



The Ashbeach News

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Ashbeach School

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It may not feel like it, but the spring term is upon us. The children returned back well after Christmas and soon settled back into their learning routines.

Each class have begun their new topics which they children are enjoying already. Key stage two enjoyed their Vikings day in school. They were able to be immersed in the topic all day and enjoyed a variety of activities and explored wonderful artifacts. These types of experiences are so valuable for making their learning memorable.



Curriculum maps

Please see email for termly curriculum map to find out what your child is learning about this term. Talking about the topics at home or even sharing books or days out linked to their topics really enables the children to develop their knowledge and vocabulary around the topic.

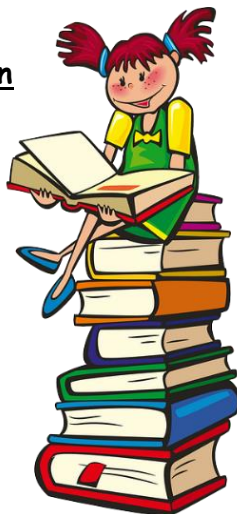
The reading room

Using some of the money raised at Christmas, we have converted one of the old changing rooms into a lunchtime 'reading room'. This has given the children another place that they can share and talk about books with friends and read for pleasure. This was paid for with money raised from the Christmas Fayre!



Key Stage One open afternoon

Penguin and Dolphin class teachers would like to invite parents in for the afternoon to enjoy some reading based activities with your child. We would like to welcome you in school on Wednesday 8th February from 2pm onwards.



We're teaching every child to read with Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised

A complete SSP validated by the Department for Education



Little Wandle At Home

One of our school priorities is to embed the use of Little Wandle phonics. We are already seeing some great success with this scheme. This scheme requires regular repetition and revision of sounds the children have learned. Evidence shows that children who practice at home and read regularly make accelerated progress. Little Wandle offer some home resources to help develop your child's reading skills. These are available from Amazon for £6.99. There are a few to choose from. Your child's teacher will be happy to tell you what is best for your child.



ESafety

We try to ensure the children are equipped with the skills to keep them safe online. In school, esafety is taught throughout the year and our internet provider filters potentially harmful material. We know that it can be hard for parents to help keep their children safe online; it is an everchanging, complex world which entices children of increasingly young ages.



These sites can help you to support your child to enjoy all of the benefits the internet has to offer but in a safe way.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

Parents, welcome to:

Schoolgateway

The easy way to pay online for dinners and other school items.



Download the app  Android and iPhone

or visit the website:
www.schoolgateway.com

Activate your account today!

Ashbeach promotes this app to all parents as it is the easiest way to pay online for school dinners, trips and events. Contact the office if you need any help!

Upcoming dates:

Penguins and Dolphins open afternoon:
Wednesday 8th February 2pm onwards

Year 6 SATS information evening:
Thursday 9th February 6.00 - 6.45pm

Parents evenings: Tuesday 21st March & Thursday 23rd March

Friends of Ashbeach dates:

3rd Feb - "Love Yourself", non-uniform day

10th Feb - cake & donut sale

23rd Feb - AGM, all parents welcome

14th & 15th Mar - selling Mothers Day gifts

19th Mar - Foa selling refreshments at the Ladies in school morning



School opening hours

The school gates open at 8.40am in the morning to enable lessons to start at 8.45am. There are a number of children who are arriving between 8.45 and 9am. This means that each day they are missing the learning activities which the teacher sets at this time. This is an essential time for times table practice, maths skills, handwriting and phonics. Persistent lateness means your child misses over an hour of these lessons each week.

We will always welcome your children with a smile as we appreciate they sometimes find coming to school difficult. If possible, please could you adjust your morning routines where needed to enable them to arrive in school ready to start the day.

We really appreciate your co-operation with this.



