



Ashton CofE Primary School Newsletter

What's on this week 9th May 2016

Mon: **SATS**. Piano Lessons (Starting later due to SATS)

Tues: **SATS**.

Weds: Strings Lessons. **SATS**. Juniors out at Salcey Forest pm

Thurs: **SATS. BRASS LESSON. PLEASE DO NOT FORGET YOUR INSTRUMENTS JUNIORS**

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

17th May - Whole School Photo pm. ASPA Games and Film Night

25th May - ASPA meeting at the pub 8.00pm.

30th May - Half Term Week

1st July - Sports Mufti Day and Sports Day

8th July - Sports Day Reserve

12th July - Moving Up Morning

14th July - School Play

15th July- Reports Out

18th July - Parents Drop in following reports

19th July- Whole School Trip

20th July - Leavers assembly and school closes for the summer holidays



Stars of the Week & Work of the Week



Well done to Isabella and Calum in the Juniors for achieving Star of the Week. Well done to Harry, Isla and Liam for achieving Star of the Week in the Infants. Well done to Liam for work of the week.

Year 6 SATS

Year 6 children start their National Tests on Monday next week, and they have tests every morning, with the exception of Friday when it will all be over. We aim to start the tests after a short assembly, and so please can I request all calls to the office or visits are kept until lunchtime, unless it is an emergency. If your child is later to school than 9:10am, please can they enter the school via the infant classroom up the side path, and not through the hall.

Many thanks for your co-operation with this.

CLUB LIST

Tuesday: Beginners guitar club lunchtime. Cooking Club 3.30pm-4.20pm

Thursday: Infants Sports club 3.15pm-4.15pm

Friday: Advanced guitar club lunchtime

Jumpers/Coats

Contrary to the article about sun cream. Please can parents and carers just keep an eye on the weather for children to have the appropriate clothing at school? Some children came to school his week without coats or jumpers and were so cold they borrowed other children's coats and jumpers to keep warm.

School Baseball Caps and Sun Cream

We hope now that we are moving towards warmer days we need to remind parents and carers that children will need to have sunscreen and caps in school. School logo'd baseball caps are available from the school office for £5.00. Please name any sun cream. There is usually a basket to put sun cream in for the Infants. Juniors should keep theirs in their bag. Due to school regulations we regret that we are unable to actually apply sun cream to the children so if they are unable to do it themselves we suggest it is applied before they come to school. Thank you.

Socks

We are still noticing a few children wearing striped or coloured socks. They have been reminded to wear black, grey or white. Please could parents check that they have the correct socks on before they come to school. Thank you.

Lip sols and Vaseline. Please can children bringing them in use clear lip salve only as many are starting to look like lipstick which is not allowable. Many thanks.

Junior Class- Salcey Forest

On **Wednesday**, the Junior class will be spending the afternoon in Salcey forest. We shall be looking for evidence of plant and animal life cycles. We will be leaving after the children have had their strings lesson (approx. 1pm). We will return to school by 3.15pm.

The children need to bring **joggers/tracksuit bottoms** and **old walking boots** to change into. We will be doing quite a bit of might not be so comfortable to wear (or climb with) but if it to be muddy, then do send with wellies if you prefer. They also **waterproof coat** as we will still be going if it is drizzly and if their **water bottle**, they might like to take a **small rucksack/** which to carry them.

Thanks. Diane Shadforth



trainers or walking so wellies looks like it's going need a **light** they want to take **drawstring bag** in



Life cycles

Caterpillars: The caterpillars are now in their pupa stage and the chrysalises were transferred to their net habitat yesterday. Thank you to Ruby and Scarlet for looking after them over the May Day weekend. They took a time-lapse video and the school children were able to watch the amazing transformation from a caterpillar to a chrysalis! We now await the metamorphosis from the chrysalis to the butterfly.

Eggs: On Monday Helen Hall and Clare Judkins came into school to "candle" the eggs to identify which ones were fertile. They were able to tell which eggs contained chicken embryos and we are happy to say that 4 out of the 6 eggs were fertile. The Juniors then calculated that so far we had a 2/3 or 66.6% success rate!



Junior Art

Please could parents and carers for an art lesson not next Monday but the 16th May bring in some netting that oranges or satsuma are packed in. Many thanks Miss Lydon.

Roade Day Nursery and Preschool at EWS

Roade Day Nursery are thrilled to announce that we have now been granted Planning Permission. Building work will commence mid-February aiming to be open mid-April. Please visit our website at www.roadedaynursery.co.uk to register your interest under admissions. Thank you.

After School care In Large Homely Environment

Local Registered Child minder, based in Hartwell, collecting daily from Ashton Primary School. Come and visit us, you and your children will be most welcome!
Call Teresa on 07985 168443 for details or speak to Ginny who knows me well!

From Mrs Whitlock

Testing across the school

Children in other year groups will be completing assessments in the next few weeks also. These are nothing for children to worry about, and for the younger children will seem like part of their

everyday lessons. The Juniors in Years 3-5 will sit more formal tests before May half term.

Art project

The children will be working with an art teacher at Nicholas Hawksmoor Primary School, in their art studio, to produce a new clay mural to be displayed outside on the front wall of the school. More details will follow in the next two weeks, but it sounds like a fun experience for all the children to take part in.

Diary dates

Please make note of the diary dates at the beginning of the newsletter, we are trying to make sure you have the dates well in advance for the rest of this term. We will advise of any changes as and when they occur.

Have a lovely weekend. I am off for a 50 mile bike ride on Sunday, in preparation for an event I am taking part in in July. I have a place in Ride London, which is 100 miles around London and Surrey. It's the cycling equivalent of the London Marathon, which despite the rumours, I did not run the other weekend! Maybe next year!

Mrs Whitlock

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On Wednesday 11th May the Junior class will be spending the afternoon in Salcey forest. We shall be looking for evidence of plant and animal life cycles. We will be leaving at 12.30 after lunch so that we can eat lunch at school, but still have time to go on the play area there. We will return to school by 3.15. The children need to bring joggers/tracksuit bottoms and old trainers or walking boots to change into. We will be doing quite a bit of walking so wellies might not be so comfortable to wear (or climb with) but if it looks like it's going to be muddy, then do send with wellies if you prefer. They also need a waterproof coat as we will still be going if it is drizzly!

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