish to pay for your child's milk then there has been a slight increase from 28p to **31p** a carton, per child, per day.

## General Notifications Continued/....

### Many Congratulations to Mrs McArdle and Mrs Bayliss!

We are delighted to announce the arrival of two beautiful baby girls from our class teachers, **Mrs McArdle** whose daughter, **Ellie**, was born in May and **Mrs Bayliss** whose daughter, **Millie**, arrived in September. As you can see below, both babies are growing wonderfully! I am sure you would like to join us in our many congratulations to both of our members of staff.



Ellie



Millie

### National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) for Children in Reception and Year 6

We have recently sent a letter to all Reception and Year 6 parents and carers on behalf of the Kent Health Team regarding the above programme.

We have now been informed of the date this will be taking place at the school, which will be **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024**.

All children in Reception and Year 6 will automatically be screened for this programme, **unless you have already opted out** for your child to take part.

Thank you.

### **Year 4 Swimming Lessons - Reminder** **Every Wednesday until 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2024**

Please remember to ensure that any weekly payment for your child's swimming lessons are being made and that your child is ready for their next lesson this week on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Thank you.

### **New Class Names for 2024/2025:**

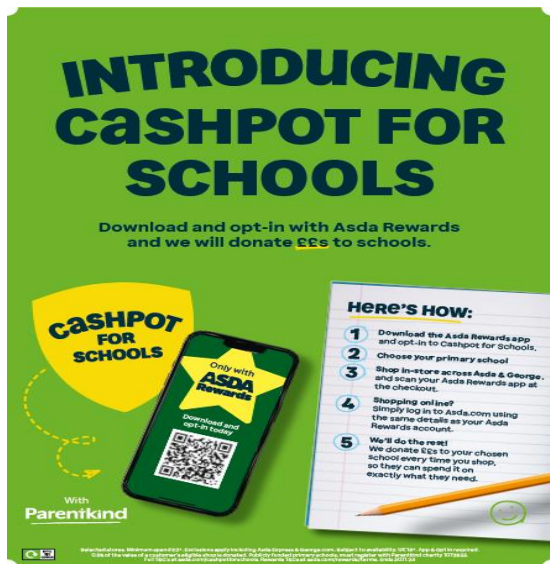
Reception	R3: The Busy Bees
	R4: The Lion Cubs
Year 1	R5: The Cosmic Crew
	R6: The Paddington Bears
Year 2	R1: The Pangolins
	R2: The Hodgehegs
Year 3	B1: The Persevering Penguins
	B2: The Tenacious Tribe
Year 4	B3: The Jaguars
	B4: The Speedy Sloths
Year 5	H3: The Myth Makers
	H4: The Alpine Adventurers
Year 6	H1: The Baskervilles
	H2: The Air Chief Marshals

### **Class Assemblies for 2024/2025:**

**At 10:00am-10:30am**

- H2 - Year 6: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024
- H1 - Year 6: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2024
- H4 - Year 5: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2024
- H3 - Year 5: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2024
- B4 - Year 4: Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2025
- B1 - Year 3: Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2025
- B3 - Year 4: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025
- B2 - Year 3: Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025
- R2 - Year 2: Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2025
- R1 - Year 2: Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025
- R4 - Reception: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025
- R6 - Year 1: Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025
- R3 - Reception: Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2025
- R5 - Year 1: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2025

## Supporting our School Community



### A Reminder About Cashpot for Schools by our PTA

Following our earlier communication regarding this, we would like to thank those parents and carers who have already signed up for **Cashpot for Schools**, which is an exciting initiative organised by Parentkind, a charity that supports school PTAs which has teamed up with the Asda supermarket chain.

Between now and **30th November 2024**, every time you shop with Asda using your Asda Rewards App, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen primary school. This is in addition to anyone opting-in to support our school, as Asda will then give an additional £1 to the School Cashpot. Asda will also donate £50 to every school when they start to use this scheme.

The supermarket has joined forces with Joe Wicks to support the initiative, so do look out for the TV advert, any radio adverts and social media coverage.

#### It's as easy as 1, 2, 3

1. Download the Asda Rewards App, register and opt-in to **Cashpot for Schools** (make sure you have the latest version of the App installed).
2. Choose **New Ash Green Primary School**, either by searching our name or postcode (DA3 8JT).
3. Shop in store across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com and start filling your Cashpot as you shop.

