



**Ashurst CE Aided Primary School
Home-School Partnership
SPRING TERM Newsletter
February 19th 2018**



Dear Pupils and Parents

Welcome back to school after what we hope was an enjoyable half term break for all families.

Everyone enjoyed the first **SPRING TERM 'OPEN AFTERNOON'** on Monday 5th February 2018, according to the many supportive comments we received on Parents' Comment Forms handed out on the day. The next **'OPEN AFTERNOON'** is on **MONDAY 26TH MARCH** from **2.30PM - 4.00PM**

We are all hoping for better weather now, to be able to return to the school field for playtimes and for the many other activities and events planned for this **SECOND HALF OF SPRING TERM, including two FOOTBALL MATCH FIXTURES!**

Further OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARENTS AND CARERS to come into school this half term include:

- **Y1-Y6 PARENT CONSULTATION AFTERNOONS/EVENINGS** on **MARCH 6th and MARCH 15TH** from **4.00pm - 6.00pm**, by appointment through School Office and Mrs Ixer, please. *Appointment letters due home this week and may also be found on the school's website.*
- **YR PARENT CONSULTATION MORNING** on **FRIDAY 9th MARCH** - *by appointment, again via School Office and Mrs Ixer, please.*
- The annual **'ASHURST PRIMARY MUSIC FESTIVAL'** is on **FRIDAY 23rd MARCH** and starts at **2.00 PM** with all welcome to join us.

REMINDER: THE CHANCTONBURY MUSIC FESTIVAL FOR Y5&6 PUPILS IS NOW ON APRIL 24TH 2018

OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES this half term include:

- **Y6 BIKEABILITY WEEK** at **THE TOWERS** from **26TH FEBRUARY TO 1ST MARCH**. *Details home to respective families before half term.*
- **Y5&Y6 COOKERY DAY** at **SHOREHAM COLLEGE** on **FRIDAY 9th MARCH**. *Details home to respective families before half term.*
- **Y5 'CHORAL DAY'** at **CHRIST'S HOSPITAL** on **2ND MARCH**. *Details home to respective families before half term.*
- Annual **Y5 'CITIZENSHIP MORNING'**, in Horsham, on **WEDNESDAY 28th MARCH 2018**. *Details for respective families before half term.*
- **BUMBLES' GARDEN 2018** - planning and preparing for Summer 2018.

School also has:

COUNTY CHESS COMPETITION 2018-2019, ROUND TWO

Following its success against **WINDLESHAM SCHOOL CHESS TEAM** here on **TUESDAY JANUARY 23RD**, Ashurst is awaiting a similar '**CHESS COMPETITION AFTERNOON**' in school against **LANCING PREP SCHOOL HOVE** before learning of its **ROUND TWO** Competition games this half of term. The school's Chess Team pupils and respective parents will receive permission slips when precise dates/venues are known.

CHESS CLUB - *please see dates for the term..*

MASTERCLASSES at **SGS** for **Y5** pupils *please see dates for the term..*

The school is awaiting news of **ENRICHMENT DAYS** organised by **the CHANCTONBURY SCHOOLS** this half term and will be in touch with respective year groups and pupils once these are known..

According to the Diocese of Chichester, 2018 is the 'YEAR OF PRAYER' and Ashurst CE Primary is looking forward to incorporating this theme into its whole school ART/RE Project on 'The Liturgical Year' and 'Bible Stories - God's Messages', begun last Spring, as part of the Diocesan 'YEAR OF THE BIBLE'.

RE: Parent and good friend of the school, Mrs Croft, continues to support the teaching of RE in school with 'THE EASTER STORY' just before school term ends this term.

The school's **MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE** at St James' Church **FOR ALL PUPILS & FAMILIES** is on **SUNDAY 11TH MARCH**.

ASHURST PARISH MAGAZINE SPRING 2018

The school's contribution to the Spring edition of the Parish magazine is being produced by pupils in Y6 once again.

ASHURST PRIMARY 'RED NOSE DAY'/'SPORTS RELIEF'

ALL pupils are invited to pay **£2.00 each** for the opportunity of wearing **ANY RED CLOTHING** to school on **TUESDAY MARCH 27th**, in aid of **'COMIC RELIEF'/'SPORTS RELIEF'**.

