



# Ashwater Primary School

Newsletter No.29 Summer Term.

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

Dear Parents,

Sports Day was a huge success and was completely without a hitch! The children, staff and parents & carers all had a great time and we have had some lovely emails and comments, so thank you for these. Thank you so much for your co-operation and support with the ticketing. It was so lovely to have you safely back on site. The parent-school connection is something very important to us and we have really missed it. A few parents have asked about photos being shared to the school Facebook page. We are planning to put a video montage together, there are some parents in the background of the pictures, please let us know if this would be an issue for you.

A huge well done to all the children for 'Aiming High' and for their impeccable behaviour. I was particularly impressed with some of the older children who really took care of the younger pre-schoolers in their teams. This is such an important aspect of our school motto and I was proud to see the children demonstrating this value. Congratulations to the Purple team who were the overall winners. It was very close because all the other teams also showed a great attitude and performed very well. A special congratulations must go to the following children who were selected by the staff to receive a trophy in Celebration Assembly for going above and beyond in extolling our school motto and Carey Qualities: Gabe, Gemma, Ben, Reuben, Charlie C, Amelia, Alfie, Mason, Thomas, Logan and Arthur.



Thank you to Scott Hayler, Mrs Cawsey and Mrs Gleed for co-ordinating the afternoon and to Mrs Barrett, Mrs Phillips and Mrs Hazell for their support with the children. A very special thanks must go to Mandy Furse for all the additional behind the scenes work with ticketing and for receiving parents and carers at the gate and ensuring a safe Sports Day.

Without the team effort, Sports Day would not have been possible.

In last week's assembly we looked at how Gareth Southgate's philosophy mirrors our school motto.



+ Be Brave: Be Resilient

+ Be Kind: Take Care of Each Other

+ Follow Your Dreams: Aim High

We talked about how a person goes from defeat in Euro '96 when missing a penalty against Germany to being a successful leader of his country's team. All the children identified that resilience and an 'Aim High' attitude are required.

In next week's assembly we will also look at Emma Raducanu, Britain's 18 year old tennis sensation who is incredibly grounded, despite her success and how she must now dig deep and be resilient to overcome her recent loss.

The African Drumming Workshop has been rescheduled to the morning of Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July.

### Transition

It was so lovely to meet the new Reception parents and carers last Friday. As all the children are currently in our pre-school it will make the transition for the children and parents less daunting. The sun was shining and we sat around the fire pit (on chairs not logs!) and parents and carers got a real feel of the environment their children are able to enjoy.

On Thursday 15th July, we invite parents of children who will be in Years 3, 4, 5 or 6 to meet Miss Frayn at 3:30 pm. Due to the current COVID situation and restrictions not lifting on 21st June, we intend to hold this outside.

There will be a short introduction from Miss Frayn and then opportunity to ask questions at the end. Mrs Gleed will also be present so you will have a chance to speak to her too.

Please do not attend if you have symptoms of COVID-19. On arrival, please come to the pedestrian gate, where you will be signed in, this will be necessary for NHS Test and Trace as well as our usual safeguarding procedures. Kindly wear a face covering (unless exempt) while walking around the school site. Once seated for the event, this can be removed, as seating will be socially distanced and outdoors.

### Year 6 Leavers: Monday 19th July 2:00 pm

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## Goodbye to Mrs Gleed

Mrs Gleed has dedicated 11 years to Ashwater School and we want to give her a fitting send off.

**On the afternoon of Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July** we will have a Teddy Bear's Picnic for the children in the afternoon. We will provide the food for this. If children would like to bring in a teddy, please bring in on Monday of that week and we will leave it to quarantine before the event. At the end of the school day, parents will be able to come on to the playground (wearing face coverings and maintaining distance) and wish Mrs Gleed farewell.

After school on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, we will be giving Mrs Gleed a send-off from the staff and governors.

If you would like to donate to a leaving gift please let Mandy Furse in the office know.

## Uniform

You will be thinking about school uniform for September. Please see the attached letter with information about uniform. Here is the link to an order form.

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/halwillps/UploadedDocument/63a61e984435481d8ac491fb1fb6f200/13.ashwater-school-uniform-order-form.pdf>

If you would like a hard copy please ask the office. Please return by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July to ensure items are here for September.

Please do speak to Mrs Furse if you would like second hand uniform. Also, if you are entitled to Pupil Premium, your child will be able to have one set of free uniform per year. Please speak to Mrs Furse.

## Autumn Term 2021

There has been much speculation in the media recently about the return to school in September, currently we have no information or guidance from the DfE or Devon County Council on what the arrangements/procedures will be, once this has been received I will let you know.

Mrs Ruh Alford

Executive Headteacher

## Contacting Ashwater School

The school office (01409 211228) is open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. If you urgently need to contact a member of staff when the office is closed please either call the Classroom direct line or contact Halwill school on 01409 221476.

Please remember to order your School lunches via schoolmoney by Friday of each week. This helps us cater correctly. Thank you.

**NO NUTS** Please keep our children with severe nut allergies safe. It is imperative that no **Nuts** or **Nut products** are brought into school. Could all parents **PLEASE** be extra vigilant, especially with some cereal bars which contain nuts.  
Your support is appreciated.



