



Ash, Cartwright & Kelsey Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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Friday 10th February 2023

Newsletter Term 3 Week 6

Dear Parents/Carers

We have really enjoyed promoting Children's Mental Health Week in school this week. EYFS explored the story of 'The Colour Monster'. The children made their own colour monsters and made books about feelings. They also set a colour challenge to see how many objects they could find of each colour. They counted and recorded their findings together. Hawks have been looking at a poem about a Roman Charioteer. In literacy, they discussed their personal thoughts and interpretations of the poem - thinking about how the charioteer felt when he was waiting to start the race, what was his mental wellbeing like and putting themselves in his shoes (how would they feel in that situation?) Year 5 completed a task master challenge to make a self-portrait using natural materials in under 2 minutes. Some of the year 6 pupils chose to make a jar of positivity for lunchtime – the children wrote positive notes for other children in school to pick from the jar and read. Without fail, everyone who picked one smiled as they read it!

Year 2 enjoyed their visit to Ash Library on Tuesday. They were read a story by Heidi the librarian and are looking forward to getting their library cards. We are lucky to have such great resources in our village.

Dress to Express day today was a colourful affair. Our children are a creative bunch; we had footballers, dinosaurs, superheroes, aliens and princesses. Luckily they all got along and managed to connect with each other. We will end the week with our celebration assembly and the NELFT well-being team will come and introduce themselves to the children. They will be on the gate with me after school so please come and say hello.

Best wishes and have a lovely half term break

Fiona Crascall
Headteacher



Birthdays to celebrate

Eagles

Lina

Happy birthday to Ms Duggan!



School starters



If you have, or know somebody who has a child who will start school next year, please ring the school office to arrange an individual look around with me. Apply online at: kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions Closed on Monday 16 January 2023 so late admissions still an option.

More Important News

Maternity Leave Cover

We have good news regarding Mrs Harney's maternity cover. The school Mr Churchill is currently working at has managed to find a replacement teacher for term 4 meaning that he will be able to start with us after half term. This will provide consistency for our Owls up until the end of the academic year. He came in on Wednesday to meet his class again and plan for next term. I know you will all make Mr Churchill feel very welcome and he is really looking forward to joining our team Thank you for your support.

PTFA update

Quiz Night!

TABLES GOING FAST! RESERVE YOUR TABLE NOW!

Hopefully you have all received your letters with booking form inviting you to our PTFA Quiz Night. We are very excited to be hosting this at the school on Saturday 4th March at 7.30pm for a prompt 8pm start. It is £5 per person and teams can have up to 8 people. We really hope that you can join us, it promises to be a really fun night out!

Amazon Smile – ENDING 20th FEBRUARY.

****LAST CHANCE!**** We are looking into some of the alternatives that Amazon is offering but, until the scheme ends on the 20th February, we can still benefit from any purchases you make. So, if you are doing any shopping via Amazon please continue to support your PTFA by choosing Ash Cartwright and Kelsey as your charity with Amazon Smile (www.smile.amazon.co.uk).

Re-gifting

Donated gifts are used throughout the year for raffle prizes, tombola and other events. Have a look this half term and see what is still sitting around from Christmas, that smelliest set that isn't quiet to your taste or the bottle of questionable liquor your probably never going to drink. Please leave any donations on the table outside the office and we will be sure to reuse.

Tuck Shop & Other News

Love Heart biscuit sale after school today. 50p each to take us into half term

No tuck shop first week back after half term.

The PTFA have created a pinned post on the School Facebook page that contains dates for upcoming PTFA events. We will update this regularly so you have easy access to the latest information and can get those dates in your diary asap!

Bread bags

Don't bin them, bring them!!

If your children or anything like ours I'm sure you got through several loaves of bread, packed of crumpets, rolls, muffin each week. Before you throw those plastic wrappers in the bin, think of you PTFA! Recycle them at the school! Every kilogram we recycle is money back into the school

About the PTFA

The PTFA is an integral part of the school community made up of parents, teachers and friends of the school. All parents & carers are automatically members. We are charity reg. number 1042205. Read more on the school website <https://www.ashckschool.org/about-us/ptfa>

All money raised goes straight back into the school to benefit the children.

Thank you for your continued support!



EYFS	Thomas for his fantastic colour monster book.
Year 1 Robins	Harley for always getting involved in class discussions and wonderful manners!
Year 2 Magpies	Jess for working sensibly and independently in class and producing some fantastic homework.
Year 3 Owls	Lexi for being an amazing and valued member of our class.
Year 4 Hawks	Eli for his outstanding homework this week. Eli pretended to be a Roman gladiator and wrote a detailed and beautifully punctuated recount of one of his battles. Fantastic upskilling of your literacy work! Well done!
Year 5 Eagles	Juno for showing an excellent effort in Maths and sharing her great knowledge of Norse Mythology.
Year 6 Falcons	Ralph for persevering and working hard in all areas of learning- you have really shown incredible resilience and determination all week and we are very proud of you, well done!

Attendance Award

Week Ending 10/02/2023	Magpies/Hawks classes	96.36%
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Dates for your diary

20.2.2023	Children back in school for term 4
22.02.2023	Start of Lent and our 40 Acts of Kindness project
02.3.2023	World Book Day – pyjama/teddy and favourite book day. Pre-loved book sale in school.
04.3.2023	PTFA Quiz Night in hall
13.3.2023	Science week in school – theme is 'Connections' - more details to follow
15.3.2023	Astrodome in school
20.3.2023	Diversity week in school – more details to follow
30.3.2023	i-rock concert in school for children working with Phil – 9.30 in the school hall
31.3.2022	Easter Service at the Church – (year 6 parents welcome) at 1.30pm and end of term 4