Centre 33 is an organisation that provides a range of free and confidential services for all young carers aged up to 18 who live in Cambridgeshire who are struggling with their well-being. We are keen to promote the support they offer and recognise that some of our young people may be young carers for parents or siblings. Ms Hawke is keen to support these children and make referrals where appropriate but recognises the sensitive nature of this work. If you feel your child or young person may be a young carer, please let us know so that we can signpost them for support and make referrals where appropriate. This information will be kept confidential and only shared with other staff as appropriate.



Thank you for your support!
Mrs D Smith and the Ashbeach team

Cambridgeshire County Council

Catch coughs & sneezes in tissue

Bin used tissues

Wash hands regularly

Stay home if unwell

Art Adventure Club

Family art club aimed at 6-11 year olds and their adults
Fortnightly on term-time Saturdays, 2pm - 3:30pm

Adventure together through the enchanted forest, exploring and experimenting with different art materials as you go...

Term 1: Enchanted Forrest
 Session 1, 21st Jan: Make a magic arrow to guide you
 Session 2, 4th Feb: Make toadstools and images of forest life
 Session 3, 25th Feb: Collage and print tree people
 Session 4, 11th Mar: Make a green man face out of clay and decorate with forest-inspired materials
 Session 5, 25th Mar: What treasure will you find in the tower at the heart of the forest?

One family per table - £12.00 for two at a table, £16.50 for three at a table, £20.00 for four at a table - prices per session, tickets numbers include adults (there must be at least one adult per table) - adults join in and create their own
 Book all five sessions in the same transaction by 20th January and get 20% off (one session free!) - use discount code: ACT122:WT

Limited places - booking essential
<https://the-norris-museum.arttickets.org.uk/>

Come and have a go!



norrismuseum.org.uk
01480 497314
41 The Broadway, St Ives PE27 5BX





WEEK ONE

Served Week Commencing: * 2022: 31 October, 21 November, 12 December * 2023: 5 January, 23 January, 20 February, 13 March

MONDAY

BBQ Dusted Chicken with Rice
Italian Pasta Bake (Ve) with Crusty Bread

CHILLED OPTION:
Cheese Baguette (V)
Jacket Potato with various toppings

TUESDAY

Mediterranean Roll with Potato Wedges (Ve)
Macaroni Cheese (V) with Garlic Bread

CHILLED OPTION:
Egg Roll (V)
Jacket Potato with various toppings

WEDNESDAY

Roast Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing
Sausages in Yorkshire Pudding (V) with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:
Chicken Mayo Wrap
Jacket Potato with various toppings

THURSDAY

Cottage Pie
Quorn Burger in a Bun (V) with Diced Potatoes

CHILLED OPTION:
Ham Roll
Jacket Potato with various toppings

FRIDAY

Battered Fish
Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) with Oven Chips or Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:
Tuna Sandwich
Jacket Potato with various toppings

PUPILS' CHOICE EXTRA MENU

WINTER/
SPRING
2022/23

WEEK TWO

Served Week Commencing: * 2022: 7 November, 28 November, 19 December * 2023: 9 January, 30 January, 27 February, 20 March

MONDAY

Pork Sausages in Gravy with Creamed Potatoes
Cheese & Veg Pasties with Diced Potatoes (V)

CHILLED OPTION:
Tuna Sandwich
Jacket Potato with various toppings

TUESDAY

Chicken Pie with Herby Potatoes
Mild Vegetable Curry (Ve) with Rice

CHILLED OPTION:
Ham Roll
Jacket Potato with various toppings

WEDNESDAY

Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding
Lentil Roast (V) with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:
Chicken Mayo Wrap
Jacket Potato with various toppings

THURSDAY

Quorn Hot Dog (V)
Roasted Vegetable Lasagne (V) with Garlic Bread with Potato Wedges or Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:
Cheese Baguette (V)
Jacket Potato with various toppings

FRIDAY

Crispy Coated Salmon
Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) with Oven Chips or Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:
Egg Roll (V)
Jacket Potato with various toppings

