



Ashgrove Primary School Newtownabbey

Our Weekly Newsletter

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RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS

Article 4

“Governments must do all they can to make sure every child can enjoy their rights.”

In school we actively promote an awareness of the rights of our children, this includes the right to an education, health care and to be kept safe and free from harm.

HALF TERM HOLIDAY

On Wednesday the Northern Ireland Executive announced that schools will close for Half Term from **Monday 19th October – Friday 30th October (inclusive)**. School will restart on Monday 2nd November at the usual times.

All schools will be closed for this period and there will be no provision for children of Key Workers which was available during the first lockdown. The Department of Education has also instructed schools that there will be no requirement to provide online provision for home learning.

During the week beginning 19th October, direct payments will be made to pupils in receipt of Free School Meals.

We hope all our children and families stay safe and well – we look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 2nd November.

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THANK YOU!

I would like to take the opportunity at the Half Term break to thank all members of staff in school for their hard work and efforts in making our school restart as smooth as it could be. We are so proud of how the children have settled back in to school life once again – they are a credit to you at home and we are grateful for your support and encouragement.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club will be available from the first day back after Half Term. The Club starts at 7.45am and provides supervision for children before school starts. As a reminder, places at Breakfast Club cost £2.75 per day and must be booked online in advance. Spaces at the Club are limited and are allocated on a first come first served basis.

CORONAVIRUS

Thank you for continuing to keep school updated with regards to testing for Coronavirus. I encourage you to let us know if anyone in your household is being tested and to share the results with us. As a reminder, children must NOT attend school if you or any member of your household display symptoms or receive a positive result. To keep us informed please email school on info@ashgroveps.newtownabbey.ni.sch.uk If your household is self-isolating, please provide us with the first date of isolation and the planned date for your child to return to school.

EMOTIONAL HEALTH & WELL BEING

On our website we have made available for parents and carers a range of resources to promote the emotional health and well-being of all children. The resources come from a range of agencies and are a fantastic tool to engage with your children at home. We are aware that moving in to a second period of restrictions may be challenging for parents and some pupils – have a look at these resources for ideas on how to keep positive and motivated. The resources are available under the Parents Section of our website.

SCHOOL DINNER MENU

Monday 2nd November

Cheese & Tomato Bap & Bottled Water

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Jelly Pot & Peaches

Tuesday 3rd November

BBQ Chicken Wrap, Rice Pot & Milkshake

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Vanilla Rice Pot

Wednesday 4th November

Sweet Chilli Crusty, Salad Pot & Bottled water

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Yoghurt & Fruit

Thursday 5th November

Ham & Cheese Muffin & Cucumber Sticks

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Mini Shortbread Jelly pot

Friday 6th November

Tuna & Sweetcorn Bagel, Carrot Sticks & Water

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Yoghurt & Melon

School meals are only available to those entitled to Free School Meals at present.

School meals for the week ahead should be booked online via SchoolMoney.

