



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 include the right to an education, health care and to be kept safe and free from harm.

Half Term Holiday...

School will be **CLOSED** next week for the Half Term Break. We reopen to pupils on **MONDAY 5TH NOVEMBER.** We wish all our pupils and families a safe and enjoyable Half Term Break. This will be a busy holiday for our Primary 7 pupils, Mrs Flaherty and Mr Agnew have sent home extra practice papers and revision packs for those pupils who are sitting the AQE or GL Assessments – it is important that our pupils make the most of the revision and preparation time available before the first test on Saturday 10th November... but also remember P7's to take some time to relax and recharge!

SCHOOL VIDEO!

It is with great EXCITEMENT that we have launched our new school video, this is available to watch on our website & social media accounts. Feel free to 'like' and 'share'.

A second video will be available after Half Term.

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Head lice- what to do...

Occasionally some cases of head lice in school come to our attention. It is therefore essential that all parents and carers check their children's hair regularly for signs of lice and their eggs.

Having head lice, also called nits, does NOT mean that a child is dirty or unkempt. Children are most commonly affected and anyone with hair can catch them. If you find head lice in your child's hair don't panic- this is easily treated.

Here is some advice provided by the NHS which parents and carers may find useful: If you think your child may have head lice:

- ✓ Check your child's hair. The most common places for head lice are in the hair behind the ears and at the nape of the neck.
- ✓ If you still can't spot any lice, comb the child's hair with a special 'nit comb'. These are available from most chemists. It's easier to spot head lice as they fall out if you comb the hair over a piece of white paper.

Treating head lice...

If head lice are present, you must treat your child promptly. You should only treat your child if you find live head lice. Don't treat 'just in case'.

Head lice are tough. They can't be killed by washing with normal shampoo or normal combing. Because they reproduce so quickly, you've got to kill them before they spread. If your child has head lice, check everyone in the family. You'll need to treat everyone affected to get rid of them.

You can treat head lice by wet-combing hair with a special comb, or by using medicated lotions or sprays available over the counter at pharmacies and some supermarkets. Your GP may also be able to help. (There is no need to keep your child off school if you find head lice, simply administer the treatment and come to school as usual).

For more information, visit: <http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Headlice/Pages/Treatment.asp>

Parent Teacher Consultations

Thank you to everyone who attended our Parent Teacher Consultations this week. We hope you found them informative and gained an insight about the progress your child is making. If you have any questions or need to raise any issues following the Parent Teacher Consultations, please do not hesitate to contact me.



House Points this Half Term...

Our House Captains and Vice Captains were busily counting House Points yesterday afternoon... see below for the results!

Willow (Blue)	Ash (Green)	Oak (Yellow)	Chestnut (Red)
2130	2046	1719	1829

Well done the BLUE House!

Diary Dates for November & December

Date	Event
Monday 5th November	School resumes at the usual time
Wednesday 7th November	St Michael's PS visiting Ashgrove
Thursday 8th November	OPEN NIGHT @ 6.30 pm All children go home at 2.00 pm
Friday 9th November	Cancer Focus NI Workshops to school
Saturday 10th November	AQE 1
Monday 12th November	Anti Bullying Week Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 15th November	P7 Annual Reviews – Mrs Doherty will write to parents if they are required to attend
Friday 16th November	Safeguarding Assembly with Mrs Luney
Monday 19th November	Global Learning Week
Tuesday 20th November	P6 Shared Education visit
Wednesday 21st November	P5 Shared Education visit
Friday 23rd November	P4 Shared Education visit
Saturday 24th November	AQE 2
Friday 30th November	OPEN MORNING Last day of teacher led After School Clubs School Council Meeting
Saturday 1st December	AQE 3
Wednesday 5th December	School Christmas Dinner
Thursday 6th December	PTA Christmas Fair
Thurs 13th & Fri 14th December	School Nativity
Wednesday 19th December	Carol Service & Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 20th December	12.00 pm finish for Christmas



Clubs week beginning Mon 5th November

From **Monday 5th November**, our After School Club will be extended to 5.30 pm. This is available to book for hourly sessions online from 2.00 pm. We ask parents and carers to please book spaces online in advance as this helps with our supervision arrangements.

