

ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL HOME-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP NEWSLETTER SPRING TERM 2020 7th January



Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

Welcome back to school in 2020!

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year, and are now looking forward to the many exciting things planned for this term.

With all that is planned, parents and carers wishing to contact the school and/or individual staff members, including Mrs Williams, this term, regarding matters relating to their child/children's education and/or well-being, should please do so through School Office and Mrs Ixer or Mrs Hedley in the first instance - for which, many thanks for your support.

• TOPICS

This term, pupils in Y5 & Y6 are studying 'Reaching the Peaks & Reaching Our Peaks', pupils in Y3 & Y4 are studying 'Magnificent Metals (The Iron Man)' and infant pupils are learning all about 'Important People' and 'Change Detectives/The Ugly Bug Ball'.

VISITS

As part of their studies this term Y3 & Y4 pupils will be visiting Amberley Museum, Y5 pupils Arundel Cathedral and Y6 pupils Chichester Cathedral more information and dates to be advised shortly.

• TEACHING & LEARNING:

FS&KS1: MRS CLARKE & TA MISS KELSEY

Y3&4: MRS SMITH

Y5: MR MALSBURY = TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

Y6: MRS WILLIAMS = TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY MORNINGS

Y5: MRS SANSBURY = MONDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY MORNING

Y5&6: MRS SANSBURY = MONDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY

AFTERNOONS

Y3-6: MRS HEDLEY COMPUTING

FS-KS2: MRS HARWELL the ASHURST SPRING TERM MUSIC FESTIVAL 2020 and CHANCTONBURY MUSIC FESTIVAL 2020 dates to be advised.

Peripatetic flute teacher: Mr Smith

• PE/SPORTS/GAMES

YR-Y6 overseen by MRS SANSBURY:
MRS JAGOTA, HORSHAM LEISURELINK:
IN SCHOOL & DALESDOWN (from 9th January 2020)
MISS MILES, SWIMMIMG, THE TOWERS
(beginning with Y5 on 17th January 2020)
MRS WADMAN, GYMNASTICS: HENFIELD LEISURE
CENTRE (beginning on 15th January with Y3/4).

- WHOLE SCHOOL ART WEEK, 9TH 13TH MARCH, with CERAMICS SPECIALIST MRS JENNY WIGHTWICK
- BUMBLES'GARDEN PROJECT 2020: whole school discussion and preparation for the school's ASHURST FLOWER SHOW display in July 2020, begins after half term.
- PARENT CONSULTATION EVENINGS for discussing individual pupil progress with respective class teachers this term: THURSDAY 13TH FEBRUARY & THURSDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2020.
- Y2 & Y6 SAT INFORMATION EVENING FOR RESPECTIVE PARENTS: WEDNESDAY 5^{TH} FEBRUARY 5.30-7.30, with invitations home very shortly.
- 'CITIZENSHIP' Y5 in Horsham is on the afternoon of APRIL 1ST 2020.....with letters home to parents with more details nearer the time.
- 'OPEN AFTERNOONS' for ALL PARENTS & FRIENDS are on MONDAY 10TH FEBRUARY and MONDAY 30th MARCH from 2.30pm 4.00pm.
- HOMEWORK: Y3-Y5 pupils are to undertake their annual extended HOMEWORK PROJECT starting W/B 20th JANUARY 2020, with respective teachers writing to you with details and guidance shortly. The weekly KS2 'Homework Surgeries', offering on-going and individual support will be as follows: Mrs Smith TUESDAY afternoons 3:30-3:45pm, MRS SANSBURY FRIDAY afternoons from 3.30-3:45pm and

Mrs Williams at ANY convenient time to suit. Pupils in Y2 continue to have set homework this term, now organised by Mrs Clarke.

- PUPILS' 'ANNUAL REVIEW': The 'Pupils' Voice' assemblies this term
 will feature, once again, an Annual Review of 'School Rules on
 Acceptable/Non-Acceptable Behaviour' and upper juniors reporting
 back to everyone on 'Pupils' Evaluations of Ashurst Primary in 20182019'.
- IN-SCHOOL TIME, **Y6** 'BIKEABILITY PROGRAMME' AT JOLESFIELD' IS WEEK BEGINNING 23rd MARCH 2020 more details to come nearer the time.
- **NETBALL MATCHES**: the school is currently involved in discussions for senior pupils to take part in spring netball matches ...with more details to come shortly.
- CHESS, FOOTBALL & CRAFT CLUBS Chess Club resumes on Tuesday 13^h JANUARY and Football and Craft Clubs on Thursday 15th JANUARY. For the other Spring term dates, please see the attached sheet.

The school's CHESS TEAM is looking forward to competing in the SECOND ROUND of the COUNTY CHESS COMPETITION 2019-2020, and will be keeping respective families informed of dates /venues/team members, in due course.

- ASHURST PARISH MAGAZINE SPRING 2020: The school's contribution to the Spring edition of the Parish magazine will be produced by pupils in Y6 again this term.
- 'GOVERNORS IN SCHOOL' FOCUS: the school looks forward to welcoming governors formally throughout the Spring term again, observing and monitoring according to the priorities identified in the school's Improvement Plans 2019-2020, including Safeguarding as always, and to talking to pupils and staff before reporting back directly to the FGB on findings.
- COLLECTIVE WORSHIP & RE: FATHER MARK is continuing with his special programme of worship this term which will naturally include MOTHERING SUNDAY and EASTER.

