



**Ashurst CE Aided Primary School
Home-School Partnership
SPRING TERM Newsletter
February 25th 2019**



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 **FRIDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 2019**, according to the many supportive comments we received on Parents' Comment Forms handed out on the day. The next **'OPEN AFTERNOON'** is on **MONDAY APRIL 1ST** from **2.30PM - 4.00PM**

We are all hoping for better weather again 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 **one/two FOOTBALL MATCH FIXTURES!**

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

- **YR-Y6 PARENT CONSULTATION AFTERNOONS/EVENINGS** on **FEBRUARY 26th** and **FEBRUARY 28th** from **4.00pm - 6.00pm**, by appointment through School Office and Mrs Ixer, please. *Appointment letters went home before half term.*
- The annual **'ASHURST PRIMARY MUSIC FESTIVAL'** is on **WEDNESDAY APRIL 3rd** and starts at **2.00 PM** with all welcome to join us.

REMINDER: THE CHANCTONBURY MUSIC FESTIVAL FOR Y5&6 PUPILS IS NOW ON MAY 1ST 2019.

OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES this half term include:

- **Y6 BIKEABILITY WEEK** at **JOLESFIELD PRIMARY** is from **TUESDAY 19th MARCH - FRIDAY 22nd MARCH** *details went home to respective families before half term.*
- **Y5&Y6 COOKERY DAY** at **SHOREHAM COLLEGE** is now in **JUNE 2019**. *Details home to respective families nearer the date.*
- Annual **Y5 'CITIZENSHIP AFTERNOON**, in Horsham, on **TUESDAY 2nd APRIL 2019**. *Details for respective parents nearer the time.*
- **BUMBLES' GARDEN 2019** - planning and preparing for Summer 2019.

School also has:

COUNTY CHESS COMPETITION 2018-2019, ROUND TWO

Following its 8:0 success against **COPTHORNE PREP.** and **COTTESMORE PREP.** in November 2018, the Ashurst chess team is due to play **ROUND TWO** at **LONDON MEED SCHOOL, BURGESS HILL** on **March 1st**. Permission slips were sent home to respective pupils and parents before half term.

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..

Following the success of the school's **'POPPY ART EXHIBITION'** in the Village Hall in October, school is planning a **SPRING TERM WHOLE SCHOOL ART WEEK** on the theme of **'DAFFODILS'** - of which, more very shortly!

The **Y6 PUPILS ENACTMENT OF 'THE EASTER STORY'** for all pupils and staff, is to take place in the grounds of **St James' Church** in the last week of this term, as has become the tradition in the past two years.

The school's **MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE** at St James' Church **FOR ALL PUPILS & FAMILIES** is on **SUNDAY 10th MARCH**.

ASHURST PARISH MAGAZINE SPRING 2019

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'

ALL pupils are invited to pay **£2.00 each** for the opportunity of wearing **ANY RED CLOTHING** to school on **FRIDAY 15th MARCH**, in aid of **COMIC RELIEF**.

SPORT & GAMES:

- **SWIMMING LESSONS** at **THE TOWERS**
Please see dates for this term for groups and sessions.
- **GYMNASTICS LESSONS** at **HENFIELD SPORTS CENTRE**
- **WEEKLY HLL (HORSHAM LEISURELINK) LESSONS** continue in school, at Dalesdown AND on the school field this term.
- **PUPILS' TAG RUGBY COMPETITION**
TUESDAY, 26th MARCH 2019. A team has been entered for this tournament in Horsham. *Details for respective parents' home shortly.*
- **FOOTBALL FIXTURES**
DATES AND VENUES TO COME!
- **CLUBS** - *please see dates for the term.*

SPRING TERM JUNIOR HOMEWORK PROJECTS

due for submission on:

Y3/4: **MONDAY 11th MARCH**.

Y5: **MONDAY 11th 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 2019

HALF TERM: 18th - 22nd February 2019 (Inclusive)
SPRING TERM ENDS: Friday 5th April 2019

Parents' Consultation evenings 4-6pm	26 th & 28 th February
Y5/Y6 Visit to The Southdowns Planetarium	7 th March
School's Mothering Sunday Church Service, St. James' Church 10:30am	10 th March
INSET DAY	18 th March
'Y6 Bikeability', The Towers Convent School	19 th - 22 nd March
Tag Rugby Tournament, Horsham Rugby Club (pm)	26 th March
Full Governors Meeting 6:30 - 8:00pm	26 th March
Headteachers' Diocesan Conference	29 th March
OPEN AFTERNOON 2:30 - 4:00pm	1 st April
Y5 Citizenship Horsham	2 nd April
Ashurst Music Festival (2pm)	3 rd April
Football Matches APS v Amberley & APSv Coldwaltham	tba

ST.JAMES' CHURCH, ASHURST

Family Services 2nd Sunday and 4th Sunday of each month 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 2019
SECOND HALF**

Y6 pupils: PACKED LUNCH & MID MORNING SNACK REQUIRED

**FRIDAY 15th MARCH
FRIDAY 29th MARCH**
11:40 - 12:40pm all sessions

Y3/Y4 pupils:PACKED LUNCH & MID MORNING SNACK REQUIRED

**FRIDAY 1ST MARCH
FRIDAY 8th MARCH
FRIDAY 22nd MARCH**
11:40 - 12:40pm all sessions

GYMNASTICS SPRING TERM 2019

Henfield Leisure Centre

Sessions 1:30 - 2:30pm

Normal lunchtime arrangements apply

Y5/Y6 pupils:

WEDNESDAY 27th FEBRUARY

WEDNESDAY 13th MARCH

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Football Club (Y1 - Y2)

3:15 - 4:00pm

7th, 14th, 21st, 28th March

Football Club (Y3 - Y6)

3:15 - 4:15pm

7th, 14th, 21st, 28th March

Chess Club (Y3 - Y6)

3:30 - 4:15pm

TUESDAYS

12th, 19th, 26th March,

2nd April

WEDNESDAY

6th March

**ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL
DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR
2018 - 2019**

Spring Term 2019

3rd January - 5th April 2019

Half Term: 18th - 22nd February

Summer Term 2019

23rd April - 23rd July 2019

Half Term: 27th May - 31st May

INSET DAYS

Spring Term 2019

Monday 18th March

Summer Term 2019

Thursday 4th & Friday 5th July