

# NEW ASH GREEN SCHOOL NEWS



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**TERM 2 NEWSLETTER: WINTER 2025**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our festive newsletter which marks the end of Term 2. This term has been incredibly busy with events that have included various stay and learn sessions and workshops, as well as our many sporting achievements, details of which are included overleaf. As we head towards the end of Term 2, we really hope that everyone has been able to enjoy all of the many festive events which have been taking place at the school recently. Our wonderful Christmas performances were a pleasure to see. We were delighted to hear our Choir singing at the Christmas Fair last week and at the Bluewater Shopping Centre (photo below), as well as also to our retired community at the local Youth Centre. We are very proud how the children have worked incredibly hard with these events, so we do hope that you have enjoyed them all. I would like to wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and a very Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing all the children return for the start of **Term 3 on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026.**

Mrs C.A. Cain, Executive Headteacher

Our School Choir Last Week at Bluewater  
Well done to all the children who took part  
in this very special event!



Thank You to our Head Pupils,  
**Verity F & Oscar M, H2** for attending the  
Remembrance Service on behalf of the  
school during November:



Some of the Children from this Week in their Nativity Costumes.

We hope you enjoyed all the festive events!



New Ash Green PTA - Funds Raised - Thank You!

**A Thank You to the New Ash Green PTA**

A huge thank you to the PTA who very kindly provided the Christmas Crackers for the children's special festive school dinner last week - the children and the school were delighted with them. Thank you also to the PTA for working tirelessly to ensure our Christmas Fair was such a success and for providing various snacks for the children's Christmas parties. We would also like to thank all of the other companies who supported our Christmas Fair with their stalls and donations. The Christmas Fair was a huge success, which would not have been possible without the support from our local community.



**An Extra Thank You from our Breakfast Club**

Many thanks also to the PTA for providing the money to our Breakfast Club for the provision of a new football table, which the children will all enjoy.

**End of Term 1 Non-Uniform Day & Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale**

Thank you very much, once again, for your support in our last Non-Uniform Day and the Doughnut Sale which took place at the end of Term 1.

Thanks to your continued kind generosity, the following funds were raised:

- £277.03 - Non-Uniform Day
- £300 - Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale

We will let you know how much we raised for the End of Term 2 Non-Uniform Day during our next newsletter for Term 3.

Thank you very much to all of our school community for supporting our festive events which have been organised by our PTA. Through your incredible support, we have been able to raise an amazing total of **£1,955.46** from all of the recent events as listed below:

- **Presents for Parents = £917.30**
- **Christmas Fair = £1,038.16**

It was a pleasure to see so many of you at our Christmas Fair last week. From your incredible generosity, you can see what an amazing amount was raised. This is hugely appreciated for not just the funds raised at our Christmas Fair, but also for your support with the other festive events such as the Presents for Parents. Many thanks again for all of your kind generosity in supporting our PTA.

**A Separate Thank You for Supporting our Other Fundraising Events**

Thank you very much to all our very generous parents and carers for your wonderful support during the last term. As you can see below, due to the many donations you have made, all of the funds raised will make a real difference to the school and local community.

- Year 6 Cake Sale: **£148.30**
  - Poppy Appeal: **£822.54**
  - Children in Need: **£320.85**
  - Festive Performances Donations = **£402.45**
- Collecting on behalf of Anim-Mates**, an animal rescue centre in Ash, which is the school's chosen charity for the year.

## Reminders and Notifications

### A Reminder from our Kent Health Team:

We would like to remind our parents and carers with children in Reception regarding the forthcoming Hearing and Vision screening for our R3 and R4 classes. These screenings help identify potential issues that could affect your child's speech, language development, social skills and learning.

If you wish your child to participate, **no action is required.** However, should you wish to opt out of one or both of the screenings, **please ensure that you complete the opt out form by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026, either by using the link below or by referring to your letter which was previously sent to you.**

[Kent School Health - hearing and vision screening opt out form | Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust](#)

If your child is already under the care of a hearing specialist, orthoptist service, or wears prescribed glasses, please opt out of the relevant screening(s).

If you have any issues with the opt out form, please contact the Kent Health Team direct on 0300 123 5205 (option two).

As soon as a date has been confirmed with the Kent Health Team for the screenings to take place at the school, we will let you know.



