



ASHDENE PRIMARY SCHOOL



TUESDAY 15TH JULY

NEWSLETTER

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Empathy Teamwork
Communication

This week's RESPECT value champions are:

RB	Oscar S
RG	Alys R
1H	Xavier S
1SH	Frank W
2C	Jasmine S
2G	Anais H
3B	Lawrence F
3H	Elsie L-H
4C	Elsie W
4I	Morgan S
5B	Daniel J
5AG	Sophie S
6R	Hugo C / Henry E
6RG	Reuben H



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End of year message from Headteacher

As we reach the end of another school year at Ashdene, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of our families for your continued support and partnership throughout the year.

This has been a year of real achievement for our school. Our pupils continue to embody our RESEPCT values in everything they do. Their accomplishments, both in and out of the classroom, have been a joy to celebrate.

One of the highlights of the year was our Ofsted inspection, which recognised Ashdene as a school where pupils flourish academically, socially and emotionally. The report reflected the strong culture, high expectations and dedicated staff team that make our school such a special place to learn and grow.

We were also incredibly proud of the exceptional outcomes our children achieved this year. Across the school, pupils have performed well above national expectations. These results are a testament not only to the hard work of our pupils and staff, but also to the strength of the home-school partnership that underpins so much of their success.

Alongside academic achievement, we have continued to prioritise wellbeing, creativity and personal development. From sporting events and musical performances to school trips and residential visits, our children have had rich and rewarding experiences that support their growth beyond the classroom. As we look ahead to the next academic year, we remain ambitious for all our children and excited to build on this year's successes.

Thank you once again for being part of our school community. Wishing you and your families a restful, enjoyable summer break - and we look forward to seeing everyone in September.

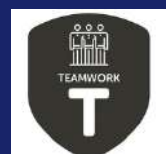


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Year 2 Temp Visit

This week Year 2 visited the Temp which has a community garden so we could apply our knowledge of plants. We learnt about composting, what plants need to grow and dug up some fresh potatoes and carrots.

We planted our own bean plants which should be ready in 8 weeks. The children are very excited to go back and pick some!



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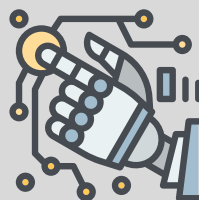
Year 6 STEM Visit

Year 6 welcomed Nico and Mike (Mrs Roberts' brother) from Salford University Prosthetics Department today. They told us all about their work on development of prosthetic limbs and brought along some robotic hands!

The Year 6 pupils then applied their coding knowledge from their current STEM project to program the robotic hands to play a game of rock paper scissors!

It was great to be able to apply our knowledge to some advanced technology, learn about a unique career and understand a little more about the importance of STEM in medicine.

Thank you, Nico and Mike!

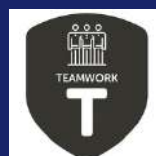


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Ukulele Concert

Well done to our Front Row Music ukulele players who performed for their families. Your timing and strumming technique was impressive and we all really enjoyed the Oasis song!

You made us all proud - keep up the good work!



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2025/2026 Pupil Leadership Teams

Well done to all the children who applied for a pupil leadership role this year. We were truly impressed by the number of applications and the quality of responses - making the decision was no easy task!

After much careful consideration, we are excited to announce the successful applicants.

A huge congratulations to our Pupil Leaders of 2025!

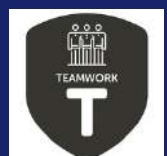
We look forward to seeing the positive impact you will make in your new roles.

Play Leaders

Team Leader - Maddie Andreae

Year 6 - Zac, Dennis, Harry, Dalton, Clara, Lucia, Arselia, Izzy, Gabriella, Emily

Year 5 - Reeva, Henry, Annie, Natalya, Kingston, Rosa, Jessica, Scarlett, Oliver



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Finance Team

Team Leader - Norah Templeton

Year 6 - Emily, Tilly D, Poppy, Zac G, Phoebe

Year 5 - George



Culture Team

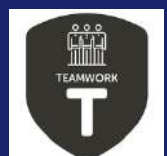
Team Leader Daniel James and Edward Wallace

Year 5 William

Year 4 Hari, Arlo, Ava , Alice

Year 2 Jaiyan

Year 1 Finley



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Teacher Support Team

Team Leader - Hollie Reagan

Year 5 - Annie, Rosa, Jess

Year 4 - Sophia D, Belle, Lilac, Henry G, Emily B, Sophia B

Year 3 - Asya, Harry H, Anais, Advita, Florence



Anti-Bullying Team

Team Leader - Sophie Seddon

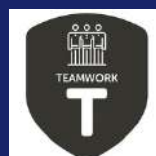
Year 6 - Olivia, Jasmine, Lily, Laura, Will H, Harry T

Year 5 - Hannah, Darcy

Year 4 - Ruby, Jude

Year 3 - Jack, Eleanor

Year 2 - Alice, Rose



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Active Ambassadors

Team Leaders Mia Hankin and Nicolas Sevenka

Year 6 William C, Dexter, Leo, Millie, Arthur, Ahmed , Austin, Benny.