The following After School Clubs will resume again after the ½ term break...

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>
After School Club 2.00-3.00pm 3.00-4.00pm 4.00-5.00pm 5.00-5.30pm Badminton Orchestra	After School Club 2.00-3.00pm 3.00-4.00pm 4.00-5.00pm 5.00-5.30pm Yoga Tag Rugby Scripture Union Coding Club	After School Club 2.00-3.00pm 3.00-4.00pm 4.00-5.00pm 5.00-5.30pm Le Club Francais Playsport Dance starting 14.11.18
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	Please remember to Book places at our After School Club online via SchoolMoney.
After School Club 2.00-3.00pm 3.00-4.00pm 4.00-5.00pm 5.00-5.30pm Hockey Library	After School Club 2.00-3.00pm 3.00-4.00pm 4.00-5.00pm 5.00-5.30pm	



Blythswood Shoebox Appeal

The closing date for our shoebox appeal has been extended to after the Half Term break. Please send your shoesboxes to school by Thursday 8th November.

The Checklist below is from the Blythswood Shoebox Appeal website... thank you for your kind support!

CHECKLIST 2018

Please tick items included and firmly secure this list on your shoebox lid.

SUGGESTED ITEMS (ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW):

Please do try to include the following items highlighted in the top box.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush and Toothpaste | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Toy for boys and girls such as cars, dolls, balls. Please only include new shop-bought toys. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat, scarf, gloves | <input type="checkbox"/> Sweets (No chocolate or any other food) 'Best Before' date no earlier than March 2019. No loose sweets, lollies or undated bags of sweets. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soap | |

Do not include used or damaged items; war related items such as toy guns or knives or military figures; hand-made or knitted stuffed toys; chocolate or any food other than sweets. Chocolate Eclairs and Chocolate Limes are not allowed; books that are mainly words should also not be included.

Toiletries (NO TALCUM POWDER)

- Shampoo
- Face cloth/ Moist wipes
- Deodorant
- Moisturising Cream
- Comb/Brush
- Sanitary Products
- Shaving foam/Razors

- Underwear Socks/Tights

Miscellaneous

- New Make-up
- Sewing Equipment

- Household Candles
- Screwdrivers/Pliers
- Kitchen Utensils

Stationery

- Pens/Pencils/Sharpener
- Notepads/Colouring books
- Rulers/Rubbers

Clothes and other Items

(T-shirts/Pyjamas/Jumpers/ Shirts) etc

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PLEASE TICK THE BOX NEXT TO WHO THE BOX IS FOR



School Dinner Menu, £2.60 per day

VEGETARIAN OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE EACH DAY

SCHOOL IS CLOSED NEXT WEEK!

Monday 5th November

Sausages, Beans, Chips, Mashed Potatoes & Tomatoes Sauce

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Yoghurt & Fruit

Tuesday 6th November

Savoury Mince, Sweetcorn, & Mashed Potatoes OR Pizza, Sweetcorn, & Salad

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Flakemeal Biscuit & Milkshake

Wednesday 7th November

Roast Chicken, Diced Cabbage, Oven Roast & Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

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Rice pudding & fruit

Thursday 8th November

Chicken Curry, Boiled Rice, Naan Bread & Carrot Sticks

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Canadian Tart & Custard

Friday 9th October

Pasta Bolognese, Crusty Bread OR Fish Fingers, Peas & Mashed Potatoes

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Chocolate Flavoured Sponge & Custard.

HEALTHY BREAK 30p

Tuesday: Toast, Red Apple & Cucumber

Friday: Crusty Bread, Orange & Red Pepper

OPEN NIGHT FOR PRIMARY 1 & NEW PUPILS

Thank you for returning your Primary 1 pre-enrolment forms or for sharing these with other parents.

Open Night for new P1 pupils (or pupils moving in the area) is on **THURSDAY 16TH NOVEMBER, 6.30 pm. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

