



## Upcoming Events

### May 12

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> SATS Week

### May 14

After School Club – Athletics YR-Y6

### May 16

VE Celebrations – Street Party.  
Dress in red, white and blue or in Brownie, Guides, Scouts or Cubs uniform

### May 21

Y5/6 London Trip Parent meeting  
3.45pm

### May 22

Y3 and Y4 Swimming

### June 3

Joe Rice – First Aid Training for Class 2

### June 5

Y5 and Y6 start Swimming

### June 18

PTFA Meeting 9am

### July 2

2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> July London Trip Y5/Y6

### July 9

Sports Day 1.30pm

### Term Dates 2025 -2026

<https://www.thecarey federation.co.uk/ashwater-primary-school/parents/term-dates/>

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025

# Ashwater Primary School

*Aim High; Be Resilient; Take Care of Each Other*

## Newsletter No.18 Spring Term

Dear Families

### 80th Anniversary of VE Day

We had a wonderful celebration of VE Day on the 8<sup>th</sup> of May. Children came into school to the sounds of VE DAY of 80 years ago being played on the loudspeaker and then took part in class-based activities. We had a special Federation assembly where Ashwater and Halwill linked up via TEAMS. The children have been learning the song for VE Day, which they sang beautifully, along with the National Anthem. It was the first time many children had sung 'God Save the King'.

It is very important to us that the children have a really good knowledge and understanding of the significance of VE Day and it's 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We have planned a two week programme dedicated to VE Day, using the resources shared by the DfE. This programme runs through lessons and assemblies this week and next.

The climax of the two-week focus will be the non-uniform day and Street Party Lunch on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May. Children can wear red/white/blue or Brownie's/Cubs/ Scouts/ Beavers uniform etc.

It was great to see children dressed up on Thursday, especially those in uniform. We talked in assembly why we wear our Scouts/ Brownies uniforms and helped children understand the meaning of service.



Ruh Alford  
Executive Headteacher

## Other News

### Year 6 SATs – 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May

Next week is SATs week for Year 6. I know the children have been working very hard. The most important thing is that children 'Aim High' and do their own personal best. We are all different and have different strengths so each child's personal best will be different to another child's. Please help children to remain calm and positive by having early nights over the weekend and next week, eating well, particularly breakfast and keeping active. In addition, please arrive at school **at 8:45** to avoid additional stress in the morning.

Attendance next week is particularly important. If your child is unwell and cannot attend school, please let us know as soon as possible as we will need to make an application to the Standards and Testing Agency (STA) for a timetable variation.

### PTFA Bluebell Walk

A huge thanks to Emma Kirk and family for hosting the Bluebell Walk last Sunday. It was a wonderful day and the sun shone. Thank you to all who went along and for providing cakes. The PTFA raised £520 from the day. Well done!



### Class Page on the Website

Teachers have now updated the Class Page; please look to see what the children are learning this time.

### Outlines of Support

Sometimes children need a little extra support or intervention. Teachers will be noting any additional support or intervention for those children that need it, on an 'Outline of Support' and will send these home in the next couple of weeks. Please note the 'Outline of Support' is not aimed at children with Special Educational Needs, as these children will have a 'My Plan'. Teachers will invite parents in to look at these together in the next couple of weeks.

If you have concerns that your child may have a Special Educational Need, please raise this with Mrs Caswey, the Federation SENDCO. You can contact her via the school office to arrange a meeting.

### Warm Weather

Please remember to apply sunscreen in the morning and bring water bottles and hats.

## Useful Links

### School Contact Details

**Tel:** 01409 211228

**Email:**

[admin@ashwater.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ashwater.devon.sch.uk)

**Website:**

[Halwill Primary School – Halwill and Ashwater Primary Schools](#)

**Safeguarding:** If you have any concerns about a child, please speak to one of the safeguarding team or email [safeguarding@halwill.devon.sch.uk](mailto:safeguarding@halwill.devon.sch.uk)

### Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Ruh Alford

### Deputy Safeguarding Leads

Mrs Catherine Gee

Miss Hayley Frayn

Mrs Rosie Cawsey

### Safeguarding Governor

Mrs Alison Clark

### Attendance Officer

Mrs Ceren Brooker

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As you will know, Miss May started her maternity leave after the Easter holidays. Miss May gave birth to a baby boy! Congratulations to Miss May, we wish her and her family all the best.

**Swimming**

The children are swimming at Ruby Oak. Please see the dates below and complete the following form: <https://forms.gle/JGGhPFDqQwkF4TR8A>

Year Groups	Dates
Y 3/4	24/04, 01/05, 08/05, 22/05
Y 5/6	05/06, 12/06, 19/06
Y R/1/2	26/06, 03/07, 10/07, 17/07

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