



Ashmead Primary School



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Dates for the diary

**29th March - 12th April (inc)
Easter Holiday**

16th April: Y6 road safety talk

19th April: Nursery cake sale

24th - 26th April: Y4 School Journey

24th April: Y3 to Lullingstone Villa

26th April: Y1 to London Aquarium

3rd May: RL Cake Sale - 3.30

10th May: Y6 end of year celebrations
fundraising Book Sale

14th May: RF to Woodlands Farm

15th May: RL to Woodlands Farm and
Y4 trip to O2

22nd May: International Evening

**27th - 31st May (inc)
May half term holiday**

7th June: RF Cake Sale - 3.30

11th June: Y4 to Natural History
Museum

21st June: Sports Day

24th - 27th June: Y6 Road Bike Safety
Week

29th June: Dads' Fun Day

5th July: Y2V cake sale - 3.30

8th July: Nursery - Y5 open afternoon

11th July: Nursery trip to the seaside

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

23rd July: Y6 open afternoon and
leavers' assembly

24th July: INSET Day - school closed
to children

**25th July - 2nd September (inc)
Summer Holiday**

THANK YOU!

Thank you all so much for attending parents' evening this week and last. It was a real pleasure to see so many of you. Thanks also to all those who took time to see and write a comment about our 'Take One Picture' exhibition. The children really enjoy hearing your feedback on their hard work and creativity.

If you haven't looked at our website and blog recently then please take a look. There has been some brilliant sharing of school learning on there, including the chicks in our Reception classes, parachute experiments in Year Four and a forest school visit for Nursery children. Click on "March" on the right hand side to be able to scroll down the latest posts. If you have a chance to leave a comment too that would be most appreciated.

The address is: www.ashmeadprimary.wordpress.com

We look forward to reading your comments!

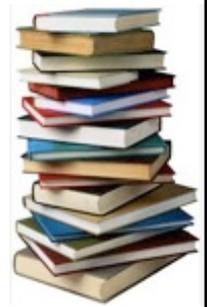


Y6 End of year party - fundraising events

Thanks to all the children and parents who baked for and bought at the Year 6 Cake sale on Friday 22nd March to raise money for the End of Year 6 Party. We raised £188.06!



There is another fundraising event, a book sale, planned for May 10th at 3.30 p.m. The End of Year 6 party is going to be from 7-11pm on July 20th at St Catherine's Church Hall, New Cross.



Run Forrest Run!

Joe, our Nursery teacher, is training hard in order to take part in the London Marathon this year. He is running in memory of his mum who passed away late last year from cancer so he is raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support. Please do consider donating, even if it is only a small amount - it all adds up and it is a great cause.

Thanks very much!



Happy Easter! Here comes Spring?

Well, the chicks are off to the farm and although the weather isn't very Spring-like at the moment, today is the last day of the 'Spring' term.

We wish you all a happy and healthy Easter break.

We will see you back at school for the 'Summer' term on Monday 15th April - there is NO INSET day on Monday 15th, our last INSET day of the year will be on 24th July.



Lost learning time

As we draw to the end of the Spring term, we have calculated the total number of minutes of lost learning time this term and it comes to a whopping 105 hours and 35 minutes - those few minutes late each day really do add up! It would be great to see the Summer term having much less lost learning time so please support us in this aim by coming to school in plenty of time- thanks for your support!

These are our lost minutes of learning time this fortnight.

Reception F: 1 hour 28 minutes lost

Reception L: 34 minutes lost

Year 1: 45 minutes lost

Year 2H: 31 minutes lost

Year 2V: 1 hour 11 minutes lost

Year 3: 3 hours 14 minutes lost

Year 4: 2 hours 26 minutes lost

Year 5: 5 hours 9 minutes lost

Year 6: 1 hour 11 minutes lost



School dinner money for next half term

For those of you who want to get organised (and help out the school office!), the price for next half term's dinner money will be £47.60 which covers the period from 15th April - 24th May. If you prefer, payment can be made online via Pay+ and Parentmail. See the office for more details. Thanks.



Singing at Ashmead

This week we have had the pleasure of not one but two singing showcases! The first was on Tuesday before the Parent-Teacher meetings and was run by Joyce our choir teacher. Today's singing extravaganza was led by Leonardo who delivers our fantastic singing assemblies. We are so lucky to have such talented teachers to inspire our amazing children. Their singing is going from strength to strength and it is so lovely to see their enthusiasm. Thanks Joyce and Leonardo!



Swimming gala

Well done to all the children who took part in last week's Y5/6 Lewisham Primary Schools' swimming gala. Many of the children were on the poolside for over five hours and the dedication they showed to the team and their peers was brilliant. Thanks also to the parent and staff volunteers who make out of school events like this possible. Special congratulations to Daniel and Rowena who both made the finals in their chosen strokes. We are very proud of you all - well done Alisha, Rowena, Kasimir, Bethan, Cerys, Samuel, Chehrazed, Amelia, Ebi, Taylor, Eleanor, Daniel, Joseph, Jasmine and Ikhlal.

Governor News - A message from Parent-Governor, Lena Kyriacou



Dear All,

As of next term I am resigning as parent governor at Ashmead. It has been a difficult decision as I have thoroughly enjoyed working for the school. There are two reasons for my resigning - both very positive.

When I ran for governor my reasons were that I wanted more after school clubs, better communication, more parent volunteers, more events and more sports. I am very proud of what the school has achieved in those areas and I feel confident the governing body will continue to improve in those areas.

The second reason for leaving is time constraint. One year ago, a fellow Ashmead mum and I started a business. We are now online and the business is demanding a lot

of my time. For those that are interested the website is: www.kattoo.co.uk. As you may know I am also a childminder and full time mum. Something had to give!

I would recommend every parent at Ashmead to consider running for parent governor. It is a very rewarding experience and the team of governors at Ashmead is truly amazing. I would like to thank you all for the support over the years.

Much love Lena.