**Kent Community Health**  
NHS Foundation Trust

## Further School Appointments

**Congratulations to our Children on their Appointments of the following Ambassador Roles at the school:**

### Year 6 Friendship Ambassadors

Name	Class
Megan K	Hemstalls 1
Meadow S	Hemstalls 1
Jess L	Hemstalls 1
Eden D-L	Hemstalls 1
Elodie S	Hemstalls 1
Izzy R	Hemstalls 1
Annabel F	Hemstalls 2
Jimmy B	Hemstalls 2
Archie B	Hemstalls 2
Jakob N	Hemstalls 2
Leila A-P	Hemstalls 2
Felicity C	Hemstalls 2

### Reading Ambassadors

Name	Class
Lola W & Dexter M	Bramleyham 3
Poppy P & Grace B	Bramleyham 4
Cassie M & Ollie S	Bramleyham 1
Annabelle D & Harlyn V	Bramleyham 2
Alfred S & Ellie H	Hemstalls 3
Bill K-N & Thea B	Hemstalls 4
Charlie S & Jamie O	Hemstalls 1
Ethan R & Annabelle H	Hemstalls 2

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## Zero Tolerance Policy

Safe, Respectful, and Supportive Environment for Everyone

### Our Commitment

Staff are here to help you and will respond to all enquiries courteously and professionally.

### Respectful Conversations

- Speak calmly and courteously
- Listen respectfully, even when you disagree
- Use language that supports a safe, positive environment
- Treat staff and others with dignity at all times

### Unacceptable Behaviour

#### Abusive, Threatening, or Violent Behaviour

This includes racism, discrimination, intimidation, shouting, swearing, or any form of aggression.

#### Harassment or Bullying

Verbal, physical, or discriminatory harassment is not tolerated.

#### Hate-Motivated Behaviour

Abusive actions based on race, religion, gender, disability, or other personal characteristics are strictly prohibited.

We will take immediate action to protect staff and visitors.

#### Actions may include:

- Meetings may be stopped if conversations are not respectful
- Involving police
- Legal action
- Restricting access to services e.g the school site

### If You Have A Concern

If you are dissatisfied with the service you receive, please contact Mrs Cain, Executive Headteacher, for a copy of the Complaints Procedure.

We will work with you to resolve the issue respectfully and constructively.

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and respectful space



The school would like to draw all parents and carers' attention to our revised Zero Tolerance Policy, ahead of the start of the next term. Thank you.





On **Friday 7th November**, 6 boys and 6 girls from **Years 5 and 6** took part in the annual cross-country event at Cobham Hall. Our whole team ran amazingly well against 100 other runners across a very difficult 2.3km route. A special well done to **Ellie, H3** and **Nico, H4** for finishing 14th and 15th in the girls' race and **Charlie, H1** **Toby** and **Alfred, H3** for finishing 30th, 31st and 39th in the boys' race. We are very proud of you all!



On **Thursday 4th December**, our **Year 6 Sports Leaders** ran an 'Elf Fest' event for the whole school in the Roundwood Hall. Ten children per class were selected in **Years 1 to 5** to take part in the festive activities, which included events such as 'Decoration Dash' and 'Feed the Reindeer'. The morning was a success and was organised and delivered brilliantly by our Sports Leaders. It was a fun packed morning full of Christmas cheer! The Sports Leaders are looking forward to the next event in Term 3. Well done to everyone who took part and for showcasing super teamwork skills.



## New Ash Green Primary School: Key Sporting Achievements for Term 2 2025



On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December, our Years 5 & 6 Boys Team and Years 4, 5 and 6 Girls' Team played against Greenlands Primary School in the Dartford Schools League. Both teams played brilliantly.

The Boys' Team finished with an **outstanding score of 20-1** to New Ash Green. Goals were scored by **Jax, Oscar, Noah, Bobby, H2** and **Bill, H4**. Well done boys, what a fantastic achievement! The Boys Team will now move through to the next round of games after Christmas.

Our fantastic Girls' Team, also played against Greenlands. It was a fantastic game of football but unfortunately, we lost 2-0. The whole team showed great teamwork and determination. Well done girls!



### Well Done to Nico E, H4!

The school was delighted to hear that **Nico E, H4** has been retained for another season at the **Chelsea Under 10s Team**, which is part of their Girls' Emerging Talent Centre (ETC). Nico has been chosen to take part in a squad of only 15 players, so this is an amazing achievement. Well done Nico, we are all very proud of you and for the continued dedication you have shown to playing football at the highest level.