Year 5 Annie, Annabelle.

Year 4 Sophia D, Henry.

Year 3 - Dougie, Rosie



Eco Warriors

Team Leader - Georgia Lewis

Year 6 - Florence, Bay

Year 5 - Elias, Seb A

Year 4 - Willow, Pippa, Eva, Freddy,

Year 3 - Saskia, Lucy, Leo

Year 2 - Harrison, Evie

Year 1 - George, Ezra



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Junior Safety Officers

Team Leader - Georgia Saint-Povey

Year 6 - Bibi

Year 5 - Teddy

Year 3 - Rex, James

Year 2 - Olivia, Jude

Year 1 - Myla, Spencer

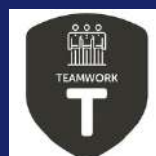


Digital Leaders

Team Leader - Blake Bull

Year 6 - Spencer

Year 5 - Olivia, Thomas



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Reading Ambassadors

Team Leader - Connie Lyman

Year 6 - Lia, Libby

Year 5 - Violet, Isla, Reeve, Ernest

Year 4 - Hettie, James, Leo

Year 3 - Luna, Renzo, Max, Phoebe

Year 2 - Zak, Harlow, Dylan, Finlay, Elsie, Nico

Year 1 - Jessica, Reynold



Mental Health Ambassadors

Team Leader - Tilly Hardy

Year 5 - George

Year 4 - Percy, Edith, TJ

Year 3 - Sophia



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Pupil Leadership

Active Ambassadors

A huge thank you to our fantastic KS2 Active Ambassadors for all their hard work this year. Their dedication to PE and keeping children active across the school has been truly brilliant!

Each week, they've made sure to bring their class' active minutes to Mr. Carpenter by 1pm every lunchtime, helping to spark some fierce (but friendly) competition for the coveted Active Class of the Week title. Their efforts have definitely kept everyone on their toes!

The Ambassadors have also represented the school at leadership events at WHS and were a huge help during KS1's Sports Day, showing great teamwork and respect.

Well done and thank you for being such amazing role models - we're very proud of you!

Culture Team

A huge thank you to Anna, Lottie, and the rest of the Culture Team for all their incredible work this year in helping to introduce and celebrate different cultures at Ashdene.

As the very first Culture Team, you've set a brilliant example- leading engaging assemblies, organising creative lunchtime activities and designing thoughtful cards to mark a wide range of celebrations. Your enthusiasm and hard work have helped bring different traditions and cultures to life for everyone in our school community.

We are so proud of everything you've achieved and are truly grateful for the positive impact you've made throughout the year.

Thank you for making Ashdene an inclusive and culturally rich place!



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Play Leaders

The play leaders have had an amazing last half term. I know the impact they have had on the Key Stage 1 playground and children has been incredible. Leading games, chatting and lending a helping hand, the play leaders have done an outstanding job.

As Key Stage 1 lead I'd like to say a huge thank you to all; you really made a difference.



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Mental Health Ambassadors

Calm Club

Our Mental Health Ambassadors have continued to lead Calm Club on Monday and Thursday lunchtimes, providing a quiet space for creative play or reading. They have taken it in turns to be 'on duty', which has required them to follow a rota, prepare resources, help other children in session and clear away. Mrs Ford has been very grateful for their dedication and support.



Calm



Wilmslow Youth Fundraising

Mental Health Pupil Leaders, Baxter and Skye, presented Jo Fletcher from Wilmslow Youth with £105 on Monday!

The money was raised by holding a non-uniform day in Year 6, to show thanks for the transition workshops and small group sessions the charity has given to help our pupils mentally prepare for the step up to High School.



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Finance Team

The Finance Team have applied to Tesco Stronger Starts for a grant to support our midday programme and fund equipment for lunchtime. Tesco customers decide who wins....so we need your help!

To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value and ask for a token per transaction. At the exit of the store are voting boxes with three hopeful entries.