- Y6 PUPILS' ENACTMENT OF THE EASTER STORY, for pupils and staff, is at ST JAMES' CHURCH on 1st APRIL 2020.
- For the dates of FAMILY SERVICES at St JAMES' CHURCH this term, including the above-mentioned Mothering Sunday, please see the attached sheet.

As you can see, there is much planned for all pupils and staff again this term, and we are very excited at the prospect of all that is in store.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

and

kindest regards, as always,

from all at Ashurst CE Aided Primary School



ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL



ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS & CONTACT ARRANGEMENTS/SCHOOL CLOSURES

In the event of 'school closure' at the start of the day or when children have already registered, a message will be put on the Home page of the School website.

https://www.ashurstcofe-pri.w-sussex.sch.uk/website

A text message will also be sent to parents via our eSchools Message service.

A decision to close the school will be made and parents/carers informed by 8am at the latest.

If adverse weather conditions occur during the school day we will send a text message asking parents to collect their children.

Children will not be allowed home with other parents/adults, unless the school has received personal notification/confirmation of this by the parent of the child/children concerned.

Please ensure that all details of your phone/contact numbers, held by the school, are up-to date. THANK YOU.

Broadcasts of school closures in our area can be heard on the following radio channels:

BBC SUSSEX (based in Brighton) 95.3FM, 104.3FM, 104.5F, 104.8FM

SPIRIT FM SUSSEX 96.6FM, 102.3FM, 106.6FM

MORE RADIO 106.4MHz, 106.8MHz

ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL DATES FOR SPRING TERM 2020

3th January - 3rd April HALF TERM: 17th - 21st February (inclusive)

Family Church Services

Family Church Service 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30 am. Please see St. James' Church website for further information on service dates. https://www.achurchnearyou.com/ashurst-st-james/

Family Church Service, St. James' Church Ashurst 10:30am 12th January Y5 Wednesday Masterclass Groups SGS 4-5pm tba Y3-Y5 Homework Project w/b 20th January Full Governors Meeting 6:30 - 8:00pm tba 13th & 27th February Parents' Consultation evenings 4-6pm Monday 10th February OPEN AFTERNOON 2:30 - 4:00pm HALF TERM 27th February Y5 Parents' Consultation evenings 4-6pm School's Mothering Sunday Church Service, St. James' Church 10:30am tbc 8th March 23rd - 26th March 'Bikeability', Jolesfield Primary School, Y6 Pupils Full Governors Meeting 6:30 - 8:00pm tba Headteachers' Diocesan Conference 27th March 30th March OPEN AFTERNOON 2:30 - 4:00pm Y5 Citizenship, Horsham Drill Hall 1st April 1st April Y6 Enactment of The Easter Story Y5 Visit to Arundel Cathedral tba Y6 Visit to Chichester Cathedral tba Y3/4 Visit to Amberley Museum

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SWIMMING SPRING TERM 2020

1:30 - 2:30pm all sessions

Y5 pupils: PACKED LUNCH & MID MORNING SNACK REQUIRED

FRIDAY 17th JANUARY 2020 FRIDAY 24th JANUARY

Y6 pupils: PACKED LUNCH & MID MORNING SNACK REQUIRED

FRIDAY 31st JANUARY FRIDAY 7th FEBRUARY FRIDAY 14th FEBRUARY

Y4 pupils: PACKED LUNCH & MID MORNING SNACK REQUIRED

FRIDAY 28th FEBRUARY 2020

FRIDAY 6th MARCH FRIDAY 13th MARCH

Y1 pupils: PACKED LUNCH & MID MORNING SNACK REQUIRED

FRIDAY 20th MARCH

Y2 pupils: PACKED LUNCH & MID MORNING SNACK REQUIRED

FRIDAY 27th MARCH

GYMNASTICS SPRING TERM 2020

Henfield Leisure Centre

Sessions 1:30 - 2:30pm Normal lunchtime arrangements apply

Y3/Y4 pupils: WEDNESDAY 15th JANUARY

WEDNESDAY 22nd JANUARY

Y1/Y2 pupils: WEDNESDAY 29th JANUARY

Y5/Y6 pupils: WEDNESDAY 5th FEBRUARY

WEDNESDAY 12th FEBRUARY

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Chess Club (Y3 - Y6)

3:30 - 4:15pm Tuesdays 14th & 28th January, 4th, 11th & 25th February 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th March

Football Club (Y1 - Y2) 3:15 - 4:00pm

Thursdays 16th, 23rd & 30th January 6th February 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th March

> Football Club (Y3 - Y6) 3:15 - 4:15pm

Thursdays 16th, 23rd & 30th January 6th February 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th March

> Craft Club (Y2 - Y6) 3:15-4:15pm

Thursdays 16th, 23rd & 30th January 6th February 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th March

ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2019 - 2020

Spring Term 2020

6th January - 3rd April 2020

Half Term: 17th - 21st February

Summer Term 2020

20th April - 20th July 2020

Half Term: 25th May - 29th May

INSET DAYS

Summer Term 2020

Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd July