



# ASHCROFT INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

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# Newsletter

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*It has been a busy first full week for all our Nursery Children. They have particularly loved painting, climbing and exploring the mud kitchen!! The children are enjoying making new friends and finding out all about each other too.*



*What a fantastic start!*

## **Meet and Greet**

*Thank you to all the parents who are coming into school for our 'Meet and Greet' session today. We hope you enjoy speaking to your child's class teacher and looking around their new classrooms. We know that the children are very excited to show you around.*

## **Attendance**

*Whole school attendance for the week was 98.2%. A huge well done to the Cedar class who achieved 100% attendance.*

*Please could we remind you that if your child is going to be absent from school could you notify the school office by 9.20am so the correct code can be assigned on the register. No notification will mean your child receives an unauthorised absence code.*

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DEPUTY HEAD: Miss Zoe White

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## Headteacher Update

We've now placed the advertisement for our new Headteacher on WM jobs the main site for school jobs in the region. Applications close in early October and we plan to hold interviews before half term. I am sure many of you have now met Mrs Hamblin, our interim Executive Headteacher who is leading the school until we appoint a new Headteacher. We'll keep you updated on the recruitment process as it progresses. If you have any queries, please contact us through the school office.

Ashcroft Governors.

## Staffing

We are pleased to introduce Miss Rolston our qualified PE coach. She will be leading PE lessons in Reception, Year 1 and 2 on a Tuesday along with our class teachers.

To help promote our school 'Healthy lifestyles' she will also be running a Lunchtime Activity for all year 1 and 2 children, along with Cricket After school club.



## Snacks

Please can you ensure that you send your child in with the correct money for purchasing snacks at breaktime as we are unable to give change.

Milk - 20p Toast - 25p Crumpet/ Teacake - 30p



## Rainbow Readers

Our Rainbow Reading is always a great success! Last year it encouraged many children to read regularly and to develop a love of books. (Please note all children will be starting the challenge again and working towards their Red reading badge).

The challenge rewards children with a coloured badge for every 25 reads. The first badge is red and then the children work their way through the colours of the rainbow. Each time you hear your child read, either their school book or a book from home, please make a note in their diary and a brief comment about how well they did. It is wonderful to see so many keen readers already on their way to their red badge.



## Dates for your diary

Please make a note of all the key dates below:

Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Jeans For Genes Day
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	FOA Bake Sale (details to follow)
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	School Photographs (details to follow)
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	INSET day -school is closed for pupils
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	School re opens
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Book Fair in School (details to follow)
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent Interviews
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent Interviews
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for Christmas break at 3pm
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	School re opens

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### *Outdoor Playground Equipment*

The use of the playground before and after school is the responsibility of parents/carers. It is not advisable to use the equipment when weather conditions mean it is wet or icy. Please use the equipment safely.

### *Reception Children*

Please can all reception children bring a family photograph in to school on Monday. Many thanks.

Mrs Buckler Mrs Stevens Mrs Poole

### *It is not too late to sign up for 'Be My Skills Coach Pack'*

If you have still not returned the slip below and would like to receive the 'Be My Skills Coach Pack' Please send the slip back as soon as possible. Many thanks

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I agree/ do not agree to my child ..... in class .....

Being part of the skills coach pack activity and I agree to pay for any lost or damaged equipment.

Signed ..... (Parent / Carer)