



# Ashwater Primary School

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

Dear Parents,

Yesterday Year 4 – 6 went to Roadford Lake and 'Aimed High' and had to 'Be Resilient' to challenge themselves in sailing and rafting activities. They had a great time and their behaviour was impeccable and commented on by the bus driver and staff at Roadford.



Year Reception to Year 3 left this morning for an exciting trip to the Plymouth Aquarium and next Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July, the Pre-School children are going to 'Really Wild' at Bideford.

For some, this will be their very first school trip because of the restrictions in the last 18 months. We really believe trips are important enrichment for children: widening their world, making learning real and making memories to last a lifetime. We are really pleased to have been able to offer these for the children who have missed out on experiences in the last year and a half.

Last week, Wes Pugh from Holsworthy College delivered 'Beach Sports' activities here with Class 2 and the children had a super time.

### End of Term Reports

Teachers are working hard to capture the progress children have made this year. I have been reading through the reports and I am really pleased with how well all the children have done, despite the disruptions due to lockdown. Reports will be sent home next week with your child. We will let you know on the day the reports are coming home so you know to look out for them. If we have contact details of separated parents, a copy of the report will also be posted.

### Ashwater Tea Towel & Afternoon Tea Boxes.

The Ashwater Tea Towel looks lovely! The PTFA will be selling them for £4 together with the Afternoon Tea Boxes (see back of newsletter for details). They will also sell the tea towels after school, a text will be sent out to confirm when this is happening. A huge thank you to the PTFA for their hard work in creating the tea towels and tea boxes.



### Opportunity to Meet Miss Frayn Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July

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. 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

We are pleased to be able to hold a live event this year and to be able to invite parents, as it is such an important occasion for the Year 6 pupils.

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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 it 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.

### COVID Procedures from 19<sup>th</sup> July

Although the Government are moving the country into Stage 4 of the Road Map, **we will continue with the same drop-off and pick-up procedures until the end of term.**

In September, we will look to return to a **soft start drop-off from 8:50 – 9:00 am**. Which means you can drop-off any time between these times but children **must be in by 9:00 am**. We will continue with a **3:30 pm pick-up for all children**. We will continue to drop-off and pick-up from the side gate, as this has worked well.

We anticipate children will bring in PE kits to change in school so uniform will be worn daily.

All of this, is of course, subject to COVID restrictions at the time of return so I will confirm final arrangements prior to the children returning. Thank you for your support with all the measures this year.

### Thank You

A huge thank you to Ryan Bridgman who kindly cut back the bank and hedge opposite the school, making visibility much better and so much safer for everyone.

### 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.

Second hand uniform will be available at the front of the school to take, free of charge, on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July from 8:45 am**.

If you would like to donate second hand uniform, please send it in on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July.

Mrs Ruh Alford

Executive Headteacher

## The Carey Qualities

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Every Piece Matters

Each Friday children are awarded certificates in our Celebration Assembly for making a significant effort to develop one of our Carey Qualities. Last week the following children were awarded certificates. Well done to them all.

For building <b>Relationships</b>	For being <b>Resilient</b>	For being <b>Resourceful</b>	For being <b>Reflective</b>	For being <b>Respectful</b>
William		Bradley Mason Millie Jack	Megan  George	

### 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

15th New 'Y3,Y4,Y5 & Y6' parents to meet  
Miss Frayn 3.30pm

19th Year 6 Leavers 2pm

20th Pre-School Trip 'Really Wild' Bideford

21st Second-hand Uniform Table 8.45am

21st African Drumming Workshop

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,  
JAM AND CREAM

PICK UP FROM ASHWATER VILLAGE HALL  
OR FREE DELIVERY AVAILABLE TO  
ASHWATER VILLAGE



**Preorders only**

**To order contact Tash Crocombe or Emma Kirk**  
**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.