SPORT & GAMES:

- **SWIMMING LESSONS** at **THE TOWERS**

Please see dates for the term for groups and sessions. Due to the short nature of the Spring term, lessons for KS1 pupils are being organised for the first half of the Summer term. Respective parents will be informed of dates in due course.

*The **RESCHEDULED Y5/6 SWIMMING SESSION** was held on **Monday 5th February**.*

- **PUPILS' TAG RUGBY COMPETITION**

A team have been entered for this tournament in Horsham, date to be advised shortly.

- **FOOTBALL FIXTURES**

23rd FEBRUARY 2PM-3PM 10 A-SIDE COMPETITION HERE VERSUS AMBERLEY SCHOOL

THURSDAY 8TH MARCH 10 A-SIDE COMPETITION HERE VERSUS ST JAMES' SCHOOL, COLDWALTHAM

- **SPRING/SUMMER SWIMMING GALA FOR GIRLS AT THE TOWERS** - date awaited
- **CLUBS** - *please see dates for the term.*

SPRING TERM JUNIOR HOMEWORK PROJECTS due for submission on
Y3/4: **MONDAY 5TH MARCH.**
Y5: **MONDAY 5TH MARCH.**

FOR ALL FAPS EVENTS, PLEASE SEE SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD.

PARENT GOVERNORS: The school enjoys the support, integrity and professionalism of its PARENT GOVERNORS. Parents/carers wishing to make contact formally to meet and/or discuss school-related matters with individual Parent Governors are welcome to make contact with them via SCHOOL OFFICE, by addressing correspondence to specifically named Parent Governors and/or by communicating the desire to do so via email.

School Office staff will ensure correspondence and communications are passed on to identified/respective parent governors.

For information on the school's current parent governors, please see the school's website.

As you can see, we have another full and exciting half term to look forward to! And, as always, should you have any questions and /or concerns, please do contact the school.

Meanwhile, kindest regards Mrs J Williams, Headteacher

ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL

DATES FOR SECOND HALF SPRING TERM 2018

'Bikeability', The Towers Convent School Y6 Pupils	26 th February - 1 st March
Headteachers' Diocesan Conference	1 st March
Y5 Choral Day Christ's Hospital School	2 nd March
Y5/Y6 Cookery, Shoreham College	9 th March
YR Parents' Morning	9 th March
School's Mothering Sunday Church Service, St. James' Church 10:30am	11 th March
Parents' Consultation evenings 4-6pm	6 th & 15 th March
INSET DAY	19 th March
Full Governors Meeting 6:30 - 8:00pm	20 th March
Ashurst Music Festival (2pm)	23 rd March
OPEN AFTERNOON 2:30 - 4:00pm	26 th March
The Easter Story with Mrs Croft	28 th March
Y5 Citizenship Horsham	28 th March
Horsham Tag Rugby Tournament Team of Y5/Y6 (pm)	tba
Football Matches APSv Amberley & APSv Coldwaltham	tba

ST.JAMES' CHURCH, ASHURST

Family Service - fourth Sunday of each month.
Family Eucharist Service - second Sunday of each month.
Both at 10:30am

For more details of all local Services including those at St. James' Church, Ashurst, please see the following website:

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/ashurst-st-james/>

SWIMMING SPRING TERM 2018 SECOND HALF

Y3 pupils: **SWIMMING KIT,**
PACKED LUNCH & MID MORNING SNACK REQUIRED

MONDAY 19th FEBRUARY 2018

MONDAY 26th FEBRUARY

MONDAY 12th MARCH

11:40 - 12:40pm all sessions

**Extra-Curricular Activities:
Second Half Spring Term 2018**

Football Club (Y1 - Y2)

3:15 - 4:00pm

22nd February

1st, 8th & 22nd March

Football Club (Y3 - Y6)

3:15 - 4:15pm

22nd February

1st, 8th & 22nd March

Chess Club (Y3 - Y6)

3:30 - 4:15pm

20th & 27th February,

13th & 20th March

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

Spring Term 2018

4th January - 29th March 2018
Half Term: 12th - 16th February

Summer Term 2018

16th April - 24th July 2018
Half Term: 28th May - 1st June

INSET DAYS

Spring Term 2018

Monday 19th March

Summer Term 2018

Thursday 5th & Friday 6th July