## Other Awards & Achievements at the School in Term 2



Many congratulations to **Toby K, H3** for being awarded "highly commended" for his entry into the Christmas Card Competition organised by the **Office of Tom Tugendhat MP**, Member of Parliament for Tonbridge, Edenbridge, and North Downs Villages. Mr Tugendhat came to visit the school on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December to personally present Toby with this award. Very well done Toby!



Well done to **George W, B3** for the brilliant drawing he created - as you can see, this was then chosen to be on the front cover of the Young Writers' Picture Book. George was also awarded a **£10 National Book Token** for him to use. George's contribution has also ensured that he will be entered into the Final where 5 winners will be chosen - we will keep you posted should he win! In the meantime, very well done George.



### Children in Need Winners:

Well done to the following children for taking part and winning the events below:

#### **Winner of Guess the Name of the Cake:**

- **Ollie S, B1.**

#### **Winners of Guess the Number of Spots on Pudsey:**

- **Nancy B, B2**
- **Isabelle R, H1**
- **Jack H, B2**
- **Faye W, B3**





## Supporting your Child's Anxiety

Would you like to:

- Increase your understanding of anxiety in children?
- Meet up with other parents and carers?
- Discuss your experiences of anxiety?
- Learn new ways to help your child manage their anxiety?

This course is for you!

**Where:** Virtual - Online using Zoom link

**Date:** Thursday 8 January 2026

**Time:** 12.30 – 14.30

To book a place please scan the QR code

Email [Sevenoaks@kent.gov.uk](mailto:Sevenoaks@kent.gov.uk) for more Information



We want you to enjoy learning with us. To help us provide the best possible experience for you, please let us know if you or your child have any disabilities or particular support needs.

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## Sound Circle

Specialist Teaching and Learning  
Hearing and Sensory Service

### What is Sound Circle?

Sound Circle is for primary school aged deaf children or learners with hearing loss/hearing impairment to meet others in a relaxed and friendly setting with games, activities and snacks provided.

### When is Sound Circle happening?

Our first meet-up is happening on  
Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026,  
1.00pm-2.30pm.  
Parking available on site or on the roads around school.

### Where is Sound Circle happening?

Brookfield Infant School,  
Swallow Road, Aylesford,  
ME20 6PY.

### How can I join?

Parents/ carers or school staff will need to provide transport and we just need you to complete the form via the QR code to confirm attendance.

Sound Circle group for Hearing Impaired learners

## Parents and Carers' Feedback:

**Feedback – Reading Stay & Learn**  
28/10/25

Very interesting session. Good to see how the child can follow their interests and reading styles.

A very informative session. Lots of food for thought. Thank you.

Very helpful morning.

Great chance to see the children's excitement of enjoying books to read and away from devices.

Very informative. Great session. Fantastic to spend time in the classroom.

Very interesting session. Was excellent to see what the school and class are doing regarding reading. Enjoyed very much.

Very good session with some very good tips.

Really helpful ideas to take the pressure off reading and remind us of the pleasure and bonding opportunity it is. Thank you.

Very helpful, will definitely get more involved in reading with my daughter.

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## KARATE

Children 6+, Teens and Adults

We practice traditional karate with a grading system, alongside competition (sport) karate. So whether you are looking for a bit of fun, self defence or competition, we will provide you with the quality and skills to excel.



## KICKBOXING

Children 6+, Teens and Adults

Kickboxing is a great way to keep fit, whilst learning key skills to defend yourself. Our enjoyable lessons combine pad work, fitness, light contact and point scoring sparring. We have a grading system implemented to keep you progressing.

## LITTLE NINJAS

Children ages 3-5

Little ninjas is a great introduction into martial arts. These lessons teach not only physical skills but also develop discipline from a young age. We have a 6 badge rewards system, this includes a combination of karate and kickboxing, strikes, punches, blocks, kicks and stances.



## BODY BLITZ

Ages 12 and over

Body Blitz is a group based fitness class designed for all abilities and fitness levels. Body Blitz is targeted at improving general fitness and weight loss with a focus on cardio and strength training. A range of training methods such as circuit training and high intensity interval training (HIIT) are incorporated to create an engaging and varied fitness class. Whether you are looking to keep fit, lose some weight, get stronger, increase your cardio or improve your general fitness, Body Blitz is the fitness class for you.