All the money you raise will help our PTA to support our school. Remember, anyone can sign up - so start spreading the news and raising funds for our school!  
Thank you very much.

## A Reminder of our Emotional Well-Being Team (EWT) and Introducing OSI to the School

As you may be aware, New Ash Green Primary School is part of the Emotional Well-being Team for Kent. The EWT supports families and schools to improve emotional well-being and provides early access to support in a variety of ways.

The EWT would now like the school to let all parents and carers know that it has an exciting and innovative offer for our families, a parent-led anxiety intervention called OSI (Online Support and Intervention). OSI is delivered online with weekly calls from a trained practitioner and it is a flexible alternative to face-to-face anxiety interventions to support you and your child.

If you are unsure if OSI is for you, please talk with us at the school, however, if you do feel that OSI may be able to help, please complete a referral online, using the link below to meet with a member of their team. [Kent and Medway Mental Health Support Teams - Self-Referral Options | NELFT NHS Foundation Trust](#)

We hope that you find this support helpful.



### Online Parent Workshops

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

Kent Emotional Wellbeing Teams  
Medway Emotional Support Teams

Me & My Child: Understanding Resilience

Introduction to Understanding Autism 19/09/24 17:30-19:30pm

Understanding Your Child's Behaviour 14/10/24 17:30-19:30pm

Understanding Anxiety 11/11/24 10:30-12:30pm

Understanding Sleep and Autism 11/12/24 10:30-12:30pm

Understanding ADHD in Children 1/10/24 10:30-12:30pm

*\*Workshop times alternate from term to term*

Our online workshops offer information around key topics to help understand what is going on for your child and strategies to support them, based on the latest evidence and practice.

If you would like to join, please raise your interest with your child's school so that they can send you the link. If you have any questions please speak to your child's school.

Our workshops are held on Microsoft Teams. You do not need an account to join. You will need access to the internet. Currently, this workshop is only available to parents/carers of children attending a EWT/EST school. Please speak to your child's school or check our website for our list of schools. If you require materials in another language or have any other access needs then please email:

[EWandESTenquiries@neft.nhs.uk](mailto:EWandESTenquiries@neft.nhs.uk)

We look forward to meeting you.



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## ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES - SEPTEMBER 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
98%	100%	89%	96%	95%	95%

B1 - Year 3 The Persevering Penguins	B2 - Year 3 The Tenacious Tribe	B3 - Year 4 The Jaguars	B4 - Year 4 The Speedy Sloths
96%	96%	97%	98%

H3 - Year 5 The Myth Makers	H4 - Year 5 The Alpine Adventurers	H1 - Year 6 The Baskervilles	H2 - Year 6 The Air Chief Marshalls
95%	94%	95%	94%

Well Done to  
Our Young Historian!



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

WELL DONE TO R4 CLASS!

**Well Done Toby!**  
 Many congratulations to Toby K (B4) who has won an award for the **Young Historian Project**, a national competition where he was one of seven winners. Toby was awarded a £25 book voucher. Very well done Toby.

### Diary Dates for Remainder of Term 1 2024/2025

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Morning	Year 4 Swimming
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Lunchtime	Autumn Census Lunch - All Children
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	All Day	Whole School Nasal Flu Immunisation Programme
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Morning	Year 4 Swimming
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	All Day	Year 5 Class Trip to Knole Place
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Morning	Year 4 Swimming
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	9:30am	Harvest Assemblies for R2, R4 & R6 - Parents Welcome
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	2:45pm	Harvest Assemblies for R1, R3 & R5 - Parents Welcome
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	3:45-6:00pm	Parents and Carers' Consultations - further details to follow
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Morning	Year 4 Swimming - Last lesson
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	4:00-7:00pm	Parents and Carers' Consultations - further details to follow
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	All Day	<b>Last Day of Term 1 - Non-Uniform Day, £1 please for PTA</b>

# New Ash Green Primary School

## Academic Term Dates 2024-2025

### AUTUMN TERM 2024

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

### SPRING TERM 2025

<b>INSET DAYS</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>Term 3</b>	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January - Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>HALF TERM</b>	<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>
<b>Term 4</b>	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February - Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Bank Holidays</b>	Good Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> April and Easter Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April
<b>EASTER BREAK</b>	<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April</b>

### SUMMER TERM 2025

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

