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RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY CREATIVITY KINDNESS ASPIRATION EQUALITY

Diary Dates

- 29 November 2024 - Pyjama Day and Christmas Craft morning
- 4 December 2024 - Pants for Christmas
- 5 December 2024 - Christmas Fair
- 11 December 2024 - Christmas Pantomime
- 12 December 2024 - Christmas Performance
- 13 December 2024 - Christmas Performance
- 19 December 2024 - Christmas Jumper Day
- 19 December 2024 - Christmas Dinner
- 20 December 2024 - Last Day of Term
- 6 January 2025 - Return to school

Good afternoon,

What a wonderful, busy time we have had at Ashbrook Junior School this week.

We finished our week by holding our annual Ashbrook's Got Talent final and our children certainly do have lots of talent. All our performers were brilliant and we would like to thank parents and carers for coming along to support our children. The show was a great success.

As we are getting ever closer to the Christmas period, we are very busy in school, working behind the scenes organising all the fun events that we have planned.

Please take a careful read of the newsletter as events are listed throughout and we would like as many children and families to be able to take part.

Children in Need

A huge "Thank you" to everyone who came into school in Pudsey clothing, non-uniform or fancy dress. Everyone looked brilliant.

Thank you for your donation, for such a worthy charity, as a school we managed to raise a massive £114.69.

All the money raised will be donated to Children in Need.



Pyjama Day and Christmas Crafts

We would like to invite all parents/carers to join us for our annual event on Friday 29 November 2024. The hall will be open from 8:40am-9:10am where warm refreshments will be available. Donations of cakes, mince pies would be very welcomed to support this event.

From 9:10am-10:45am you can join your child in their classroom to make Christmas crafts that will be available to purchase at our Christmas Fair on Thursday 5 December 2024.

Children, staff and parents/carers (attending the craft morning) can come into school in their pyjamas or onesies. A small donation of either £1, tombola items or chocolate/sweets would be very gratefully received to go towards our Christmas Fair.

### Attendance Award

Congratulations to **Lewis class** who have achieved the highest attendance for the week ending 22 November 2024.



### Christmas Fair Preparations

We are currently in the planning phase for the fast-approaching Ashbrook Juniors Christmas Fair, which will be taking place on Thursday 5 December 2024. Further details regarding the arrangements will be shared closer to the time.

We would be extremely grateful to receive the following donations, that will help go towards this fundraising event;

Year 3/4 to donate chocolate/sweets to go towards a chocolate/sweet tombola

Year 5/6 to donate bottles of any kind i.e. tomato sauce, bubble bath, shower gel, washing up liquid, water, wine!! So that we can run a bottle tombola.

Thank you for your support.

### Ockash Christmas Toy Market

The Ockash Trust are holding their annual Christmas toy market on Saturday 30 November 2024 in the Borrowash Methodist Church from 10am till 2pm and are looking for donations for their charity stall.

If anyone has and children's toys, books and games please email [ockash.trust@gmail.com](mailto:ockash.trust@gmail.com) or message their Facebook page to arrange a drop off.

Please pop along and see what bargains are to be had and help such a brilliant charity who we, as a school, work very closely with. This could be the ideal time to start Christmas Shopping.

There will be cakes, games, stalls and keep a look out for Santa.

Our very own Ashbrook Junior School Choir will also be attending singing Christmas Carols and songs to get you in the Christmas spirit.



**Ockash**  
TRUST

### Pants for Christmas

We will be having a non-uniform day on Wednesday 4 December 2024, this will be to continue our support for Sharewear and helping families across our region who, without your help, would be living in clothing poverty.

On Wednesday 4 December 2024 we are requesting that children come to school in non-uniform with a donation of a pack of new pants for boys, girls or adults as Sharewear desperately need new underwear for their clients. Any purchases from any supermarkets etc will be very much appreciated. Alternatively, donations of £1 can be brought to school and we will use the funds to purchase underwear for Sharewear.

Again, thank you for your continued support.



### Poppy Appeal



Thank you to everyone who purchased an item from the Poppy Appeal merchandise box.

As a school we raised £71.00.

As a District a total of £33,339.29 was raised in total.

### Scooters and Bikes

Could we kindly ask you to remind children that if they do come to school on their scooters or bikes, that they dismount them at the top gate and walk down the paths pushing their scooters or bikes.

Thank you for your co-operation.

### PE Kits

Please can you make sure that your child has their PE Kit in school for the days that their class has PE.

Children are able to leave their PE Kit in school all week and bring it home on a Friday.



## ATTENDANCE WEEK 18 to 22 NOVEMBER 2024

Our attendance week took place this week and, despite the snow, **149** children achieved 100% attendance for the week.

Over 1,640 tickets have been entered into the school prize draw.

Winners will be announced on Monday 25 November 2024.

There's still time to enter your posters for our Attendance Poster competition.

**ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW**

# LUNCHTIME

TRADITIONAL

Week 1

Autumn Winter  
2024-25:  
2/9, 23/9, 14/10,  
4/11, 25/11,  
16/12, 6/1, 27/1

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

	<b>THE MAIN EVENT</b> Circus Tent	<b>MEAT-FREE MAGIC</b> Pumpkin Veggie Dish	<b>RAINBOW ALLEY</b> Rainbow Archway Vegetables and Salads	<b>BIG TOPPING</b> Big Top Tiled Jacket	<b>DESSERT TROLLEY</b> Train
MONDAY	Margherita Pizza Slice and Wedges	Veggie Pepper and Sweetcorn Pizza Slice with Wedges	Sweetcorn	Cheese or Beans	Toffee Frozen Yoghurt
TUESDAY	BBQ Cheesy Chicken	Butterbean Ratatouille	Apple Slaw and Wholegrain Rice	Cheese or Beans	Sweet Potato Brownie
WEDNESDAY	Roast Gammon, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Quorn Sausage, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Peas and Carrots	Cheese or Beans	Forest Fruits Jelly Pots
THURSDAY	Lasagne	Vegetable Lasagne	Green Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cookie Dough Apple Crumble
FRIDAY	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips	Veggie Burger and Chips	Baked Beans	Cheese or Beans	Jammy Thumbprint Biscuits

DAILY SALAD BOWL, FRESHLY BAKED BREAD, YOGHURTS AND CUT FRUIT  
AVAILABLE DAILY

**PASTA TWIRLER**  
AVAILABLE EVERY DAY  
Topped Pasta  
Hot Pasta topped with Homemade Tomato Sauce and Cheese

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# COMFORT & JOY

Discover SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE this CHRISTMAS

There's so much happening at your local CofE churches in both Ockbrook and Borrowwash this Christmas.

Visit [oandbparish.com/christmas2024](http://oandbparish.com/christmas2024) for full details.

## Christingle treats

All Saints', Ockbrook, December 1st, 11am  
St Stephen's Borrowwash, Christmas Eve, 3pm & 6pm

## Blue Christmas Service

A peaceful service for those who are experiencing sadness for whatever reason  
All Saints', Ockbrook, December 8th, 4pm

## Christmas Café

All Saints', Ockbrook, December 14th, 2-4pm  
Meet Santa too!

## Carols by Candlelight

All Saints', Ockbrook, December 15th, 6pm

## Christmas Day Celebration

All Saints', Ockbrook, Christmas Day, 10am