## West Hill Life Ltd



### After School Club

at New Ash Green Primary School

for **Holiday Club** information please see our website

After School Club includes

A healthy supper

Crafts

Movies

Board Games

Team Games

Badminton

Table Tennis

Homework

3.30pm-6pm

£21.00 per day

The clubs also offer a variety of both indoor and outdoor activities (weather permitting). Delivered by qualified accredited staff who are DBS checked, safeguarding and paediatric first aid trained.

If you are interested please follow the links below or head to our website to register



Booking & Registration Link:  
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Website: [westhilllifeld.co.uk](http://westhilllifeld.co.uk)



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### Our After School Club: West Hill Life

Please refer to the updated poster from our After School Club, **West Hill Life**, who has asked us to circulate this to our parents and carers ahead of the new term. Thank you.



## ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES - TERM 2 2025

<b>R3 - Reception Elmers</b>	<b>R4 - Reception The Sweet Peas</b>	<b>R1 - Year 1 The Colour Monsters</b>	<b>R2 - Year 1 The Astra Crew</b>	<b>R5 - Year 2 The Starfish</b>	<b>R6 - Year 2 The Turtles</b>
92.7%	<b>97.3%</b>	95.8%	96.6%	91.4%	92.8%

<b>B3 - Year 3 Glorious Gladiators</b>	<b>B4 - Year 3 Team Tutankhamun</b>	<b>B1 - Year 4 The Temple Trailblazers</b>	<b>B2 - Year 4 The Talented Toucans</b>
95.4%	95.1%	96.8%	90.6%

<b>H3 - Year 5 The Olympian Heroes</b>	<b>H4 - Year 5 The Groovy Greeks</b>	<b>H1 - Year 6 The Spitfires</b>	<b>H2 - Year 6 The Bletchely Park Codebreakers</b>
95%	93.9%	95.3%	94.1%

**Farewell and Good Luck  
to Mrs Flannagan,  
Teaching Assistant in  
Roundwood 5, Year 2**

Please join us in wishing  
Mrs Flannagan all the very  
best as she starts her new  
job in another school after  
the Christmas break.

Thank you, Mrs Flannagan,  
for all your support  
at the school.

From Term 3, we would like  
to welcome Mrs Baker to  
her new role as a Teaching  
Assistant within the  
Roundwood 5 class to  
support the team.

The teacher whose class achieved the highest attendance level  
for Term 2 is **Miss Colley, R4 Class - Reception**  
who will be given £50 to spend on new books for her classroom

### WELL DONE TO R4 CLASS!

### Diary Dates for Term 3: 2025/2026



Date	Time	Event
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	All Day	Inset Day (Staff Training Day) - <b>Children do not attend school</b>
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	All Day	Inset Day (Staff Training Day) - <b>Children do not attend school</b>
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	8:45am	<b>Term 3</b> - All children to return for the start of the new term
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	3:10pm	Foundation Workshop, Parents and Carers to Visit R3/R4 classrooms
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	10:00am	B2 Class Assembly - <b>B2 Parents and Carers are invited to attend</b>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	10:00am	B1 Class Assembly - <b>B1 Parents and Carers are invited to attend</b>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	3:30pm	Year 5 Cake Sale after school - further details to follow
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	10:00am	B3 Class Assembly - <b>B3 Parents and Carers are invited to attend</b>
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	10:00am	B4 Class Assembly - <b>B4 Parents and Carers are invited to attend</b>
Friday, 13 <sup>th</sup> February	All Day	Last Day of Term 3 - Non-Uniform Day, £1 to PTA Please, Thank you.

Further dates and reminders for the diary will be communicated nearer the time

Wishing all of our school community a very Happy Christmas!





# New Ash Green Primary School

## Academic Term Dates 2025-2026



### AUTUMN TERM 2025

<b>INSET DAYS</b>	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September and Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September
<b>Term 1</b>	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September - Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>HALF TERM</b>	<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Term 2</b>	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October - Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>CHRISTMAS BREAK</b>	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December - Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January

### SPRING TERM 2026

<b>INSET DAYS</b>	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>Term 3</b>	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January - Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>HALF TERM</b>	<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>
<b>Term 4</b>	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February - Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April
<b>Bank Holidays</b>	Good Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April and Easter Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>EASTER BREAK</b>	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> April - Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April

### SUMMER TERM 2026

<b>Term 5</b>	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April - Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May
<b>Bank Holidays</b>	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May and Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>HALF TERM</b>	<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May</b>
<b>INSET DAY</b>	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June
<b>Term 6</b>	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June - Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July