If your child has:  
a runny nose, is sneezing or feeling unwell  
But they don't have:  
• a high temperature  
• a new, continuous cough, or  
• a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

These are not normally symptoms of coronavirus

Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial 111 or see your GP

If your child has:  
• a high temperature  
• a new, continuous cough, or  
• a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

This could be a sign of coronavirus

Book a test

## *Dates for your diary:*

### July

12th Roadford Lake Trip Y4,Y5 & Y6

13th Plymouth Aquarium Trip YR,Y1,Y2 & Y3

15th New 'Y3,Y4,Y5 & Y6' parents to meet

Miss Frayn 3.30pm

19th Year 6 Leavers 2pm

21st Teddy Bear's Picnic

23rd Last Day of Term

### September

6th Non-Pupil Day

7th Term Starts

# Ashwater Primary School PTFA

are selling

## TAKEAWAY AFTERNOON TEA BOXES

**ONLY**  
**£6 per box**  
**or £11 box**  
**for 2**

*Sunday 18th July*  
*2-3pm*

SELECTION OF SAVOURY AND  
SWEET TREATS WITH A SCONE,  
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**email [tash1989@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tash1989@hotmail.co.uk) or text**  
**07800606359**





## School Dress

The school colours are red, yellow and black or grey. We ask that all pupils wear sweatshirts and polo shirts with the school logo as this gives a sense of belonging to the children. These are available to purchase by completing an order form. You then pay for items through our SchoolMoney system.

PE kit is a plain white t-shirt, dark shorts / leggings / tracksuit bottoms, red school jumper/cardigan and trainers. On Wild Tribe days, please can children bring in waterproofs to wear over school clothes and wellington boots. If they don't have waterproofs then some other long clothing to cover arms and legs (not jeans) should be sent in. On swimming days a costume and towel are necessary.

In the interest of health and safety, make-up and jewellery should not be worn in school. Children with pierced ears may wear simple studs. Watches may be worn but must be removed for P.E. and on swimming days.

We encourage all children to keep a spare set of underwear and socks in their P.E kit in case of inclement weather conditions. It is also advisable to provide your child with a set of waterproofs for walking to school in wet weather.

It is essential that all clothing is marked with the child's name as even in a small school, children still manage to lose things. We try to find articles when asked but cannot be held in any way responsible for the loss of any valuable items, toys or money.

In the summer months, the children must wear a hat and suntan lotion. Please be advised that the school cannot apply the suntan lotion, it should be applied before the children come to school and sent in for the children to reapply themselves.

## School Uniform

Red Sweatshirt (available to purchase completing an order form and payable via SchoolMoney app)

Yellow Polo Shirt (available to purchase completing an order form and payable via SchoolMoney app)

Black or Dark Grey Trousers, Tailored Shorts, Skirt or Pinafore

Red Gingham Dress (summer)

White or Dark Socks

Dark Tights

Black Shoes or Boots (not trainers or pumps)

### For P.E

Plain white t-shirt

Dark Colour Shorts (dark leggings / tracksuit bottoms may be worn in cold weather)

Trainers

Ashwater Book Bags, Caps and Fleece are also available to purchase by completing an order form and payable through SchoolMoney.

# SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITY DAYS

BOOK A PLACE NOW - FIRST COME FIRST SERVED - LIMITED SPACES - FUN THEME DAYS

## Summer Holiday Performing Arts Activity Days: EVERY Tuesday and Wednesday in August

Times: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Run by Jessica Squire Dance - for ALL primary school aged children

Location: Hatherleigh Primary School, EX20 3JB

- Themed performing arts days filled with dance, drama, arts & crafts.
- Expect dance routines, dance & drama games, art & craft activities.
- **PLUS:** C-19 Gov reg. depending, show to parents/carers @ 2:45pm daily.



Dates and themes: Make sure you bring your fancy dress outfits too!

3/8 - Pirate Day! Join us on a swashbuckling adventure!

4/8 - Under the Sea Day! Let's dive in and dance and act like sea creatures!

10/8 - Superhero Day! Get set to soar like your favourite superheroes!

11/8 - Jungle Day! It's time for a party in the jungle - rrrrrrrroar!

17/8 - Disney Day! A day filled with your top Disney characters and songs!

18/8 - Pure Dance Day! Try loads of fun dance styles like street dance!

24/8 - Musicals Day! Expect songs from The Greatest Showman & all your favs

25/8 - Bees, Butterflies & Bugs Day! ...We're buzzing for this one!

**BOOK NOW TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!** Cost: £25 if you book one date  
Discount: £20 per day if you book more than one day/brother/sister discount

**ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL:** Book your child's place NOW! Contact Jessica Squire  
Email: [jessicasquire.perform@gmail.com](mailto:jessicasquire.perform@gmail.com) or text/call 07746892660 for more information



Fun activities for everyone varying from circus skills to beach activities and every session includes a FREE meal for all children.

Activities are taking place across Cornwall throughout the summer holidays, find one in your area by visiting our website:

[www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme](http://www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme)

- Activities available for children aged 5-16
- Free places for ALL children eligible for Free School Meals

For more information contact:

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☎ 07527 470537



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with friends this  
summer and attend  
a Time2Move  
Holiday Programme  
near you.






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• Tuesday 17th August: Tavistock College

Use code **TAVISTO170821** to book

• Wednesday 25th August: Holsworthy College

Use code **HOLSWOR250821** to book

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Enter the relevant code into the 'Promotional Code' box.

Click into 'BUY' and scroll down to find your camp.



### Go wild for reading with the Summer Reading Challenge!

Visit Holsworthy library this summer to take part in the Wild World Heroes Summer Reading Challenge. This year The Reading Agency has partnered with WWF to create an exciting challenge which will inspire children to take action for nature and the environment. Join the Wild World Heroes for an exciting adventure in the fictional town of 'Wilderville'. Through reading books, collecting rewards and learning all about our planet, Challenge participants will help the Heroes make Wilderville a greener place to live. With stickers to collect and plenty of brilliant books to enjoy, the Challenge is the perfect summer activity to build young readers' skills and confidence during the long break from school. Children who manage to read 6 or more books will earn a special medal and certificate.

Wild World Heroes launches on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July and runs until Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021. You can find out more here [DevonLibraries](http://DevonLibraries)



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