Make sure you chose Ashdene and make your vote count. Voting will commence in store from the **first week in July 2025** until the end of September 2025 so please vote every time you shop! Thank you for your support on this. Stores where you can vote for Ashdene are:

Wilmslow Alderley Road Express Express SK9 1NZ
Handforth Extra SK9 3PA
Wilmslow Dean Row Road Express Express SK9 2TA
Bramhall Esso Express Express SK7 1JR
Handforth Express Express SK9 3HQ
Alderley Edge Express Express SK9 7JT



Sport

Active Ambassadors



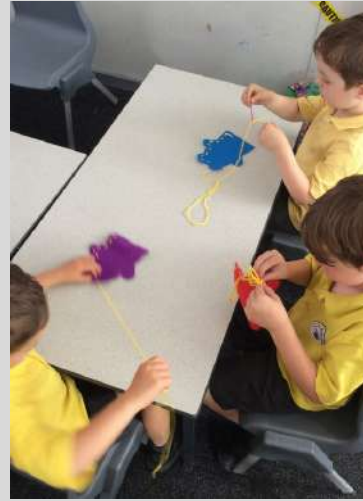
Well done to 4I for being the KS2 Active Classes of the Week with 98 extra active minutes.



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This Week In Pictures

Reception



Year 1



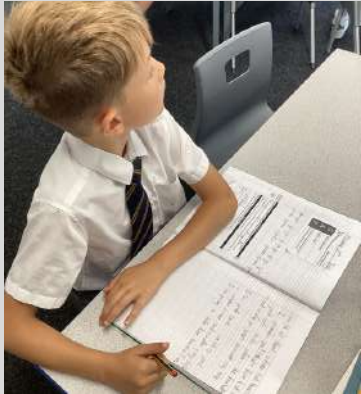
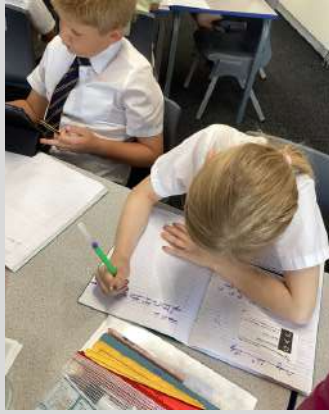
Year 2



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This Week In Pictures

Year 3



Year 4



Year 5




Year 6



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Attendance	
RB	98.3%
RG	99.3%
1H	96.7%
15H	99%
2C	97%
2G	99%
 3B	100%
3H	95.7%
4C	94.7%
4I	97%
5AG	96.8%
5B	96.5%
6R	86.6%
6RG	93.9%

Attendance

Update

Our attendance target is **97%**. We all need to work together on ensuring children are in school EVERY day and not missing any learning.

Our attendance for the week is:

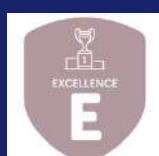
97%

Our attendance for the year to date is

97%



Well done **3B** on their perfect attendance last week!



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Reading Leaderboard

READING LEADERBOARD			Ashdene		
Year 3		Year 4		Year 5	Year 6
Sophia B	Ava P	Isla T	Rose E	Emily H	Elliot S
Ella W	Eva T	Dario B	Nial McK	Arselia D	Emily B
Leonard C	Cole W	Henry D	Seb A	Tilly H	Megan F
Emily B		Jasper F	Ella-Daisy R	Connie L	Maya R
Nari C		Teddy G	Rajveer S	Lia T	
James F		Nathan H	Huw V	Austin S	
Alice S		Edward A	William C	Edward W	
Henry G		Oliver E-C	Annabelle H	Clara C	
Luke M		George G		Mia H	
Rosie D		Thomas H		Jack W	
Elsie L-H		Annie B		Robin H	
Ruby R		Felix C		Lucy J	
Maggie MS		Lucas McC		Bibi W	
Phoebe McG		Reeva P			
Theo S		Darcie B			
Hettie D		Violet F			
Daisy F		Kingston H			
Sophia D		Ernest H			
Benjamin B		Frannie M-S			
Bodhi K		Harvey M			
Neve M		Morgan S			
Nia R		Jessica S			
Hari C		Elias Z			
		Jasper O			

School Trip Packed Lunch Ordering

Please note that from September, all packed lunches for school trips should be booked through Dolce via SchoolGrid.

For the upcoming Year 4 trip to the Grosvenor Museum, taking place on Friday 12th September, please ensure you have ordered your child's packed lunch via SchoolGrid no later than Friday 5th September.

Reception Outdoor Equipment

We kindly ask that you refrain from allowing young children (including siblings not attending school) to play with equipment during morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up times.

This request is in place to ensure everyone's safety and to help keep the equipment tidy and well-maintained for Reception children to use.



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Autumn Inset Days

We would like to remind you that there will be two INSET days on Friday 28th November and Monday 1st December. On these days, school will be closed to all pupils.

These dates have been chosen to create a long weekend during the autumn term, and we hope this will provide families with an opportunity to plan a short break or holiday without impacting school attendance.

School will re-open as normal on Tuesday 2nd December.

Uniform Reminder

A reminder that the old school uniform is no longer permitted from the start of the new term. Please ensure your child is wearing the updated uniform in full compliance with our current uniform policy.

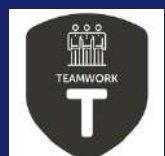
Additionally, there have been minor updates to the PE kit requirements. Notably: PE shorts must be mid-thigh length.

We kindly ask all parents to review the uniform and PE kit policy before purchasing new items. The policy can be found on our school website.

Free School Meal Reminder

Current Y2 children (Y3 from September) will no longer be eligible for Universal Infant Free School meals when they return in Y3.

If you wish your child to continue having school meals there will be a charge of £2.92 per day, which is payable in advance via the SchoolGrid catering system.



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End of Term Celebrations

As we approach the final day of the school year, we would like to remind families of the importance of being respectful and considerate to our wider community during any end-of-term celebrations.

We have been contacted by the local police, who have raised concerns on behalf of residents living near the park, just down from the school. On the final day of term last year, there were reports of disagreements between residents and parents attending the park, along with concerns about loud noise, swearing and inappropriate behaviour.

If you and your children are planning to visit the park after school, we kindly ask that you do so in a way that is respectful to local residents and other park users. Let's ensure the park remains a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

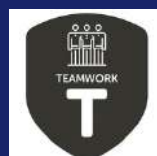
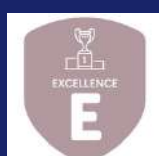
Please also note that Cheshire East Council has a ban on barbecues in all public areas, including parks.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain positive community relationships.

Learning Block A PE Days

PE days may change during the term to match the new six-week learning blocks, with updates shared in advance.

Year group	PE days
Reception	Tuesday + Wednesday
Year 1	Monday + Friday
Year 2	Wednesday + Thursday
Year 3	Wednesday + Thursday
Year 4	Tuesday + Friday
Year 5	Monday + Thursday
Year 6	Monday + Friday



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Water Safety Message

As part of our ongoing commitment to keeping our communities safe, Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service is asking for your support in helping us share a vital water safety message with students and families ahead of the summer holidays.

With warmer weather on the way, it's important to remind children of the dangers of swimming or playing in and around water. Statistics show that drownings are three times more likely on hot days, as more people look to cool off.

Stay safe this summer

Whether you're staying at home or going on holiday this summer, make sure you are being safe in and around the water.

What to do if you see someone in trouble

Shout – "Are you in trouble? Can you swim towards me, or stand up?"

Reach – find a long object that you can let go of, to try and reach the person. Lie down or crouch so you aren't pulled in too.

Throw – throw something to help keep them afloat - throwlines (floating lines), footballs, and life rings are great options.

Don't go – Never go into the water yourself; keep eyes on them and call 999 immediately.

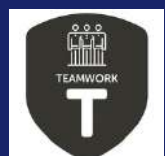
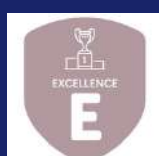
If you're in trouble, Float to Live - lie on your back, keeping your mouth above the surface, and try to gently move to safety. Stay calm.

For more information and life-saving tips, visit:

<https://www.cheshirefire.gov.uk/your-safety/water-safety/>

Have a very happy, and safe, summer!

From Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service



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Picture News

TAKEHOME

14th - 20th July



In the news this week

After fleeing the war in Ukraine, Yulia Brykailo moved to the Isle of Man with her daughter, Veronika. Yulia has since written a children's book inspired by Veronika's experience of settling into a new school. The story, Veronika's Treasure Adventures on the Isle of Man, follows a young girl exploring the island and discovering that the real treasure is friendship. Veronika was warmly welcomed by her new school, where pupils even learned Ukrainian words to help her feel included.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you think writing a book is a good way to help share an experience?
- > Ask someone at home about their favourite book. What is it they like about it? Tell them about yours. Are there any lessons you can learn from your favourite stories or books?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss



Key Dates

Wednesday 16th July New Reception Starters and Express Uniform Pop-Up Shop (Y6)

Thursday 17th July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 2pm

Friday 18th July - School closes for Summer

Monday 1st September - Inset Day

Tuesday 2nd September - School Opens for HT1

Friday 19th September - Year 4 Bikeability

Thursday 2nd October & Friday 3rd October - Year 5 Bikeability



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