



Ashton CofE Primary School Newsletter

What's on this week 19th Sept 2016

Mon: Piano Lessons am. PE with Alex Dunn pm.

Tues:

Weds: Strings Lessons.

Thurs: Brass Lessons.

Fri: Whole School Celebration Assembly. PE with Back of the Net am.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

28th September - Junior trip to Towcester Museum. Details to follow.

10th November - ASPA meeting at 8.00pm in the school hall



Stars of the Week

Well done to Rihanna and Conway in the Juniors for achieving Star of the Week. Well done to Lucas and Alfie P for achieving Star of the Week in the Infants. Well done to Harry for work of the week.

Ladies Christmas Night

Please sign up to the Christmas night which is on the notice board outside the office as soon as possible because the deposit is due quite early. Many thanks

Junior News

The Romans

The Juniors are enjoying their Roman topic. We were really impressed with all the Roman facts they found out for last week's homework! This week's homework is to find out about and produce a poster on Roman Numerals. Next week, I will set an extended homework project on the Romans, where they choose an aspect of Roman life to study in detail (in pairs or individually) and then present their information to the class. The information sheet will be sent out next week. Our trip is booked for Wednesday 28th September to Towcester museum. It will be a morning at the museum then, weather permitting, we will have a picnic lunch and go on a history walk. So please do not order school lunches on that day. Strings lessons for juniors will be rescheduled.

Homework Club

Mrs Moffat will be doing a homework club on Thursday lunchtimes. This is not intended to be a replacement for doing homework at home, but for any children who need some help with their homework, to come along and get some assistance. Also, if children need to use the school books for research, they can do so, or ask Mrs Moffat to photocopy relevant pages.

Spellings

Children are set spellings to learn at home on a Wednesday (after the spelling lesson where they have been introduced to the words) and are retested the following Wednesday. Each child has spellings assigned for their year group and within the year group there are different spelling groups. The extension each week is for the children to find more words with the particular spelling pattern and they can extend themselves to find some challenging ones. They are awarded with a star and a yippee if they get their spellings right, plus a bonus star if they have extended themselves to find some more words from their pattern. Please see either Mrs Shadforth or Mrs Potter if you need any clarification.

Netball Club

I will be running a High 5 netball club for the Juniors on Wednesdays after school (3.15-4.15) until half term. All Juniors should have received a letter about this. Please return the slip to school asap so I know how many to expect. I do need them to commit to the full 5 weeks so that we can build on skills learnt each week, and so that all children get a chance to be in all the positions. There will be a High 5 tournament with local schools at some point, so our team will be chosen from those who attend the training. Thanks. Diane Shadforth

ASPA NEWS

Thank you to those who came to the ASPA meeting last night. All new members are welcome to our next meeting on Thursday 10th November, 8pm in the school hall.

For information regarding ASPA events, please look at the noticeboard just outside the gate at the top of the path and also inside the school on the board outside the office.

Please can anyone else help to clear up after Bonfire Night on Sunday 6th November in the morning? If you can, please sign up.

There is a Mum's Night Out planned, so please see the notice board inside by the office if you would to sign up.

Many thanks

ASPA

Dear Infant Parents,

Thank you for sending your children to school looking so smart, please could you make sure all items of clothing, particularly cardigans and jumpers are clearly labelled.

Our topic this half term is 'All about me' and the children have already produced some lovely work on this topic. Today the children will come home with their homework books (learning logs). For any new parent that doesn't know we send home a set of homework to be done over a half term practicing key literacy and maths skills in a learning log. We strongly suggest at least one piece of the log is completed each week, however we understand that the children are also busy with out of school activities which is why we give the homework over a half term. Your child is also expected to read daily, practice their sound book (reception only - starts on Wednesday) practice their spellings/ word cards weekly and practice key skills on active learn and Mathletics, so they have quite a lot to do.

Yippees are given for reading 4 times in a week, this includes adults sharing books with reception children. In addition to this a star will be given each week for reading 5 or more times a week.

Thank you to the reception parents who allowed me to visit their children at home, I really enjoyed playing and finding out lots about your lovely children.

Mrs Gentry.

Finally, can we remind you that we do have fruit at playtime in the Infants, however if your child wishes to have a different snack it must be healthy (in accordance with our food policy) and contain no nuts, as we have children with nut allergies.

Many thanks for your continued support.

The Infant team.

From Mrs Whitlock

It has been a great week, with lots of fantastic work going on in all classes, and I know a good time was had by all at Games night, so thank you to parents and staff who assisted with this.

Clubs

There are some signup sheets for clubs available outside the office, and clubs will start next week. Please can you let the adult running the club know if your child cannot attend for any reason.

Reading rewards

A reminder that we reward children in assembly with yippees for reading at least 4 times in a week on different days. Above and beyond this, children will receive 1 additional star in class per week.

Breaktime snacks

I hope you all received the letter about breaktime snacks that we sent out last week and then there is an updated food in school's policy on the website with more information. If you need a paper copy of either, please ask for a copy. The website is

www.ashtonprimary.co.uk

I hope you have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Whitlock

Book Request from Miss Smith

Has anybody got the book "Whatever Next?" by Jill Murphy?

If so, please could Miss Smith borrow it for a unit of work in Literacy? I promise to take good care of it!