



Ashurst CE Aided Primary School
Home-School Partnership - Newsletter
AUTUMN TERM 2017
30th October



Welcome back to school!

We hope you all enjoyed the Autumn break, after a most enjoyable first half of term which included: three different SPONSORED WALKS, the FAPS BARN DANCE (with an amazing £931 raised!), HARVEST FESTIVAL, BUMBLES' GARDEN, CHILPAR OF INDIA ASSEMBLY, CHESTNUT TREE CHILDREN'S HOSPICE ASSEMBLY, Y5 RESIDENTIAL WEEK TO SWANAGE, Y3&4 VISIT TO FISHBOURNE, Y6 MATHS CHALLENGE WEEK, LANCING and HENFIELD FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS and the 'OPEN AFTERNOON' from which parent comments can now be found on the school's website.

SPONSORED WALKS & CHARITY FUND RAISING SEPTEMBER 2017

To date, the sums raised by just over half of our families, stand at
FS/KS1: MEXICAN EARTHQUAKE, RED CROSS APPEAL: £219.00
Y3&4: COMPASSION: £186.00 and SUSSEX AIR AMBULANCE: £186.00
Y5&6: DOGS TRUST: £111.00 and CANCER RESEARCH UK: £ 111.00.

The *total* amount to date is £813.00 - a school record for which a huge THANK YOU to all who have given so generously. Should you still have any outstanding monies, please see Mrs Ixer and we shall announce the final sums collected before Christmas.

We trust everyone is now ready for the CHRISTMAS TERM.....especially pupils in Y5&6 who are playing the leading roles in this year's CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION of 'PUSS IN BOOTS'.

PARENT CONSULTATION Afternoon/Evening

Y3-Y6 teachers look forward to meeting parents on 31ST OCTOBER, as the second formal opportunity this term to review pupils' individual progress.

YR PARENTS' CONSULTATION MORNING

Mrs Pockett looks forward to meeting respective parents on **FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER** to discuss individual pupil progress this term. Mrs Ixer has already contacted parents to arrange individual appointment times.

Y2 and Y6 SAT PRESENTATION EVENINGS THIS TERM - IN PREPARATION FOR MAY/JUNE 2018

Parents of pupils in Y2 and Y6 are to be invited to a special **SAT EVENING** with Mrs Smith and myself, very shortly this term.

SWIMMING LESSONS Y3-Y6

As part of the school's continuing partnership with The Towers Convent School, Upper Beeding, pupils from Y3-6 will have swimming lessons from this half term - respective parents to be informed this week.

PE & GAMES lessons AT DALESDOWN begin from this second half of term, unless weather conditions permit us continuing to use the school field.

PHOTOGRAPHS

The school photographer will be with us on **WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER**, to take individual and family photographs, for receipt by the beginning of December.

Y5&Y6 COOKERY DAY at Shoreham College is on **FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER**. All will require a packed lunch AND TWO LARGE TINS to bring home the delicious food made.

The school is taking part in the annual **BBC 'CHILDREN IN NEED' APPEAL**, once again, with ALL PUPILS wishing to take part, **PAYING A £1.00** for '**NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY**' on **FRIDAY 17th November**.

Y6 SWANAGE RESIDENTIAL VISIT JUNE 2018

Respective parents are to be invited to a '**SWANAGE VISIT JUNE 2018 PRESENTATION**' in school from 3.00 - 3.30pm in January 2018. The visit has been booked from 25th June -29th June.

AFTER SCHOOL CHESS & FOOTBALL CLUBS DATES -

Please see attached Dates for the Term.

The school is awaiting news of its games in **ROUND ONE** of the **COUNTY CHESS COMPETITION 2017-2018**. Team members and respective families will be informed in due course.

INSET DAY (School Closure)

The school will be closed for **JOINT STEYNING LOCALITY OF SCHOOLS INSET DAY ON 'PUPILS' SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING'** training course on **FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER**.

For news of FAMILY SERVICES at ST JAMES' ASHURST this half term, including CHRISTINGLE, please see the 'Dates for the Term'.

Y3/4 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE for SENIOR RESIDENTS of ASHURST

Once again, we will be holding our own special '**REMEMBRANCE SERVICE**' for pupils and staff in school at **10.30 on THURSDAY 9th November**. Pupils who are members of clubs such as: **Cubs, Venture Scouts, Beavers and Rainbows** may choose to wear their respective *outfits* for the day.

OPEN AFTERNOON (and Christmas Sale for charity) Monday 11th December from 2.15 - 4.00.

CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION 2017 - 'PUSS IN BOOTS'.

Applications for tickets will be sent home to parents shortly.

