



Ashmead
Primary School



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14th June 2013

Dates for the diary

18th June: Reception Sports Morning and Nursery Sports Afternoon - 1.30pm

19th June: Governors' Visit Day - Governors will be in the playground before school so come and say hello!

21st June: Sports Day (Y1 - 6)

26th June: Full Governors Meeting

29th June: Dads' Fun Day: 12.30 - 4.00

5th July: Y2V cake sale - 3.30 and PTA End of term kids' disco - from 6pm

8th July: Nursery - Y5 open afternoon

11th July: Nursery trip to the seaside

16th July: Y6 performance for parents and pre-schoolers - 2pm

17th July: Y6 performance for parents (no pre-schoolers) - 7pm.

18th July: Y6 Activity Day in the park

20th July: Y6 party: 7 - 11 pm at St Catherine's Church Hall, New Cross

22nd July: Y6 end of term day out

23rd July: Y6 open afternoon and leavers' assembly

24th July: INSET Day - no children

25th July - 30th August (inc) Summer Holiday

INSET DAYS: 2nd and 3rd September

4th Sept: Children start back

28th Oct - 1st Nov (inc) Half term break

19th Dec: Last day of Autumn term

A full list of next year's term dates and INSET days will be coming out soon.

Sports Day and EYFS Sports Events

Next week we will be going sport crazy with events for all the children from Nursery to Year 6. On Tuesday morning Reception will holding an activity morning from 10.45 a.m. until lunchtime. In the afternoon, Nursery will step in to the spotlight with their activities running from 1.45 p.m. On Friday the rest of the school (Y1 - Y6) will be having fun with 'track and field' type events. Friday morning will be the turn of children in Key Stage 2 (Y3 - Y6), starting at 9.20 a.m. and finishing by lunchtime. The day will finish with Key Stage 1 (Y1 - Y2) events in the afternoon. All these events will take place in the school playground and parents are welcome to come and watch, or even volunteer with helping on each day. If you would like to help, please email Faye at fhoward@ashmead.lewisham.sch.uk or see any of the teachers in the playground before or after school.

Children in Y1 - Y6 will be bringing home a letter tonight with more details about Friday's Sports Day, so please check their bookbag for additional information.



FREE DADS' FUN DAY FOR ALL THE FAMILY SATURDAY 29TH JUNE 12.30PM - 4.00PM @ ASHMEAD SCHOOL



For the third year running we are hosting the Lewisham Dads' Fun Day which promises to be just as good as (or even better than) last year! The event is free and Dads, Uncles and Grandads are all welcome to come along with their families (that includes mums too!). Activities will include bouncy castles, messy play, cycling events, bow and arrow making in the Forest School, a giant Scalextric and of course the ever popular 40 foot high climbing wall. Ashmead PTA will be running a BBQ and cake stall to fund raise for the school and will also be holding a raffle. See the PTA article to find out how you can help.

Lost learning time

Slowly, slowly, slowly our punctuality is improving. *Our total lost learning time as a school this fortnight was 19 hours and 50 minutes, slightly better than the last fortnight. These are our lost minutes of learning time this fortnight.*

- Reception F: 41 minutes lost
- Reception L: 10 minutes lost
- Year 1: 58 minutes lost
- Year 2H: 1 hour 25 minutes lost
- Year 2V: 2 hours 26 minutes lost
- Year 3: 4 hours 48 minutes lost
- Year 4: 2 hours 56 minutes lost
- Year 5: 2 hours 57 minutes lost
- Year 6: 3 hours 29 minutes lost



Safe and responsible parking

This week School Council have been concentrating on keeping the children safe coming in and out of school. They have designed 'tickets' to put on cars as reminders that it is dangerous, illegal and selfish to park on the zig zag lines or to double park.

Unfortunately we know from previous experience that when we are not patrolling, people often revert to bad habits (and yes, that includes double parking just down the road!). Lewisham have said that they

will be sending unmarked cars and vans with cameras to patrol before and after school and any illegal parking will result in a fine.

Please park responsibly!



PTA

Yesterday we held a PTA meeting in the Music Room and discussed various issues, including the need to have volunteers for PTA events and also what we might spend the fund raised money on.

The two big upcoming events where parents and carers can get involved are Dads Day on 29th June (see previous article) and the end of term children's disco on Friday 5th July (more details coming soon).



For the Dads' Day we need donations of cakes and raffle prizes and also volunteers for a stint on the BBQ. I know many of you will want to come and enjoy the day too, so

hopefully we will get enough helpers so that it doesn't all fall on the shoulders of a few. Many hands make light work! If you could help with Dads' Day or with any PTA events, please contact the school or email



ashmeadpta@mail.com



Meet the Governors

This week we are focusing on another of our Governors: Odina Nzegwu



Hi my name is Odina Nzegwu and I have been a community governor at Ashmead school since November 2012. I am a speech and language therapist by profession with a specialism in autism. I therefore work closely with many primary mainstream schools in the borough in which I work; particularly the special educational needs section within mainstream schools.

My previous contact with Ashmead school was limited to sometimes driving past it on my way home from work. It has therefore been such a pleasure to start to get to know the school from the inside. I immediately noted during my school tour with Sean in March just how engaged in the learning process the pupils were; from nursery right through to Year 6 and how both pupils and staff all seemed committed to the community feel of the school but also open to new ideas.

I decided to take on the mantle of community governor at Ashmead school, because it was a school that I had heard a lot of positive things about in relation to the school's ethos and approach to learning. I have a background interest in matters relating to the curriculum and special educational needs and particularly how to support children access the curriculum and maximise their potential. I hope to be able to share these skills and knowledge though being part of the Curriculum and Achievement Committee and a curriculum link governor at Ashmead school. I am also very excited about rising to the challenge of learning new skills along the way.