WEEK THREE

Served Week Commencing: * 2022: 14 November, 5 December * 2023: 16 January, 6 February, 6 March, 27 March

MONDAY

Vegballs in Homemade Tomato Sauce (Ve) with Pasta
Cheese Pinwheel (V) with Diced Potatoes

CHILLED OPTION:
Egg Roll (V)
Jacket Potato with various toppings

TUESDAY

Mild Chicken Curry with Rice
Omelette, Grilled Tomatoes and Baked Beans (V) with Potato Wedges

CHILLED OPTION:
Ham Roll
Jacket Potato with various toppings

WEDNESDAY

Roast Pork with Sage and Onion Stuffing
Tomato Bolognese (Ve) with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:
Cheese Baguette (V)
Jacket Potato with various toppings

THURSDAY

Beef Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges
Cheese, Potato and Broccoli Bake (V)

CHILLED OPTION:
Chicken Mayo Wrap
Jacket Potato with various toppings

FRIDAY

Fish Fillet Fingers
Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) with Oven Chips or Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:
Tuna Sandwich
Jacket Potato with various toppings

Freshly baked bread, seasonal vegetables and bowl salads are available daily * Gravy and Custard are always available separately when on the menu * All our milk is organic - fresh from the dairy (V) = Vegetarian (Ve) = Vegan

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Diary Dates

2023

- 03 Feb "Love Yourself" non-uniform day
- 08 Feb KS1 Open Afternoon 2pm onwards
- 09 Feb Koala Class start swimming
- 09 Feb SAT's Parents Meeting 6.00pm
- 10 Feb FOA Cake/Donut sale
- 13 - 17 Feb February Half Term
- 20 Feb Spring Term continues
- 23 Feb FOA AGM 6.30pm
- 24 Feb Whole School Theatre Show
- 02 Mar World Book Day
- 14/15 Mar Mother Day gifts stall
- 17 Mar Ladies in School & Red Nose Day
- 21 Mar Yr R/6 Height & Weight Checks
Parent Evening 3.30 - 6pm
- 23 Mar Parent Evening 4.30 - 7pm
- 27 - 31 Mar FOA Colouring Competition & Easter 100

- 03 - 14 Apr Easter Holidays
- 17 Apr Teacher Training Day
- 18 Apr Start of Summer Term
- 01 May Bank Holiday
- 08 May Extra Bank Holiday for King Charles III Coronation
- 29 - 02 Jun May Half Term
- 05 Jun Summer Term continues
- 16 Jun Gents in School
- 10 - 13 Jul Yr5 Bikeability
- 19 Jul Last Day of Term



2023/2024 academic year

	Starts	Ends
Autumn term begins	Monday 4 th September 2023	Friday 20 th October 2023
Autumn half term	Monday 23 rd October 2023	Friday 27 th October 2023
Autumn term continues	Tuesday 31 st October 2023	Wednesday 20 th December 2023
Christmas holiday	Thursday 21 st December 2023	Wednesday 3 rd January 2024
Spring term begins	Friday 5 th January 2024	Friday 16 th February 2024
Spring half term	Monday 19 th February 2024	Friday 23 rd February 2024
Spring term continues	Tuesday 27 th February 2024	Thursday 28 th March 2024
Easter holiday	Friday 29 th March 2024	Friday 12 th April 2024
Summer term begins	Wednesday 16 th April 2024	Friday 24 th May 2024
Summer half term	Monday 27 th May 2024	Friday 31 st May 2024
Summer term continues	Monday 3 rd June 2024	Monday 22 nd July 2024
Summer holiday	Tuesday 23 rd July 2024	2024/25 dates to be confirmed

Professional Days

- Friday 1st September 2023
- Monday 30th October 2023
- Thursday 4th January 2024
- Monday 26th February 2024
- Monday 6th May 2024 B/H
- Monday 15th April 2024

