



ASHCROFT INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

6th October 2023

Attendance

Whole school attendance for the week was 96.2%. A huge well done to Squirrel class who achieved 100% attendance. They will look after Attendance Ted until next Friday.

Class of the Week

Well done to Hedgehog class who had the most raffle tickets this week! They will have some extra playtime and will keep the Class of the Week trophy until next Friday.

Summer reading challenge WINNERS!!!!

We have been notified today by Tamworth Library that Ashcroft Infants had the highest percentage of children take part in the Tamworth Summer reading challenge. With a massive 26% of our school taking part in the challenge, we came first out of all Tamworth schools. This is an amazing achievement and shows how committed our school community is to reading. Thank you for your support. It makes all the difference. We will be presented with our trophy by the library in the coming weeks. Well done to everyone who took part.



Autumn term Parents Evening

Parents evening will be held Wednesday 25th of October between 1.30pm and 6pm. Mrs Brown will also have appointments available on Tuesday 24th October in the morning. Sign-up sheets will be available outside the school office from 7.45am on Monday 9th October.

Christmas cards.

The children have been working hard on Christmas card designs. These will be coming home to you next week. If you wish to order anything, please return to school your child's art work, the completed order form and full payment in cash/cheque before Tuesday 24th October. **Please remember we cannot process the order without your child's art work attached.**

HEADTEACHER: Mrs Jayne Fellows

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER: Mrs Eluned Lane

Free School meals.

Please check if you are eligible for pupil premium. Some pupils are entitled to pupil premium funding which is extra funding that the school receives to support learning. Pupils in receipt of this are entitled to Free school meals.

(Government scheme entitles children from reception to Year 2 to have a free school dinner but from Year 3 this is charged) To check your eligibility, you can apply online at <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Harvest activity morning.

Parents are invited into school **between 9.15am and 10.15am on Wednesday 18th October** for our Harvest activity morning. We will be limited for space so only **one parent** per family please. Parents can visit children in their classroom for harvest craft and activities. If you have more than one child in school, feel free to move between classrooms and collect your children so that you can be together. We are looking forward to seeing you all in school.

Harvest donations.

We will be collecting donations for Tamworth Foodbanks this year. Please bring in any donations into school between the 16^h and 19th of October. Please see details of items that they urgently need. Many thanks for your support.

| URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS (W/C 25.09.2023) |
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| TINNED FRUIT |
| TOILETRIES - SHAMPOO/CONDITIONER/DEODORANT/SHOWER GEL |
| SMALL BOTTLES OF SQUASH |
| TINNED VEGETABLES - CARROTS/MUSHROOMS/SWEETCORN/PEAS |
| TINNED FISH |
| TINNED MEAT - STEW, CURRY, CHILLI, HOT DOGS, CHICKEN |
| SMALL JARS OF COFFEE |
| 10/12 MONTH+ BABY FOOD |

| WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF |
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| BEANS |
| TOMATOES |
| TEA BAGS |
| SIZE 2 AND 4 NAPPIES |
| PLEASE NO BABY FORMULA |

School Lunches

Next week's meal choices, in addition to ham, tuna or cheese sandwiches:

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| Monday (Meat free Mondays) | Mains: Cheese and Tomato Pizza OR Veggie Hotdog Light Bites: Tomato or Basil pasta OR Selection of wraps Pudding: Flapjack |
| Tuesday | Mains: Chicken burger served in a bun OR Quorn Fillet parmigiana Light Bites: Jacket potato with a choice of toppings OR Selection of sandwiches Pudding: Chocolate Sponge. |
| Wednesday | Mains: Gammon with gravy OR Cheese and Onion Pinwheels Light Bites: Tomato and Basil Pasta OR Selection of filled rolls Pudding: Raspberry jelly. |
| Thursday | Mains: Meatballs in tomato sauce OR Veggie Katsu Curry. Light Bites: Jacket potato with a choice of toppings OR Selection of wraps Pudding: Vanilla Shortbread |

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| Friday | Mains: Fish Fingers OR Quorn Nuggets Light Bites: Tomato and Basil Pasta OR Selection of sandwiches Pudding: Ice Cream |
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All meals served with a drink and a selection of vegetables and salad

Dates for your diary

| October 2023 | |
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| Wednesday 18 th October | Harvest Craft morning – 9.15 – 10.15. One parent per family |
| Thursday 19 th October | School closed for voting |
| Tuesday 24 th October | Last day for Christmas card orders |
| Wednesday 25 th October | Parents Evening – 1.30pm – 6pm |
| Friday 27 th October | Break up for half term holiday |
| November 2023 | |
| Monday 6 th November | Children return to school |
| Friday 17 th November | Children in Need – more information will follow |
| December 2023 | |
| Wednesday 6 th December (am) | KS1 Christmas Performance (Yr1&2) Details to follow |
| Thursday 7 th December (am) | KS1 Christmas Performance (Yr1&2) Details to follow |
| Tuesday 12 th December | EYFS Christmas Stay and Play (Nur & Rec) Details for follow |