ALL FS, KS1 & KS2 pupils will be needed for the MATINEE performances.

All KS2 ONLY, for the EVENING performances.

- **DRESS REHEARSAL/MATINEE: FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER** - for those with toddlers.
- **EVENING PERFORMANCE: MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER-** without accompanying younger children, please.
- **EVENING PERFORMANCE: TUES 5TH DECEMBER-** without accompanying younger children, please.

- **MATINEE: WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER** - for those with toddlers.

DETAILS of the school's traditional *CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR ALL PUPILS* will be available AFTER THE CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION.

'THE CHRISTMAS STORY' - enacted by lay preacher **MRS CROFT** - **WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2017**

'CHRISTINGLE' **SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2017** at **ST JAMES CHURCH.**

'INFANT NATIVITY' 9.15 in school **THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2017**

As always, please contact the school straightaway if you have any concerns regarding your child's progress, well-being and/or safety.

All correspondence addressed to 'Mrs Williams' and/or 'The Headteacher' is opened personally and in confidence, and responded to similarly, as appropriate.

We wish everyone a happy second half of the Autumn term 2017.

Kindest regards,

Mrs J A Williams, Headteacher.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

**REMINDER CONCERNING
PUPILS' SAFETY**

The school strongly encourages
ALL PARENTS, CARERS
AND
THOSE *DEPOSITING & COLLECTING* PUPILS
DAILY BY CAR

**TO USE THE RECREATION GROUND CAR PARK AND
THE GATE TO THE JUNIOR PLAYGROUND.
(THE ONE OUTSIDE Y5&Y6 CLASSROOM)**

*This advice follows consultation over time with various professional
bodies, including the Police.*

AND

**That, as far as possible, DOGS are not brought into and
onto the playground**

Many thanks, your support in these matters is much appreciated.
Mrs Williams November 2017

Newsletters are available on the school's website.
FOR FAPS' MEETINGS, PLEASE SEE THE PARENTS' NOTICEBOARD.

ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL

DATES FOR SECOND HALF AUTUMN TERM 2017

INSET DAY: FRIDAY 3rd NOVEMBER

Family Church Services

Family Church Service 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30 am.
Please see St. James' Church websites for further information on service dates.

Parents Consultation Afternoon/Evening	31 st October
INSET DAY	3 rd November
Y5/Y6 Athletics Team SGS	6 th November
Y3/Y4 Remembrance Day Assembly for invited guests in school. 10:30am	9 th November
Y2/Y6 SATS evening for Parents 5:30 - 7pm	9 th November
Y5/Y6 Cookery, Shoreham College	10 th November
Remembrance Day Church Service, St James' Church	12 th November
YR Parents ELG Reporting <i>Mrs Ixer has contacted respective parents</i>	17 th November
BBC Children in Need - Non-school uniform Day	17 th November
Flu Vaccination In-Schools Programme	24 th November
Y4 Tag Rugby Team SGS	28 th November
Full Governing Body Meeting 6.30pm	28 th November
Pupils Individual Photographs	29 th November
Christmas Production	Whole School: Matinees 1st & 6 th December Juniors Only: Eves. 4 th & 5 th December

Christingle Service - St. James's Church - Sunday	10 th December
Open Afternoon & Y5/Y6 Christmas Fundraising 2:15-4pm	11 th December
Christmas Party	12 th December
Christmas Story Mrs Croft in school for pupils	13 th December
Reception Nativity Play - for all parents 9:15am	14 th December
End of Term	20 th December
FAPS 'The Voice of Christmas' Concert St.Andrew's Church, Steyning	21 st December

ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2017 - 2018

Autumn Term 2017

4th September - 20th December 2017

Half Term: 23rd October - 27th October 2017

Spring Term 2018

4th January - 29th March 2018

Half Term: 12th February - 16th February 2018

Summer Term 2018

16th April - 26th July 2018

Half Term: 28th May - 1st June 2018

INSET DAYS

AUTUMN TERM 2017

Friday 13th October & Friday 3rd November

SPRING TERM 2018

Monday 19th March 2018

SUMMER TERM 2018

Thursday 5th & Friday 6th July 2018



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SECOND HALF - AUTUMN TERM 2017
FOOTBALL CLUBS



THURSDAYS 3.15PM - 4PM
Y1 - Y2

CLUB DATES:

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th November

KS2 AFTER SCHOOL
FOOTBALL CLUB

THURSDAYS 3.15PM - 4:15PM
Y3 - Y6

CLUB DATES:

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th November

CHESS CLUB

TUESDAYS 3.30 - 4.15pm
Y3 - Y6

There will be the occasional lunchtime Chess Club this term.

7th, 14th, 21st & 28th November